BRIEF NOTE ABOUT THE PROPOSAL /PROJECT

NAME OF PROJECT:

A proposal for the renewal of the already diverted forest land for the mining purpose (Extraction of Slates) in Mauza Gehra, Chamba forest Division, Tehsil & District Chamba H.P.

The present proposal is for renewal of mining lease already approved under Forest Conservation Act. 1980 on 28.05.2013 The approval of five years granted earlier is coming to an end. Hence this proposal has been formulated for renewal of this mining lease for another five years.

The project involves 1.3920 Ha. of forest land our of which 0.8 Ha. will be used for extraction of slates, 0.1920 Ha. for stocking of extracted material and 0.4 Ha. for dumping of debris. The forest land involved falls within the jurisdiction of Chamba Forest Division.

Chamba District is known for the availability of natural slates Stone and its quality is also very good. It is a backward and tribal district of the State.

The people are very poor. The land holding in the villages are very less.

The agriculture is totally rain fed. People are mainly dependent for their livelihood on rearing livestock in the area.

The adequate employment opportunity in the Govt.& agriculture sector is not available to the public. The proposed activity shall provide livelihood to local people at their door steps and ameliorate the poor economy of the area. The employment and job opportunities shall also be available in the transport, trade & marketing sectors. The natural precipitation in the form of rain and snow is quite heavy and slates are oftenly used by the villagers for roofing purpose and other types of roofs do not stand against the vagaries of the nature. All the population living in the outer Himalayas and Shivalik zones of H.P. and adjoining states only use slate roofs for the construction of their houses. Thus slates extracted from this site will meet the local demand of this material in the adjoining areas.

This project is providing employment of 18000 man days annually.

The debris generated from the mining operations will be dumped in the designated dumping area. The mining will be done as per the approved mining plan from the State Geologist.

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