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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: 27th September, 2020

To

The Addl. Secretary (Forest)
 Uttarakhand Forest Department
 Government of Uttarakhand
 Dehradun

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 190.0 ha of forest land for Collection of minor mineral from Chandrabhaga River, Narendranagar Forest Division and District Dehradun, Uttarakhand State (Online Proposal No. FP/UK/MIN/46859/2020)

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. FP/UK/MIN/46859/2020 dated 01.9.2020 regarding above mentioned subject for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to inform that scrutiny of the said proposal in the Ministry revealed certain information lacking in the proposal and accordingly it is requested to furnish the following additional information from the State Government for further action:

- (i) Undertaking to bear the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.
- (ii) Undertaking for non use of the heavy machinery for the mining.
- (iii) undertaking for no work during monsoon season.
- (iv) As per the DSS, it is found that the project site is falling within 10 Km range of the Eco- Sensitive Zone of the Rajaji National Park, therefore, the status regarding approval of Wildlife Clearance may be informed accordingly.
- (v) As per the DSS analysis, out of 190.0 ha proposed forest land about 1 ha is VDF and 31.0 ha is MDF.
- (vi) A certificate conveying that no plantation/afforestation has been taken up in the past under any scheme/plan in the proposed sites for CA.

Out of 380.0 ha CA area following areas are found VDF and MDF:

S. No.	Name of the Compartment	Area Proposed	VDF	MDF
1	Jijali	30	0	20

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2	Khanana-2	30	0	7
3	Pathudi 01a	20	4	16
4	Pathudi 02	20	0	8
5	Saur	40	0	0
6	Bargru	20	0	5
Total		160	4	56

In view of the above, it is requested to submit the information within time line as prescribed in FC Rules, 2014.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Surender Mehra)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests.

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
2. The DDGF (central), RO Dehradun- ***with request to kindly inspect the area proposed for diversion under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and report may kindly be submitted through PARIVESH portal for further action in the matter.***
3. The Nodal Officer, (FCA), Forest Department, Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.