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To.

The Secretary, Sports & Youth Affairs Department Government of Sikkim, Gangtok

Sub: Diversion of 0.2140 Ha of forest land for construction of Play Ground and RCC Gallery at Govt. Sec.

School Aritar East Sikkim by Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt. of Sikkim - Final Approval reg.

Sir.

In continuation to this office's letter No. 1911/FCA/F&ED/96-99 dated 11.01.2021 and after careful examination of the aforesaid proposal on the basis of compliance of conditions fulfilled by the user agency in completeness as stipulated in the Stage-I (In-Principle) approval, the State Govt. hereby accords the Stage-II (Final Approval) for diversion of 0.2140 Ha of forest land for construction of Play Ground and RCC Gallery at Govt. Sec. School Aritar East Sikkim by Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt. of Sikkim in terms of power delegated under the General approval conveyed by the Ministry of Env. Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 and subsequent Guidelines, communicated by Ministry in its Letter vide No.11-9/98 FC, dated 03/01/2005 and subsequently under Chapter 4 para 4.3 clause a. 'Schools/Educational Institutions" of Forest (Conservation) Rules 2003 and the recent letter No. FC-11/160/2019-FC dated 23rd June, 2021 from the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi, conveying the extension of date of General Approval for use of forest land for non-forestry purpose under Section-2 of Forest Conservation) Act, 1980 where the State/UTs have accorded 'In-Principle'/State-I approval prior to expiry of validity of General Approval in this respect, subject to following conditions:

- 1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2. The compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained over double the degraded forest land i.e. 0.428 Ha degraded forest land identified at Sudonglakha RF, Rongli (T) Range, East Division as per the fund deposited by the User Agency.
- 3. User Agency shall demarcate the project area as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- 4. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- 5. The User Agency shall ensure compliance of all the Court orders, provisions, rules, regulations and guidelines for the time being in force as applicable to the project.
- 6. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- 7. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Central Government.
- 8. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F. No. 1142/2017-FC dt 29/01/2018.
- Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife. The State Government shall ensure compliance of all the above conditions.

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Therefore, you are requested to advise your concerned officer to take over the possession of the diverted forest land from DFO (T) East Divisions and submit a copy of report to the undersigned for record. All the all ve conditions may be complied with the execution of the project duly considering the essentiality of forest conservation is concerned.

This is issued with the approval of the State Govt.

Yours faithfully,

ADDITIONAL PCCF FOREST & ENV DEPTT.

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CF (Territorial) Gangtok.

DFO (East Territorial Div.)

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For information, please.

For information with a GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM handing/taking of diverted formation handing/taking of diverted forest land as per the prescribed format attached herewith.

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