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To

CCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FC), Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment Van Bhawan, Below Gumat, Jammu-180001 (ccffcajk1@gmail.com)

Sub: Diversion of 12.052 ha of forest land for construction of road from Mari to Dhakikot Part-II, under Reasi forest division District Reasi, U.T. of Jammu & Kashmir-reg.

- Reg: i) Online proposal bearing on FP/JK/ROAD/46980/2021 received on dated 25.03.2021
 - ii) Online reply from Nodal Officer J&K letter no. PCCF/FCA/1085/86 Dated-03-06-2021
 - iii) Minutes of the 40th meetings of REC held on 18.06.2021
 - iv) Online reply from Nodal Officer J&K letter no. PCCF/FCA/3158/1820-21 Dated-05-08-2021
 - v) Minutes of the 1st meetings of REC held on 15.09.2021
 - vi) Online reply from Nodal Officer J&K letter no. PCCF/FCA/3158/2653-54 Dated-02-11-2021
 - vii) Minutes of the 2nd meetings of REC held on 26.11.2021

Sir,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Jammu & Kashmir on the abovementioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of 12.052 ha of forest land for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

- After careful examination of the above-mentioned proposal of the Govt of J&K in the 2nd REC meeting, the following information/clarification are still required to be submitted:
 - Forest and non-forest area mentioned in Part-I column B 2.3 & 2.4 is erroneous. (i) This needs to be corrected.
 - In KML file the area of forest and non-forest patches are not clearly mentioned. (ii) The color of the KML file does not designate clearly between forest and non-forest patches. Therefore, portions in the forest and non-forest land are to be marked in different colors.
 - As some portions of road passing through non-forest area appears like forest area, (iii) the nodal officer was to constitute a joint team to visit such non-forest area on ground to submit an inspection report to the REC with respect to the apprehension raised by REC. The Joint Inspection Report be submitted.

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- (iv) As per DFO's report, the total number of trees to be felled has increased from 1666 to 1764. But the enumeration list, submitted by the DFO, contains a list of 1746 trees only. Therefore, correct list be provided.
- 3. The compliance to the above may be submitted within 30 days from the date of issue of this letter failing which the proposal shall be liable to be rejected for want to information.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(Shashi Shankar) AIGF (Central) IRO Jammu

Copy to: -

- 1. The Divisional Forest Officer, Reasi forest Division, District Reasi, Jammu & Kashmir
- 2. Chief Engineer PMGSY Jammu, District Jammu, Jammu and Kashmir (cepmgsyjammu@gmail.com)

-----Signed by Shashi Shankar Date: 23-12-2021 15:53:01

Reason: Approved