

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

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Dated: 8th March, 2021

To

Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests)
Government of Himachal
Shimla

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 75.3931 ha of forest land for Construction of North Campus Central University Dharamshala, District Kangra State himachal Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/Others/39044/2019)

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of HP letter No. 48-3968/2019(FCA) dated 23.11.2020, regarding subject cited proposal. As per directions contained in this Ministry's letter of even No. dated 23.01.2021, the IRO Shimla vide letter dated 01.03.2021 has submitted the site inspection report(**copy enclosed**). The state government is requested to take necessary action on the observations/ recommendations of the above mentioned report and submit a point-wise reply/compliance to the ministry in this regard.

It is also observed that, the density of forest area proposed for diversion is mentioned as 0.1(Eco Class-5) in the Part-II of the proposal, whereas 22 ha. area has been found to be **MDF**(Medium Dense Forest) as per DSS analysis. In view of this the state government is also requested to verify and give the correct canopy density and NPV amount. The detail of Forest types (as per Champion & Seth classification) may also be provided.

Yours sincerely,

Encl: As above

Sd/-
(Suneet Bhardwaj)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests.

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), HP Forest Deptt., Talland Shimla.
2. The Nodal Officer, (FCA), Forest Department, HP Government, Talland, Shimla.
3. User Agency.
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi