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To

The PCCF-Cum Principal Secretary,
Govt of Sikkim,
Deptt. of Forests & Environment,
Deorali,
Gangtok- 737102.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 16.11 ha (South District=15.74 ha+ East District=0.37 ha) of forest land for construction of 2-Lane road from Singtam-Tarku-Rabongla-Leghip-Gyalshing (Section from Singtam to Rabongla) NH-510 in South/East Districts of Sikkim by National Highways & Infrastructure Dev. Corp Limited.

Ref: (i) Letter No. 1711/FCA/FEWMD/660 dated 29.12.2016 of State Govt of Sikkim.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government letter above on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980. I am directed to inform that the proposal referred above has been examined in this office in the light of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and rules/guidelines framed thereunder and following information/documents are found lacking:

- (i) The maintenance of compensatory afforestation scheme for 7-10 years authenticated by the competent authority.
- (ii) The letter of notification of Eco-sensitive zone in the Sikkim State.
- (iii) The RoW of the proposed road diversion mentioned under subject above.
- (iv) The GPS coordinates and photographs of the sample plot for tree enumeration and exact numbers of the trees to be affected by this proposed diversion.
- (v) A brief of the remaining stretch of the road.
- (vi) The GPS coordinates of the starting and end point of the proposed diversion road.
- (vii) The soft and hard copy of the shape/kml file of the proposed diversion area and compensatory afforestation area.
- (viii) The Compartment No of the proposed diversion road and compensatory afforestation site.
- (ix) The sketch of the proposed road.
- (x) The approved muck dumping plan.

State Govt is requested to kindly furnish the above information on or before 24.01.2017 so that the proposal may be discussed in the next REC meeting.

Yours faithfully,

(B. S. Kharmawphlang)

I/c Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest(C)