SITE INSPECTION REPORT OF DFO TERRITORIAL, EAST DIVISION GANGTOK

Site Inspection Report for proposal for the diversion of 0.081ha of Forest land for construction of road from Bhusuk to Shotalakha in East District of Sikkim by Roads & Bridges Department, Government of Sikkim.

- 1. Legal Status of Forest Land proposed for diversion:-Khasmal Bhir plot no.17/A & 17/B
- 2. Item wise break-up details of forest land proposed for diversion:- **Details:**-
 - 1. Road -49.201mx16.463m = 0.081ha
- 3. Total Cost of Project at present rates. Rs.2,85,72,000.00
- 4. Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view:Does not forms the parts of any National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere
 Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor etc.
- 5. Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest.

 Within Khasmal Bhir.
- Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area if so details thereof.

Not reported from the area.

- 7. Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/Defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required.
 - There is no any protected archaeological/heritage sites in the periphery of the project areas.
- 8. Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined.

Requirement of forest land for the purpose is unavoidable and barest minimum.

9. Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out.

10. Vegetation:-

The area proposed for diversion consists of vegetation like Bangi (Hovenia dulcia), Uttis (Alnus nepanensis), Bepari (Ostodes paniculamtus), Pareng (Arundinaria spps) and bamboo(Dendroclamus spps) etc. The area will not have impact on the eco system as same shall be mitigated. The necessary care shall be taken up to protect and conserve the Bio-diversity of the area.

- 11. Details of compensatory Avenue Plantation scheme:-Enclosed.
- 12. Crown Density:-

0.3

- 13. Total no. of trees, poles, saplings and bamboo to be felled/re-located:
 - a. 8nos Tree & 1 groove of Bamboo (for removal).
 - b. 79 grooves of Pareng (re-locate).
- 14. Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem:-

The area shall not have any impact on the general ecosystem as the same shall be mitigated by planting valuable species in lieu of diverted forest. Every care will be taken up for restoration of loss of vegetation and other related ecosystem of the area. The minimum felling shall be done as far as possible. The fast growing species shall be planted in order to mitigate the loss.

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