

1. **Proposal for diversion of 63.441 ha Reserved forest land for construction of National Institute of Technology under the Aizawl District of Mizoram State.**
2. **Online ref no:** FP/MZ/SCH/148602/2021
3. **Name of user agency:** Department of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Mizoram.
4. **State:** Mizoram
5. **Forest division/ District :** Mamit/ Aizawl
6. **Total Forest land under diversion:** 63.441 Hectare
7. **Legal status of the land:** Reserved Forest
8. **Whether it is a proposal for use of fresh forest land:** Yes
9. **Purpose of diversion (category):** School/ Institute
10. **Whether any work of in violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 (Yes/No):** Yes, entire 63.441 ha area of forest land involved in violation.
11. **Compensatory Afforestation proposed:** Compensatory afforestation has earlier been proposed over 127 ha. in Forest land located under Aizawl district of Mizoram State. On the observation of this Ministry, CA has been revised from forest land to revenue land. Now, 64.25 ha area of revenue land has been mutated from the land bank at Village 'Pa Ngena Mual' for raising CA. DSS reported, out of 64.25 ha Revenue land for CA, 53 ha of land is characterized with Moderately Dense Forest and 11 ha of land is Open Forest in terms of forest classes (as per the ISFR 2019) based on the interpretation of satellite data period 2017 - 2018. High resolution satellite imagery also shows very dense vegetation cover within the proposed CA land and scope of further plantation is not subsist.
12. **Whether recommended by State Government:** The project proposal being national importance recommended for approval subject to compliance of relevant conditions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, realization of the required amount for the Compensatory Afforestation (CA)/ NPV/ Penal CA from the User Agency.
13. **Whether recommended by IRO (where applicable):** proposed area is less than 100 ha., so site inspection report is not done through concern IRO of MoEF&CC.