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विषय: Diversion of 0.4867 ha of forest land in favour of Sh. Baldev Singh Thakur, Director, Kufri Fun Campus, Shimla for the construction of Gravity Zip Ropeway, within the jurisdiction of Theog(Shimla) Forest Division, District Shimla, H.P. (Online Proposal no. FP/HP/Others/142897/2021)

संदर्भ: Online Proposal No. FP/HP/Others/142897/2021 received on dated 18.11.2022.

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषय पर संदर्भित पत्र का आशय ग्रहण करते हुए सूचित करना है कि प्रस्ताव में निम्नलिखित कमियां पाई गयी है। अतः राज्य सरकार निम्न बिन्दुओं पर आवश्यक सूचनाएं प्रेषित करने का कष्ट करें, ताकि अग्रिम कार्यवाही सुनिश्चित की जा सके:-

1. The proposal is a non-site specific project. Para 1.15 of FCA guidelines as well as recent direction of the MoEF & CC dated 24.01.2022 has categorically mentioned that non-site specific activities cannot be considered on forest land as a rule. For that matter, no non-site specific proposal can be entertained for considering approval under the FCA 1980. Therefore, State Govt. may explore non-forest land for the project.
2. A fresh KML of the instant proposal may be provided in the polygon of the diversion area along the Forest and Non-Forest area in a distinct colour
3. Alternative examined were not marked in the KML, the same may be done and uploaded on the online portal
4. On perusal of KML file, it is noticed that location of towers are not marked in KML file and only a straight line has been drawn. It is requested to mark location of each tower and components in KML file.
5. As per para 11.12 of the Handbook of FCA, 1980 and FC Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and Clarifications), MoEF&CC, 2019 for passenger ropeways, the extant proposal needs to be reviewed on the following points:-
 - (i). The alignment of ropeways should be such that it involves least tree-cutting
 - (ii). The route alignment through the forest areas should not have any line deviation and it should be above tree height with minimum clearance of 5 meters from the highest tree.
 - (iii). The land required for construction of terminal stations, line towers, etc. will be included for diversion under FCA.
 - (iv). Forest land under the ropeway, in the alignment of ropeways where no felling is involved, will also need diversion as this area cannot be diverted to any other project. However, for such areas no CA charges shall be levied, but NPV has to be paid in full as applicable.
 - (v). The minimum clearance prescribed for maintaining the distance between the cables and trees in the width of right of way be exempted as there is no electricity passing through the cable.” Therefore, State Govt. may provide point wise reply of the above and comment whether the guidelines have been followed properly.
6. Detailed layout plan indicating location of all the towers duly authenticated by the concerned DFO may be provided.

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7. State Govt. is requested to mark the boundary of each tower in KML and submit the GPS coordinates of each tower in the digital map and upload the same at para C (iv) in Part I.
8. The Scheme of Soil and Moisture Conservation works uploaded online. However, the same is unable to download. State Govt. may rectify and upload again.
9. Detailed muck disposal plan not found uploaded. State Govt. is requested to upload the submit/upload the complete muck disposal plan including the details like quantity of muck likely to be generated.
10. The Aerial Distance Certificate from the nearest PA duly authenticated by the concerned DFO, needs to be uploaded.
11. (i). As per DSS analysis, the proposed area for CA is found to have a bridle path passing through the proposed CA site. Therefore, State Govt. may look for additional/alternate CA sites. Further, State Govt. may review and submit documentation regarding the suitability of land for CA in lieu of forest land proposed for diversion in terms of its vicinity to the area being proposed for DA and/or contiguity with the existing forest area and also ensure the manageability as per the latest Guidelines of MoEF & CC vide letter No. 11-423/2011-FC dated 13.07.2022.
(ii). The Status of Proposed CA land may be provided, whether it is a Govt. Wasteland is declared as PF under HP Govt. notification, 1952, or it is notified as UPF/DPF under IFA 1927
12. The State Govt. may rectify and fill the correct area figure of geographical area of district profile in Part-II, para-1.

यदि चाही गई सूचना पत्र जारी होने की तिथि के 60 दिनों के भीतर (अधिकतम 90 दिन) इस कार्यालय में प्राप्त नहीं हुई तो प्रस्ताव को निरस्त किया जा सकता है।

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