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To

The Deputy Director General of Forests (C)
Regional Office, Chandigarh
Chandigarh

Subject: 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 Shri Ravinder Singh for non-forestry use of 0.6926 ha. (instead of 0.5392 ha) of forest land (areas notified under Section 4 & 5 of the PLPA) for construction of a Marriage palace on Mukerian to Talwara road Km 22-23 L/ Side at Village- Sathwan, Tehsil Mukerian, District-Hoshiarpur in the State of Punjab. (FP/PB/Others/31455/2018)- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Government of Punjab's letter No. FOREST-FCA0FC3D/2/2021-FCA dated 02.07.2024 FOREST-FCA0FC3D/2/2021-FCA dated 02.07.2024 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 since instant proposal involved violation, as per Rule 10 (4) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023 the site inspection was carried out by Regional Office, Chandigarh on 24.10.2024 wherein following is observed:

- i. In field observations/Actionable Points/recommendations part of SIR, it is mentioned that the work of violation is still in progress, as the approach access is being used by the user agency for marriage palace.
- ii. In specific recommendation of DDGF (C), Regional Office, Chandigarh it is mentioned that the proposal is for approach access to private property of the User Agency and has been recommended by the State Government, accordingly same is recommended.

In this regard, it is to inform that the instant proposal is for construction of a Marriage palace.

In view of the above, Regional Office, Chandigarh is requested to submit revised site inspection report along with corrected recommendation of DDGF (C), Regional Office, Chandigarh, if any.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-
(S. Sundar)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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