

## Annexure – I FORM - I

(for linear projects) Government of Sikkim Office of the District Collector, East District, Gangtok

NO 4434/DE/E

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## TO WHOWSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India's letter no.11-9/98-FC (pt.) dated 3/8/2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Schedules Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 ('FRA', for short) on the forestland proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated 5/2/2013 wherein MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that 5.0112 of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of National Highway & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) (name of user agency) for diversion of forest land for diversion 5.0112 ha of Forest land for construction, Rehabilitation and upgrading to 2 lane with paved shoulders configuration of section from Rongli to Roleph (length of project km 20+340 to 37+600 ) section of NH-717B in East District, Government of Sikkim. (Purpose for diversion of forest land) in East district falls within jurisdiction of Rongli to Roleph in Rongli tehsils.

It is further certified that:-

- a. The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the 5.0112 hectare of forest areas proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultations and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee (s), Gram Sabha (s), Sub-Division Level Committee (s) and the District Level Committee are enclosed as annexure ......to......to.....annexure......annexure
- b. The diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3 (2) of the FRA have been completed and the Gram Sabha given their consent to it.

The proposal does not involve recognised rights of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agricultural communities.

Encl:-As above.