

**Form -1**  
**(For Linear project)**  
**Government of Uttarakhand**  
**Office of the District Magistrate, Nainital**

No. NIL/2021 Dated 19-08-2021

**TO WHOM SOEVER IT MAY CONCERN**

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and forest (MoEf), Government of India's letter no 11-9/98-FC (pt) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009, Wherein the MoEf issued guidelines on submission of evidence for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of right under the Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of forest Right) Act, 2006 (FRA, for short ) on the forest land proposed to be diverts for non-forest purposes read with MoEfs letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013 wherein MoEf issued certain relaxation in respect of linear project, it is certified that 0.276 Hectares of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of M/s. BSNL, Nainital for Lay of Optical Fiber Cable in Nainital District.

It is further certified that:

- a) The complete process for identification and settlement of right under the FRA is exempted for the entire 0.276 Hectares of forest proposed for diversion in case of linear projects.
- b) The diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3(2) of the FRA is exempted in case of Linear project.
- c) The proposal does not involve recognized rights of primitive Tribal Group and pre agricultural communities.

  
District Magistrate

Nainital

