



**File No. FST-Land0FC/5/2023-02-Forest Department**  
**Government of Jammu and Kashmir,**  
**Forests, Ecology & Environment Department**  
**Civil Secretariat, J&K**

**Subject:** Use of 0.33 ha of forest land for construction of road from Sanghiote road Km 3<sup>rd</sup> to Mohalla Hattian Ward No. 6 Katnarian, Qureshian Ward No. 04 to Purana School Kallar, Tehsil Balakote, District Poonch, Length = 4.00 kms in Poonch Forest Division.

Reference: 1. Online Proposal No. FP/JK/Road/154405/2022  
2. In-Principle (Stage-I) approval conveyed vide letter no. FST/Land/0FC/5/2023-02 dated 17.02.2023.  
3. Letter No. PCCF/FCA/3526/7546-49 dated 19.10.2023 from Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), J&K

**Government Order No:- 223-JK(FST) of 2023**

**Dated: 09.11.2023**

Approval of the proposal is hereby conveyed, and sanction accorded for the use of 0.33 ha of forest land for construction of road from Sanghiote road Km 3<sup>rd</sup> to Mohalla Hattian Ward No. 6 Katnarian, Qureshian Ward No. 04 to Purana School Kallar, Tehsil Balakote, District Poonch, Length = 4.00 kms in Poonch Forest Division with the following particulars and subject to the fulfillment of terms and conditions appearing hereinafter:

1.	User Agency/Applicant	PW(R&B) Division Poonch	
2.	Location	Division : Poonch Forest Division District : Poonch Range : Mendhar	
3.	Compartment Nos.	157/M	
4.	Salient Features of the project:		
	i	Length of the road in forest	440 Mtr
	ii	Width of the road in forest	7.50 Mtr
	iii	Forest area involved in construction of road.	3300 sq. mtr = 0.33 Ha

### **Terms and Conditions:-**

- i. Legal status of the forest land will remain unchanged.
- ii. Compensatory afforestation will be carried out over Degraded Forest land (DFL) upon 0.66 ha of land in Comp No153/M, Range Mendhar in Poonch Forest Division as per proposed CA scheme. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
- iii. Compensatory afforestation will be done within one year from the date of issue of final approval over the extent of land as approved out of the funds provided by the user agency.
- iv. The DFO shall ensure taking up CA plantations at approved sites and shall not alter the approved sites without obtaining the permission of the competent authority.
- v. The Forest Department shall upload the KML files of the degraded forest area accepted for raising compensatory afforestation as well as the forest area proposed for diversion in the extant proposal in the E-Green watch portal.
- vi. The forest land will not be used for any other purpose other than that mentioned in the proposal.
- vii. Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- viii. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department, or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- ix. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- x. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- xi. The user agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road at the project cost as per IRC specification with maintenance of seven to ten years.
- xii. The muck/waste material shall be disposed off as per the approved plan, if applicable.
- xiii. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- xiv. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- xv. The user agency shall provide firewood preferable alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.



- xvi. The User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, and any other clearances under relevant Acts/ Rules/Court Rulings/instructions/ etc., as applicable to this proposal.
- xvii. No damage will be done to the adjoining forest land, and all efforts shall be made to save the adjoining forest and forest land. The User Agency and /or its contractors will not bring any forest area under their use, other than the actual area/activity approved by the Government for the instant proposal. Any laxity or deviation on this account by the User Agency or its contractors will attract penal provisions of the relevant Acts/legal provisions.
- xviii. The forest land so allowed for use shall return to the Forest Department free of any encumbrances when it is no longer required by the User Agency.
- xix. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

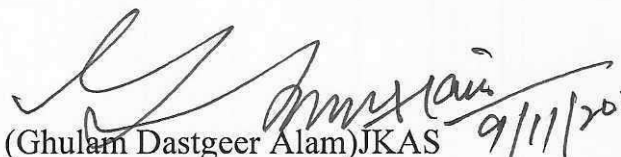
Sd/-  
( Dheeraj Gupta ) IAS  
Principal Secretary to the Government

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Dated:- 09 .11.2023

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1. Secretary to Government of India, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
2. Joint Secretary (J&K), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
3. APCCF/Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu
4. APCCF/ /Nodal Officer J&K (FCA) ([ccffcajk1@gmail.com](mailto:ccffcajk1@gmail.com)).
5. Chief Engineer PW(R&B) Department Jammu.
6. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary.
7. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government, Forest Ecology & Environment Department
8. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government, PW(R&B) Department
9. Private Secretary to Special Secretary (Technical), Forest, Ecology and Climate Department.
10. Government order file/Stock file (w.2.s.c).

  
(Ghulam Dastgeer Alam)JKAS 9/11/2023  
Deputy Secretary to the Government,  
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