



File No 9-JKB-025/2023-Jammu

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To,

The CCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FC),
Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment
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Sub: **Diversion of 1.02 ha Forest land for Construction of Road from Chilla-Danga to Kathar-Brahmana under XEN PWD (SAMBA), District Samba UT of Jammu & Kashmir.**

Ref: i) Online proposal bearing on Online Proposal no FP/JK/ROAD/150453/2021 received on dated 04/07/2023

Sir,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Jammu & Kashmir on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of **1.02 Ha** of forest land for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. After careful examination of the above-mentioned proposal of the Govt of J&K, the following information/clarification is still required to be submitted:

(i) The road appears to exist even now. The State Govt needs to clarify the status of existing road as per Google earth, if it is kachcha road or already built to pucca road.

(ii) There is zero tree felling and the vegetation density has been mentioned as **0.2**, needs to be clarified.

(iii) As per tour note of DFO at PN 24 of one document uploaded under additional information details of part II of PARIVESH portal, the DFO has recommended that strict soil conservation measures need to be in place at the project site, but no details have been provided. Hence, DFO needs to submit the SMC plan along with cost estimate highlighting engineering and vegetative measures to stabilize the soil/minimize the impact due to road construction.

3. The compliance to the above may be submitted within **30 days** from the date of issue of this letter failing which the proposal shall be liable to be rejected for want of information.

This has approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

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