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FORM – II
(for projects other than linear projects)
Government of Meghalaya
Office of the Deputy Commissioner East Khasi Hills, District.

No.L.14/5 (19)2014/103

Dated 20th Sept/2016.

TO WHOSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF), Government of India's letter No.11-9/98-FC (pt) dated 3rd August 2009 wherein the MOEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 ('FRA', for short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes, it is certified that 0.07 hectares of forest land Laitkor Protected Forest C/4 proposed to be diverted in favour of the Dorbar Shnong, Lumpyngad for construction of Community Hall in East Khasi Hills District falls within the jurisdiction of Lumpyngad Village.

It is further certified that:

- (a) The proposal for such diversion have been places before each concerned Village body / Gram Sabha of Forest Dwellers who are eligible under the FRA.
- (b) The minutes of the meeting held with Village Body and Consent certificate is enclosed as Annexure I & II
- (c) It is certified that there are no Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers residing in the proposed 0.07 hectares of Forest Land.
- (d) The discussion and decisions on such proposals had taken place only when there was a quorum of minimum 50 % of the members of Village body/Gram Sabha present.
- (e) It is certified that the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Right) Act, 2006 is not applicable for the proposed diversion of 0.07 hectares of Forest Land laikor Protected Forest C/4 in favour of Dorbar Shnong, Lumpyngad.

Enclosed: As above.

Signature,

(SHRI.P.S. DKHAR, IAS),
Deputy Commissioner,
East Khasi Hills District,
Shillong.



Minutes of the Meeting of District Level Committee held on 23.08.2016 in the Office Chamber of the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District for identification and settlement of rights under Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Rights) Act, 2006 on the Forest land for 6 (six) proposals seeking approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in East Khasi Hills District.

Members Present – Annexure –I.

1. The meeting was chaired by Shri. P.S. Dkhar IAS Deputy Commissioner and Chairman of the District level Committee who welcomed all the members present.
2. Dr. C. Manjunatha, IFS DFO, Khasi Hills (T) Division and Member Secretary of the Committee placed 6 (six) projects before Committee.
 - i) Diversion of 0.269 ha of forest land construction of RCC Reservoir for Drinking Water Supply by PHE Department. This proposal involves construction of 4 (four) R.C.C Reservoirs in Government Protected Forests namely: Short Round Protected Forest C/7, Laitkor Protected Forest C/3 & C/4 and Upper Shillong Protected Forest C/9 falling under different Village Dorbars namely: Mawlai Mawroh, Laitkor Nongdaneng, Lumdiengsoh and 4 mile Upper Shillong.
 - ii) Diversion of 0.01 ha of forest land at Laitkor Protected Forest for of construction of Community Hall by Lower Lumparing Dorbar Shnong.
 - iii) Diversion of 0.006 ha of forest land at Short Round Protected Forest near F.C.I for construction of Public Toilet by Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District.
 - iv) Diversion of 0.07 ha of forest land at Laitkor Protected Forest for construction of Community Hall by Dorbar Shnong of Lumpyangad.
 - v) Diversion of 0.12 ha of forest land at Upper Shillong Protected Forest for construction of Counselling Centre by Chairman, Church of God.
 - vi) Diversion of 0.006 ha of forest land at Upper Shillong Protected Forest near Mattilang Park for construction of Washrooms by the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District.
3. The Member Secretary informed that Grama Sabha / village body meeting for the above projects were held to identify rights on proposed forest land for diversion.
4. The Member Secretary presented Minute of the Meetings and Consent Certificates issued by respective village body.
5. The Member Secretary inform the Committee that Grama Sabha / village body of Laitkor refuses to give its consent inspite several effort made by the Range Forest Officer, i/c Shillong South Range and Member Secretary, Sub-Divisional Level Committee even though there are no Forest Dwellers on proposed site.
6. The Member Secretary inform that since there are no Forest Dwellers on proposed project site at Sl no. i) at Laitkor Nongdaneng, the District Level Committee is requested to approve the said project.
7. On perusal of the Minutes and Consent Certificate it was found that there are no forest dwellers and Scheduled Tribes residing in the said projects.
8. Since, there are no Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers on all the proposed forest land for diversion, hence Forest Right Act, 2006 is not applicable.
9. The members unanimously resolved to approve the 6(six) projects as none have forest dwellers.