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सेवा में,

नोडल अधिकारी-सह-अपर प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक (एफ.सी.ए),
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Sub: Diversion of 17 ha of Forest land for URI I Stage II HE Project under NHPC URI-Istage-II Division J.V, District Baramula, UT of Jammu & Kashmir.

Ref: i) Online proposal bearing on Online Proposal no FP/JK/HYD/144277/2021 received on dated 13-10-2023

Sir,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Jammu & Kashmir on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of 17 Ha of forest land for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. After careful examination of the above-mentioned proposal of the Govt. of J&K, the following information/clarification is still required to be submitted:

(i) UA has uploaded undertaking for Muck dumping site under additional information details S.no 21 and detail of muck dumping sites/Muck management plan in online part-I, but has not specified the designated muck dumping sites in the uploaded KML. Detailed muck disposal plan and designated muck disposal site needs to be uploaded in the Project site KML by UA .

(ii) UA has submitted that a total of 102 ha of land is required for the project among which 85 ha is private land, however UA has not marked the private land in KML file. UA needs to submit the details of private land acquired for project in KML file.

(iii) The Layout plan is not matching with the KML submitted by User agency, the UA may submit the clarification regarding the start of HRT and end of TRT including audits.

(iv) CA scheme is required to be prepared for the NFL @1000 plants per ha and DFO is required to assess the number of existing established trees in the given NFL and balance area left for undertaking plantation in the NFL. The difference of total trees @1000 plants per ha and number of trees already existing in NFL, is required to be planted in DFL (open forest) as per approved working plan of the Division. Hence, KML file, site suitability certificate has to be given for both NFL and DFL. (See provision under para 2.4(vi) and (ix) of Handbook of FC Act 1980 and FC Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and Clarifications), 2019).

(v) Detailed list of proposals approved/ existing/proposed in the river basin area have to be provided along with map, KML files and approved capacity of the river/rivulet.

(vi) To assess the impact of project on wildlife and PAs, holistic assessment should be relied upon instead of project area specific assessment. Therefore, detailed comments on the holistic

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assessment on the impact of the proposed project on wildlife and nearby PA/s may also be provided.

(vii) Details of progressive detail/status of area treated and fund utilized under comprehensive CAT Plan for river basin, where the project is proposed.

3. The compliance to the above may be submitted within **30 days** from the date of issue of this letter failing which the proposal shall be liable to be rejected for want to information.

आपका विश्वासभाजन /Yours faithfully,

हस्ता /Sd/-

(राजा राम सिंह/Raja Ram Singh)

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प्रतिलिपि/Copy to:-

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