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Office of Tehsildar Kupvi, Distt Shimla HP

Dated -05th Day of July . 2022

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Forest Division Chopal H.P.


Sub:- Diversion of 0.2803 ha of forest land in favor of Revenue Department, Directorate of Land records Shimla, HP, for the construction of Tehsil Office building at Kupvi, within the jurisdiction of Chopal Forest Division Distt. Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. (Online No. FP/HP/Others/145487/2022).

Sir,

On the subject cited above it, is submitted that the EDS raised by your department has been attended to as per the below-mentioned detail:-

Sr. No.	Observations	Reply
1.	The extant proposal is a non-site-specific project. As per Para 1.15 of FCA guidelines as well as recent directions from the MoEFCC letter dated 24.01.2022 has categorically instructed that non-site specific activities cannot be considered on forest land as a rule. Therefore, the State Government may explore non-forest land for this project.	In Himachal Pradesh, Land Holding is very less and land acquisition is not possible. Also, private land is very less around the proposed site and the patch of forest land identified for the said project is most suitable.
2.	Since this is a non-site specific project, the State Government may scrutinize the alternatives in more detail and must give complete justification establishing its inescapability for locating the project in the forest area. Further, explored alternatives showing details of tree enumeration, area, etc. may be provided and all alternates explored are required to be marked on the KML file.	The forest area identified for the said project is most feasible, as the said land in the market area is a center point for the people of Kupvi and cannot be escaped as other alternatives explored are not suitable and far away from the approach of the market.
3.	From the KML file and layout plan it is not clear how the building will be accessed from the nearby road. If a road is already present accessing the proposed building from the nearby	The proposed site comprises land khasra no. 131 measuring 00-28-03 hectare will be accessible through nearby road comprising khasra no. 132 measuring 00-01-58 hectare which is recorded in ownership of Govt. of Himachal Pradesh and in possession of public

	main road, the status of the same may be provided.	works department, Govt. of Himachal Pradesh as per missal hakiyat/ jamabandi of mohal Hida khas for the year 2011-12(Annex-I).
4.	Boundary of the proposed diversion shown in the Layout Plan is not matching with the boundary shown in the KML file. Further, the boundary of the diversion area shall be exactly the same shape as shown in the layout plan. Needful may be done regarding the same.	Revised kml has been uploaded in MoEF Portal.
5.	From the KML file, it is observed that some permanent structure is present inside the boundary of the proposed diversion. The State Government may clarify about this structure.	Revised KML file has been uploaded to the MoEF portal.
6.	From the layout plan, it is observed that a large portion of the diversion area has been kept as a setback area which must be reduced. The revised layout plan may be uploaded.	Needful has been done.
7.	It has been observed in the KML file that the proposed building can be realigned to reduce the number of trees to be felled. Further, the possibility of reducing the number of trees to be affected may be explored.	As most of the trees are located around the mid point of the proposed land khasra number 131, exploring alternates to reduce the number of trees to be felled is not possible as enough space or land will not be available for the said purpose for which the diversion is requested.
8.	From DSS analysis, it is observed that the aerial distance of the diversion area is 7.64 Km from Churdhar WLS. However, as per the certificate provided the aerial distance of the project site from the proposed ESZ of Churdhar WLS is mentioned as 10 Km. The State Government may review and rectify the same.	Pertain to DFO.
9.	Beneficiary villages are required to be marked on the KML file.	It is certified that a population of 19433 as per census 2011 of 15 panchayats under the jurisdiction of tehsil kupvi will be benefited directly and indirectly.

  
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