

Agenda Item No. 02: Diversion of 32.553 ha of forest Land for construction of Satpuli to Srinagar (National Highway-119) Civil Soyam Forest 20.115 Ha., Panchayat Forest 0.151 Ha., Reserved Forest 4.367 Ha., Muck Disposal 7.92 Ha in favour of MoRTH within the jurisdiction of Garhwal Forest Division, District Pauri Garhwal, Uttarakhand. (FP/UK/ROAD/45296/2020).

The proposal was discussed in the meeting with the concerned DFO and user agency. It was appraised that the observations on few points were made by this office vide EDS letter dated 10.06.2022, reply to which has been received on 01.12.2022 and the same was examined. It was appraised that after examination of the reply, few observations were further noticed in the proposal which were discussed in the meeting with the concerned DFO and user agency.

After detailed discussion it was decided that the State Government may be requested to ensure compliance of the following points:

1. As per DSS analysis of new CA area, 17 ha is found to be VDF and 16 ha is found to be MDF. The DFO is required to submit a site inspection report of the MDF area clearly mentioning if the MDF area is suitable for plantation. The area falling in VDF shall be revised and details be submitted on the online portal.
2. Details of the 56.819 ha of non-forest land are uploaded in the field additional document in Part I. Same shall be filled in para B of part I by the User Agency.
3. Details of 76 saplings are required to be uploaded at para 4 in part II by the Forest Department.
4. The DFO along with the User Agency shall visit the proposed muck dumping sites and shall review and minimize the area proposed for muck dumping. It shall be ensured that revenue lands / degraded forests with gentle slope are selected.
5. DFO shall submit the reclamation plan for the muck disposal area.