

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, जम्मू / Integrated Regional Office, Jammu



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To,

The CCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FC), Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment Van Bhawan, Below Gumat, Jammu-180001 (ccffcajk1@gmail.com)

Sub: Diversion of 2.28 Ha Forest land for Construction of road from kha to kherian under PWD(R&B) Division Rajouri, District Rajouri, UT of Jammu & Kashmir.

Ref: (i) Online proposal bearing on FP/JK/ROAD/155310/2022 received on dated 03.01.2023 Sir,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Jammu & Kashmir on the abovementioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of **2.28 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) As per details provided online in **Part-II** under Rajouri Forest Division presence of wildlife is mentioned in and around the proposed land for diversion. However as per site inspection report of concerned DFO depicts no presence of wildlife. DFO is required to submit impact mitigation plan for the wildlife species, i.e., **leopard**, **Jackal**, **porcupine**, **wild cock etc.** mentioned at **para 8(I) of part - II** and get vetted by the competent authority in wildlife wing.

(ii) specific recommendation from the DFO's need to be in accordance with the format, part -II at page no 22-23 of Handbook of forest (conservation) act, 1980 & Forest conservation rules ,2003(Guideline and clarification), 2019, MoEF&CC; at **S.no 16 of online part- II.**

(iii) Technical report in Detail project report is distorted and hence, it is not readable, needs to upload clear copy of DPR.

(iv) In **part-I** total forest land proposed for the diversion is **2.28 ha**, however in the Component wise breakup the total forest area for the diversion is reflected as **2.2799975 ha**, which is required to be corrected.

(v) As per DSS Analysis, given GPS coordinates of the **DGPS map** are not correct. Kindly provide the correct latitude and longitude of the DGPS map of project site.

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.

Yours faithfully Sd/-(Raja Ram Singh) DIGF (Central) Regional Officer, IRO Jammu

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