

**EDS dated: 01.12.2015 6951/2014 Construction of Rop Mai ki
Mandhi's official building**

The State Govt. in its reply dated 9/11/15 has mentioned that State of Uttarakhand has been identified by Ministry of Home Affairs as highly affected by landslides and very high risk for earthquake. This is to clarify that the general approval granted to the State Govt. vide MoEF &CC Govt. of India letter dated 07.11.2014 is to approve diversion of forest land for Police establishments like police stations/outposts/border outposts/watch towers, in sensitive areas identified by the Ministry of Home Affairs from security point of view and not from view point of being prone to natural calamities. Hence the current proposal is not covered under the general approval granted by Govt. of India. State Govt. may cancel the in principle approval granted at their level and submit reply to the observations 1 to 5 of the EDS dated 16.06.2015 of this office so that the proposal is considered for granting in principle approval by this office.