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To,

Additional Chief Secretary (Forest)
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Sub: Diversion of 19.1788 ha of forest land in favour of NHAI for diversion of additional Forest Land requirement for four laning of NH-05 from Shakral Village to Dhalli section (Shimla Bypass PackageII from Km 146+300 to Km 156+560 and Shimla Connectivity from Km 0+000 to Km 0+725 for Design length – 10.985 Km) in already approved FCA case of the entire section from Kaithlighat to Dhalli, within the jurisdiction of Shimla and Shimla (MC) Forest Division Distt.Shimla HP-reg.

Ref: i. Online Proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/154923/2022 received on 14.12.2022
 ii. PCCF (HoFF), Himachal Pradesh Letter no. Ft. 48-5731/2022 (FCA) dated 10.01.2023

Sir,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Himachal Pradesh on the above-mentioned subject and references seeking approval of the Central Government for diversion of **19.1788 ha** of forest land for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

As per the Para-8 and 9 of FC Rules-2022, the Project Screening Committee (PSC) is required to examine the completeness and correctness of the proposals and ensure that the deficiencies in the proposals, if any, are rectified before forwarding the proposals to the Central Government. However, in the instant proposal, the minutes of the meeting (MoM) reflects that the proposal has not been scrutinized as per the criteria laid down in the FC Rules-2022 as well as other guidelines/directions issued by the Ministry time to time. This office also scrutinized the proposal as forwarded by the State Govt. to check the completeness and correctness of the proposal. However, still there are many shortcomings which need to be identified by the PSC level, and accordingly clarification regarding the same is required to be sought directly from the concerned User Agency by the member-secretary of the PSC. The PSC is required to re-examine the clarification submitted by the User Agency, and forward the same to this office as per the **Para-9(4) (k) of FC Rules-2022**.

In view of the above, the instant proposal is not plausible to process at IRO level due to incompleteness of the proposal.

Yours faithfully

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