## F. No. 8-41/2009-FC

Government of India

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

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Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Aliganj, Jorbagh Road New Delhi –110003

Dated: 5th April, 2018

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.

Sub: Diversion of 909.00 ha (Originally proposed 901.00 ha) of forest land for construction of Renukaji Dam project in favour of M/s Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation Limited in Sirmour District of Himachal Pradesh.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh's letter No. Ft.48-1775/2008 (FCA) dated 17.09.2015 and 22.05.2017 requesting for clarification on acquiring of 50 ha. of land lieu of 49 ha of forest land approved from the Wild Life Sanctuary Renukaji to Renukaji Dam at the cost of user agency (HPPCL). In this regard, it is informed that the condition no.(xxvi) of Stage-I approval dated 20.02.2015 clearly stated that the conditions recommended by the Standing Committee of the NBWL shall be complied with, which includes that Submerged area of the project would be included in the sanctuary bringing the total area of the sanctuary to 1597.6 ha.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit the complete compliance on the conditions stipulated in the Stage- I letter dated 20.02.2015 to this Ministry for further consideration of the Stage-II approval.

Yours faithfully,

(Nisheeth Saxena)

Sr. Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

## Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.

- 2. The Nodal Officer, under the forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Forest Department, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
- 3. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office (NCZ), Dehradun.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.

6. Guard File.

(Nisheeth Saxena)

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