

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)

State serial No. of proposal: -284/ED/T

7. Location of the project/Scheme:

(i) State/Union Territory

Sikkim.

(ii) District.

East.

(iii) Forest Division.

Gangtok Territorial Division.

(iv) Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in ha.)

83801 ha (5.7179 ha wildlife Sanctuary + 2.6622 ha Khasmal)

(v) Legal status of forest.

Khasmal Forest & Wildlife Sanctuary

(vi) Density of vegetation.

0.2

(vii) Species-wise (scientific names) and diameter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation/hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 meter & FRL- 4 meter also to be enclosed.)

Enclosed.

(viii) Brief note on vulnerability of the forest area to erosion.

Being hilly terrain, the problem of soil erosion to some extent cannot be Ignored.

(ix) Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest.

0.00km.

(x) Whether forms part of National Park, Wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc. (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed).

Form the parts of wildlife Sanctuary.

(xi) Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area-if so details thereof.

The sanctuary is very rich in both flora and fauna population. The sanctuary is home to the Himalayan Black Bear.

(xii) Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/ Defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required.

There is no any protected archaeological/heritage sites in the periphery of the project areas.

8. Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined.

Requirement of forest land for the purpose is unavoidable and barest minimum.

9. Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No.). If yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress.

No

10. Details of compensatory afforestation scheme:

a. Details of non-forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch.

Enclosed.

b. Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries.

Enclosed.

c. Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted, implementing agency, time schedule, cost structure, etc.

Enclosed.

d. Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme.

Rs. 3937313/- (Thirtynine lakhs thirty seven thousand three hundred thirteen) only.

e. Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view. (To be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests).

Enclosed.

11. Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting Facts asked in col.7 (xi, xii), 8 and 9 above.

Report enclosed.

12. Division/District profile:

a. Geographical area of the district.
95400ha.

b. Forest area of the district.
61051ha.

c. Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases.
132nos.

Area: 993.33ha.

d. Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on

i. Forest land including Penal Compensatory Afforestation,
1565.77ha.

ii. Non-forest land.
0.00ha.

e. Progress of compensatory afforestation as on **31/3/13.**

(a) Forest Land - **746.42ha**

(b) Non-forest land - **0.00ha**

13. Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons.

Diversion of 8.3801 ha(5.7179 ha Wildlife sanctuary + 2.6622 ha Khasmal) of forest land for laying of 132KV D/C Dikchupool to Perbing TL under Comprehensive Scheme for Strengthening of Transmission & Distribution System in Sikkim in Gangtok, Government of Sikkim is recommended for Forest Clearance under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

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