

भारतसरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA एकीकृतक्षेत्रीयकार्यालय INTEGRATED REGIONAL OFFICE पर्यावरण ,वनएवंजलवायुपरिवर्तनमंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE लॉउसीबलुम्बतंगेन/LAW-U-SIB, LUMBATNGEN, शिलॉग/SHILLONG-793021



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13<sup>th</sup> October, 2022

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- Sub: Proposal for diversion of 0.6366 hectare of forest land for construction of road of RoB in connection with construction of Agartala Sabroom BG line under DFO, Gomati by N.F. Railway Construction Organization -reg.
- Ref: (i) Letter No. F.6-1225/FC/For-2017/733 dated 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 from Forest Department, Govt of Tripura.

(ii) This office letter No. 3-TR B 001/2022-SHI/777-78 dated 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2022.

Sir,

With reference to the subject and letter cited above, I am to invite your kind attention to this office letter of even number dated 15.06.2022 wherein this office has requested State Govt for submitting action taken as per para 3B II (iii). However, the information submitted by the State Govt vide letter dated 13.09.2022 has been examined in this office and it appears that the State Govt is unwilling / incapable of taking action as per rules, which is not in tandem with laid down rules.

It may be mentioned from the first EDS itself this office vide letter No. 3-TR B 001/2022-SHI/2086-87 dated 28.01.2022 has specifically requested for action to be taken as per rules / guidelines as the State Govt has itself recommended the proposal as per guidelines 3-B II (iii) which therefore is a case wherein violation happened after the FC proposal has been initiated. Taking cognizance of the offence's occurrence after the FC proposal has been initiated it is imperative on the State Govt's part to also take action against the officers who have failed to prevent the occurrence of the offence without prior approval of the Government of India. Hence, if the State Govt is incapable / unwilling to follow the guidelines, this office will be rendered helpless to take any further action on this proposal.

Hence, in view of the above circumstances this proposal is returned herewith to the State Govt of which it has the liberty to resubmit the same whenever necessary action as envisaged under the Forest (Conservation) Act, Rules & Guidelines are followed.

Encl : Original proposal.

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