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To All Members Standing Committee of NBWL

Sub: Minutes of 47th Meeting of the Standing Committee of NBWL- reg.

Sir/Madam,

Kindly find enclosed copy of the Minutes of 47th Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife held on 25th January 2018 at 01.00 PM in Teesta Conference Hall, I Floor, Vayu Block, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, New Delhi under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Yours faithfully,

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- (1) PS to Hon'ble MoEF&CC
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- (4) PPS to IGF(WL)/PS to DIG(WL)/PS to JD(WL)

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The User Agency shall construct Masonry pillars to demarcate the proposed project area at every 25 meter interval.

[9] The User Agency shall provide fund for implementing the Wildlife Mitigation Plan as follows:

S.No.	Activity	Amount (Rupees in Lakh)
1	Developing water source by creation of mini percolation tank 2 Nos (@Rs. 1.00 lakh each duly supported by 2 bore wells which are energized by solar power (@5 lakh each per unit)	12.00
2	Planting of dry evergreen bushy species like Caesalpinia, bonduc, Phyllanthus reticulates, Zizyphus oenoplea, etc. all along the line of 12,459.96 m stretch in 2 staggered rows (over the filled up soil of the excavated trench) with 2 x 1 m spacing which will help the small reptiles and birds of Pakhal Wildlife Sanctuary with tentative unit costs is 1 lakh per km.	13.00
3	Developing natural grass land over 40 ha areas by uprooting unwanted weeds and showing native grass and legume seeds @ Rs. 0.15 lakh per ha.	6.00
	Awareness, publicity regarding antiencroachment activities, importance of Wildlife Conservation and ecosystem services.	10.00
5	Miscellaneous and unforeseen expenditure	4.00
	Total	45.00

[10] This amount of Rs. 45.00 lakh meeting the cost of implementing Wildlife Mitigation Plan should be deposited in the BIOSOT Account of Chief Wildlife Warden, Telangana in Andhra Bank, Secretariat Branch, Hyderabad.

After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal along with the conditions and mitigation measures stipulated by the State CWLW.

47.4.1.13 Diversion of 4.500 ha of forestland from Kedarnath Musk Deer WLS for the construction of Triugnarayan - Toshi motor road

The DIGF(WL) briefed the Standing Committee on the proposal and stated that the project involves the diversion of 4.50 ha from the Kedarnath Musk Deer Wildlife Sanctuary for construction of motor road from Triugnarayan to Toshi. This project will improve the existing

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transportation system in the region. He added that the State CWLW has recommended the proposal and mentioned that the proposed project is of public interest.

After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal along with the conditions and mitigation measures stipulated by the CWLW and with the condition that Wildlife Mitigation Plan will be prepared and implemented by the CWLW / State Government at the project cost and standard mitigation measures suggested by the by the WII in its document named "Eco-friendly Measures to Mitigate Impacts on Linear Infrastructures on Wildlife" should be adopted by the user agency in consultation with the CWLW.

- 47.4.1.14 (1) Electrification of Datmer under DDUGY in District Uttarkashi, Block -Mori
 - (2) Electrification of Nuranu under DDUGY in District Uttarkashi, Block -Mori
 - (3) Electrification of Hatwari Estergard under DDUGY in District Uttarkashi, Block Mori
 - (4) Electrification of Sewa under DDUGY in District Uttarkashi, Block Mori
 - (5) Electrification of Gangar, Pawani and Osla under DDUGY in District Uttarkashi, Block Mori

The DIGF(WL) briefed the Standing Committee on the proposals and stated that the proposals involves the cumulative diversion of 6.23 ha of forestland from Govind Pashu Vihar National Park for the electrification of Datmer (of length 1.20 km), Nuranu (of length 2.82 km), from Hatwari - Estergard (of length 2.89 km), Sewa (of length 0.6 km) and from Gangar - Pawani - Osla (of length 1.4 km) under Deen Dayal Upadhyaay Gram Jyoti Scheme. The project would provide electricity to the households and for irrigation purpose in the region. He added that the State CWLW has recommended the proposal without imposing conditions and mentioned that the underground laying of electric lines should be explored as an alternative and more viable option than laying overhead wires. This would reduce felling and looping of trees and reduce the risk of accidental fire, electrocution of wildlife and possible future damage to the cables from falling branches and other reasons. The State CWLW requested the Standing Committee for an overhead laying of cable on tubular steel pole with 1 meter corridor.

After discussions, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal along with the conditions and mitigation measures stipulated by the CWLW with the condition that Wildlife Mitigation Plan will be prepared and implemented by the CWLW / State Government at the project cost and standard mitigation measures suggested by the by the WII in its document

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

TO CONTROL CON

1	Shri Harsh Vardhan	
	Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change	Chairman
2	Shri C K. Mishra, Secretary, MoEF&CC	Member
3	Shri Siddhanta Das, DGF&SS, MoEF&CC	Member
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6	Dr H S Singh, Member, NBWL	Member
7	Shri R D Kamboj, Member, NBWL	Member
8	Shri Debabrata Swain, ADGF, Member Secretary, NTCA	Invitee
9	Shri Nishant Verma, DIGF, NTCA	Invitee
10	Shri S S Bajaj, APCCF(WL), Chhattisoarh	Invitee
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