

F. No. 9-PBB417/2022-CHA
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,
New Delhi- 110003
Dated:12-10-2025

To,

The Principal Secretary, Forests,
Department of Environment and Forest,
Government of Punjab,
Chandigarh.

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s. R.K. Resort (Marriage Palace) for non-forestry use of 0.0024 ha. of Protected forest land for approach access road to R.K. Resort (Marriage Palace) at Village Khichian on Mukerian to Gurdaspur Road L/s, Tehsil- Mukerian, District- Hoshiarpur in the State of Punjab (Proposal No. FP/PB/Approach/146174/2021)- regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Punjab letter NoFOREST-FCA0FC3D/29/2022-FCA dated 10.08.2022 and letter dated 23.08.2025 forwarding additional information as sought vide Ministry's letter dated 03.01.2025 on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and to say that after examination of the reply submitted by the State Government in the Ministry, the following shortcoming is observed:

- i. As per the reply of the State Government dated 23.08.2025, it is mentioned that there exists a Link Road to the Resort. It is requested that the State Government may clarify the need for diversion of proposed 0.0024 ha when there exists a link road to the institution.
- ii. The legal Status of the link road may also be submitted by the State Government.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit the information/documents, as indicated above, for further consideration of the proposal in the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-
(S. Sundar)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to: -

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Government of Punjab, Chandigarh.
2. The DDGF (Central) Regional Office, Chandigarh of MoEF&CC.
3. The Nodal Officer, Government of Punjab, Chandigarh.
4. The User Agency.
5. The Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading.