

GOVT. DEGREE COLLEGE, PANARSA DISTRICT MANDI H.P. -175121

No. EDN-GC-PNS(FCA)/2015-----

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Dated: 6th July, 2023

Land Line No.: 01905-293709

Subject:- Diversion of 2.42 ha. Of forest land in favour of Director of Higher Education for construction of Govt. Degree College, Panarsa(Phase-I) Tehsil Aut, within the jurisdiction of Mandi Forest Division, Distt. Mandi (HP)(Online Proposal No. **FP/HP/Others/44950/2020**, Dated 02.02.2023.

Query No. 1	Comments on the query.
The extent of project is a Non-site specific Activity as per para 1.15 of FCA, 1980 guidelines as well as as recent directions of MoEF&CC, New Delhi vide letter dated 24.01.2022.	<p>Ref. No. FC/HPB/39/2023/4651032023 Dated: 15/06/2023</p> <p>In response to your office query No.1 it is submitted that this college is situated on NH-21, midway between Mandi and Kullu town on the bank of river Beas. Presently Faculties of Arts and Commerce is being run in highly inadequate make shift accommodation provided by the GSSS Panarsa, Distt. Mandi. The main objective of this project is to give an opportunity of higher education to the natives of this rural area in accordance with the policy of Govt. of Himachal Pradesh as well as to achieve the target of thirty percent enrolment in higher Education as envisaged under Rashtriya Uchhtar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA). With the construction of building of GDC Panarsa, Distt. Mandi new courses and subjects can be introduced namely Science Stream and skill based and professional courses like B. Voc. And BBA.</p> <p>Himachal Pradesh is a Hill State, it is not possible to commute daily. Youth of this area were at disadvantage as nearly colleges of Kullu, Bajnar and Mandi are located at a distance of 25, 33 and 45 KM respectively.</p> <p>Establishment and expansion of an institution of higher learning will immediately benefit about 15000 residents of surrounding Gram Panchayats and much future generation to come.</p> <p>Selection of this location has also been justified by the fact the in the very first academic session of site for college campus, the Revenue Officials categorically stated that there is no suitable Non- Forest Land Available in Panarsa and surrounding to the Panarsa Panahcyat, as such present land has been selected keeping in view the welfare of society.</p> <p>As far as Para 1.15 of FCA, 1980 guidelines and recent directions of MoEF&CC letter dated. 24.01.2022 is concerned, it is hereby submitted that college will not construct residential campus in said selected Forest Land.</p> <p>Keeping in view the facts and circumstances stated above, it is requested that present piece of Land measuring 2.42 ha. May kindly be considered for construction of Building of Govt. Degree College, Panarsa, Distt. Mandi (HP) in larger interest of natives of surrounding rural area</p>

Yours faithfully,

Principal
Govt. Degree College,
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Panarsa (Mandi)