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

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Dated: As per e-sign

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forest & Environment,
Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for use of 0.8374 hectare of forest land (in additional to the already diverted 69.3762 ha and 0.9274 ha) for construction of road bridge, river protection/training works for Rampur Hydro Electric Project in favour of SJVN in Rampur Forest Division, and District Shimla, H.P. (Proposal No. FP/HP/HYD/12761/2015)- regarding

Sir,

Please refer to Government of Himachal Pradesh letter No HPFD-F05/300/2024-FCA dated 23rd March, 2026 on the above mentioned subject. In this regard, the compliance report submitted by the State Government has been examined in the Ministry. The observations of the Ministry in compliance of the conditions of Stage-1 approval dated 25.3.2021, are as follows:-

(i) In compliance of condition No. (2), the State Government is requested to submit the present status of Court case. The State Government needs to submit whether appropriate action as per law is taken against the persons/officials/authority responsible for violation and breaking of forest land without the prior approval of the competent authority.

(ii) In compliance of condition No. (3), the State Government is requested to ask the User Agency to deposit NPV and penal NPV in National CAMPA account as per present rate of NPV (Rs.10,69,470/- per hectare for Eco-Class VI open forest).

(iii) In compliance of condition No. (4), the State Government needs to submit a certificate from IRO, Shimla/Sub-Office, Shimla regarding the extent of area under violation. If the area under violation is larger than the area reported by the State Government, five times NPV and five times CA shall be imposed on the larger area.

(iv) In compliance of condition No. (5), the State Government shall upload the KML files of diverted area and CA areas on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details and submit supporting documents for verification.

The proposal will be further examined after receipt of above information/documents.

Yours faithfully,

(Aditi Bhardwaj)
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1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Himachal Pradesh,

Shimla.

2. The Nodal Officer, Department of Forest, Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla.
3. The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Chandigarh.
4. The User Agency.
5. The Monitoring Cell, FC Division for uploading on PARIVESH Portal