## Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road, New Delhi– 110003 Dated:02-12-2024

To,

## The Principal Secretary (Forests),

Department of Environment and Forests, Government of Himachal Pradesh. Shimla.

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for non-forestry use of 0.7984 ha of forest land in favour of Sh. Vinod Kumar, S/o Swami Ram for extraction of sand, stone and bajri in Son Khad Part-II at Kalswai, Village- Trambla, P.O. Longni, Tehsil Dharampur, District Mandi in the State of Himachal Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/MIN/129370/2021)- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government ofHimachal Pradesh letter No. Ft.HPFD-F05/18/2024-(FCA) dated 30.10.2024 on the above mentioned subject submitting report on compliance of conditions stipulated in 'in-Principle' approval dated 17.09.2024 under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and requested Ministry to accord Stage- II/final approval for diversion of the said forest land. In this regard, it is to inform that, after examination of the compliance report submitted by the State Government, following are observed:

- i. Undertaking in compliance to *condition No. vii* of Stage- I approval submitted by the User Agency is not as per Stage- I approval. Revised and correct undertaking needs to be submitted by the User Agency.
- ii. Further, necessary correction may also be made in the compliance report submitted by User Agency to DFO concerned and revised compliance report may be submitted.

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

Yours faithfully,

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

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Government of Himachal

Pradesh, Shimla.

- The DDGF (Central), Regional Office, Chandigarh of MoEFCC.
  The Nodal Officer, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.