



GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY
GANGTOK - 737101

No. 66/CS/GOS/2021

Date 26/03/ 2021.

Diversion of 5.0112 Ha of forest land for construction of rongli Roleph Section of NH-717 B in East Sikkim District by NHIDCL.

Certificate for Non-availability of Non-Forest Land for Compensatory Afforestation.

I, S.C Gupta, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Sikkim, do hereby certify that:

- (i) I have obtained from each District Collector and Divisional Forest Officer in the State of Sikkim, a joint certificate to the effect that non-forest land, revenue lands, *zudpi jungle, chhote jhar ka jungle, bade jhar ka jungle, jungle-jhari land, civil-soyam lands* and all other such categories of forest lands (except the forest land under management and administrative control of the Forest Department) on which the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are applicable, which as per the extant guidelines of the Central Government may be utilized for creation of compensatory afforestation in lieu of forest land diverted for non-forest purpose, are not available in the area under the respective jurisdiction; and
- (ii) I have also examined all other relevant records.

On the basis of afore-mentioned joint certificates and examination of all other relevant records, I do hereby certify that non-forest land, revenue lands, *zudpi jungle, chhote jhar ka jungle, bade jhar ka jungle, jungle-jhari land, civil-soyam lands* and all other such categories of forest lands (except the forest land under management and administrative control of the Forest Department) on which the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are applicable, which as per the extant guidelines of the Central Government may be utilized for creation of compensatory afforestation in lieu of forest land diverted for non-forest purpose, are not available in the entire State of Sikkim.

Issued under by hand and seal on this.....26th..... Day of March 2021


(S.C Gupta, IAS)
Chief Secretary
Govt of Sikkim