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E.No: 9-PBC303/2019-CHA

Dated: 12-11-2019

To,

The Member Secretary,  
State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Punjab  
O/o Directorate of Environment & Climate Change,  
C/o PSCST, MGSIPA Complex,  
Sector-26, Chandigarh-160019

**Sub:** Diversion of 30.25 ha (instead of 31.42 ha) of forest land for Development of International Standard Tourism/Theme Destination in State of Punjab on Pathankot-Dalhousie Road around Ranjit Sagar Lake area Forest Division and District Pathankot (By Special Secretary Govt. of Punjab, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Punjab) (Online proposal No. FP/PB/Others/33014/2018)-regarding.

**Ref:** State Government letter no. FCA/1980/269/2018/522 dated 30.10.2019.

Sir,

I am directed to bring to your kind notice that the user agency earlier applied for forest clearance in respect of diversion of 123.68 ha of forest land in the year 2016 for the above purpose, which was later withdrawn by the State Govt.


2. Now, the user agency has applied revised forest clearance in 2018 for the above purpose for 30.25 ha (instead of 31.42) of forest land wherein it has been informed that EC is not required as SEIAA has already approved EC for 123.68 ha in respect of old proposal.

3. This revised proposal was placed before REC on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 wherein the REC made following observation:

(i). *The EC submitted by the User Agency is for the old proposal over an area of 123.68 ha. The UA stated that since the present proposal is a smaller version of the earlier EC, hence the same may be excepted. The REC decided to refer this matter to SEIAA, Punjab for clarification;*

4. In view of the above, you are requested to kindly clarify whether Environment Clearance (EC) is required in revise proposal or not.

Yours faithfully

  
12/11/19  
(K.Z Bhutia)  
DIGF (Central)

प्रतिलिपि:

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2. Special Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Housing & Urban Development, Punjab.