

F.No. 8-02/2022-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: September, 2025

To

The Secretary (Forests),
Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
Government of Mizoram.

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in f/o Department of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Mizoram for non-forestry use of 63.441 ha Reserved forest land for construction of National Institute of Technology in Aizawl District in the State of Mizoram (Online Proposal No FP/MZ/SCH/148602/2021)-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to Government of Mizoram's letter No. G-20/53/2025-EFCC dated 03.09.2025 on the above subject forwarding compliance of conditions stipulated in the in-principle (Stage-I) approval dated 07.06.2023 read with letter dated 4.11.2025. In this regard, it is to inform that examination of the said compliance report in the Ministry revealed following shortcomings:

- i. In accordance with the provisions of 2nd proviso of rule 13(1) of the van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, a scheme for the improvement of existing crop in non-forest land identified for penal CA needs to be submitted by the State along with its KML/Shp files. Cost of scheme may be realized from the user agency and deposited into the account of State CAMPA.
- ii. It cannot be ascertained from the details furnished by the State in the compliance report, if the 11 ha of land proposed for afforestation is out of non-forest land of 64.25 ha proposed for CA or otherwise. The State Government therefore, need to clarify the same and also the measures included in the scheme, if any for the protection and improvement of crop in the 64.25 ha of non-forest land proposed for compensatory afforestation.
- iii. KML file of CA land and Penal CA land has not been uploaded on e-Green watch portal. The same may be uploaded and details along with GPS ID's for the same may be informed to the Ministry.
- iv. Rectified KML files in compliance of condition no. (vi) of the Stage-I approval, stated to be submitted by the State Government, have not been received by the Ministry. Accordingly, rectified KML file needs to be submitted by the State.

In view of above, the State Govt. is requested to submit above information to this Ministry at the earliest, for further consider of the proposal for Stage-II approval.

Yours

faithfully,

Sd/-

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1. The PCCF & HoFF, Government of Mizoram.
2. The Nodal Officer, Government of Mizoram.
3. The DDGF (C) Regional Office, Shillong, MoEF&CC.
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading.
5. The User Agency.