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To

The Divisional Forest Officer,
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Memo No.:- 4726

Dated:- 4/6/2021

Subject:

Proposal for Diversion of 3.98 Ha of Forest Land for widening & strengthening of Panchkula Sec-32 to Morni RD km.0.00 to 17.700 in Distt. Panchkula (Wildlife Area) MDR -118 - Reg.

Ref:-

Your office memo No.467 dated 3/6/2021.

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As desired vide letter quoted under reference, the pointwise reply to the observations is given as under:-

- 1) That the road from Panchkula Sector-32 to Morni from km.0.00 to 17.700 having existing metalled width of 5.50 mtr. & formation width of 12.00 Mtr. Being the only hill station, The development of the region is to be done has been announced by the Hon'ble Chief Minister Haryana and various projects are in pipeline for the same and develop Morni area as Tourism Hub in the state of Haryana. This will result in :-
 - The existing Road Network will be put under increasing pressure over the next 10 years
 - The number of vehicular trips around the destination spot i.e Morni will increase anonymously as compared to the current traffic movement.
 - Since the present roads are designed for the load upto 5MSA (Million Stanard Axle) There will be a demand of higher Axle load capacity/ specification of roads upto 15 MSA to cater the need of the increased traffic movement.
 - There will be a need of widened/strengthened roads as existing road of lesser carriageway and thickness will lead to Congestion and impede the efficient flow of traffic.
 - Enable future opportunities for improved connectivity in the Morni Area turning into an economic an financial power house.

Also for betterment of the youth of surrounding area of Morni hills, the construction work of various important Govt. buildings Morni etc. are either in progress or in pipeline. Besides above, a proposal for development of new residential sector at Morni is also under consideration with Haryana Shehri Vikas Pradhikaran. Therefore, the case for diversion of 3.98 Ha of Forest land for widening and strengthening of subject cited road is proposed for approval of Forest Authorities.

2) That there is a tendency in PWD Department that budget is allocated from higher authorities road ID wise and so is the reason to prepare the proposal in 5 parts in accordance with road IDs .As there is a network of roads containing different roads names and lengths with different ID's it is not possible to club all these into a single project. Therefore separate proposals for each road length have been made so that the funds allocated by higher authorities could be utilized effectively and efficiently per road ID wise.

3) That as per directions, a joint inspection has again been carried out to exercise the tree enumeration. After the exercise the outcome is as follows :-

Name of proposal				V	IV	III	IIA	IIB
	Sr. No.	Scientific Name	Local Name	(31-90) CM	(61-90) CM	(91-120) Cm	(121-150) cm	(>150)cm
Diversion of 3.98 Ha of Forest Land for widening & strengthening of Panchkula Sector 32 to Morni RD Km.0 to 17.70 in Distt.Panchkula (Wild Life Area) (MDR-118)	1	Others	Khair	134	150	38	1	0
	2	Tectona Grandis	Sagwan	163	32	6	0	0
	3	Others	Kikar	1	2	6	3	3
	4	Eucalyptus	Safeda	1	6	5	4	6
	5	Misc Species	Amaltas, Chaal, beri etc.	773	482	137	41	12
			TOTAL	1072	672	192	49	21
	Sub Total (No.of Trees)			2006				

Class	V	IV	III	IIA	IIB	G.Total
G.Total	1072	672	192	49	21	2006

4) For maintaining the better eco system:-

- ✓ The project has been designed to minimise the project footprint and maximise the use of land already disturbed or already being used for road infrastructure.
- ✓ Preventive measures will be taken by PWD Department to protect the forest land from land slide and erosion by constructing breast walls, retaining structures & water recharging system etc.
- ✓ Where possible, steps would be taken to conserve/preserve the natural and artificial resources.
- ✓ Government-owned land has been used wherever possible to minimize the impact on wildlife and forest land. The need to reduce these impacts has been balanced with maximising opportunities for beneficial re-use of the areas required for construction that is already available with the PWD.
- ✓ No threatened flora or fauna is likely to be significantly affected by the project.
- ✓ Care shall be taken to minimise impacts to the surrounding natural and built environments, and to minimise disruption to existing ecosystem.

The merits of Widening of the above said road in public interest shall be considered in the context of a range of other strategic alternatives, based on the extent to which they could meet the objectives of transport, environmental, social and economic factors of the area.

This is for kind information and favour of further necessary action please.

DA/As above.

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Panchkula

Endst. No.:- 4727

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Copy of above is forwarded to the Sub Divisional Engineer, Provl. Sub Divn. No.I, Panchkula for information & immediate necessary action. He is directed to pursue the matter with forest authorities at personal level and compliance be reported promptly.

DA/Nil

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