Jammu & Kashmir Forest Department Office of the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Government of Jammu & Kashmir



Sub: Diversion of 4.37 Ha forest land for construction of 132 KV D/C Ramban Sangaldan transmission line for providing power supply to Konkan railway, UT of Jammu & Kashmir-reg.

Ref: (i) Online proposal bearing no. FP/JK/TRANS/145320/2021 received on dated 07.09.2022

(ii) This office communication No. PCCF/FCA/3383/5006-09 dated 27-10-2022

This is with reference to the above proposal and reference. One of the observations of the IRO, MoEF&CC Jammu is "There is violation reported by the DFO, Ramban. The State Govt. is required to verify if the violation was committed before applying for seeking the clearance under Forest Conservation Act, 1980. If the act of violation was done after applying for seeking approval under FC Act, this will fit into the case, where the proposal under FC Act is under consideration and forest land is diverted before grant of FC. Hence, the State Govt. will initiate disciplinary action against official concerned as per provision of 1.21 (ii)c and will prosecute the User agency for violation under local act of the State for unauthorised use of forest land without the permission of the State Authority as per 1.21 (ii)d of the Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and Forest Conservation Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and clarifications), 2019 of MoEF&CC. A report for action taken needs to be submitted".

Conservator of Forests, Chenab Circle Doda and DFO Ramban are requested to upload the action taken report in respect of the above observation of IRO, MoEF&CC Jammu, within three days.

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Dated 19-12-2022

No. PCCF/FCA/3383/ 658-59

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