No. RK/FCA/Link Road PHC Badehari Dawath/1408 Himachal Pradesh Forest Department

Dated Shimla-2, the yth July, 2024

From: DFO Shimla

To: CCF (T), Shimla

Subject: Diversion of 0.0442 ha of Forest land in faovur of Executive Engineer, Himachal Pradesh Public Works Department, Shimla Rural Division, Dhami for the construction of link road from PHC Badehri Gurshalli to village Dawath (Km 0/0 to 1/500), falls within the jurisdiction of Shimla Forest Division, HP (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/150852/2022).

Memo:

Please refer to the observations dated 17th January, 2024 made by the Nodal Officercum-Addl. Pr. CCF (FCA), O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF), HP through online on Parivesh portal on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise reply with respect to the observations raised by the Nodal Officercum-Addl. Pr. CCF (FCA), O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF), HP referred to above is given as follows:

S1.	Observation	Compliance
No. 1.	Reply of point No.1 is still not acceptable as correct reason for proposal of said road duly recommended by DFO should be given and it should be clarified in more detail and why bridle path cannot be widened as suggested by Govt. of India.	In this respect, the User Agency has submitted that the KML file has been rectified to make the file consistent with Joint Inspection Report. Further, it is clarified that the Bridle path visible in the satellite image is in very steep slope. Height difference between starting point and end point of the said path is about 80-100 meters and therefore, it is not possible to use this path as road even if it is widened (At present it is 2-5 feet wide) as the resulting grade would be 1:2 to 1:3 which is not suitable of plying of the vehicles (For reference, it is pertinent to mention here that maximum gradient allowed as per the Indian Codes even in exceptional cases is 7% i.e. 1:15 for length not exceeding 100 meters). The copy of correct reason for proposal of the said road duly recommended/countersigned by the DFO concerned along with clarification in more detail that why Bridle Path cannot be widened as suggested by the Govt. of India has been uploaded by the User Agency through online on Parivesh portal in the Part-I under Additional Information Details at Sl. No. 32 as " <i>Observation attended on 01/07/2024</i> " at Page No. 3, along with the copy of Site photograph at Page No. 4, wherein it is clearly visible the impossibility to connect the Village Dawath by widening of Bridle path. Alternative 2 depicts the possible alignment of the road if the village is to be connected with starting point of the Bridle path where a large number of hairpin bends are required in the Forest area and number of trees required to be felled is also greater.
2.	In reply to point No. 2, Govt. of India has asked to submit the Layout plan in appropriate scale but layout plan as uploaded is not in scale.	In this respect, the User Agency has submitted the Digital copy of Layout plan in appropriate scale though online in the Part-I under Additional Information Details at Sl. No. 30 & 31 as "Observation attended" at Page No. 6 of the pdf attached, please.

3.	complete proposed stretch of the	In this respect, the User Agency has submitted the copy of Administrative Approval & approved copy of Preliminary Estimate though online in the Part-I under Additional Information Details at Sl. No. 30 & 31 as " <i>Observation Attended</i> " at Page No. 2-5 of the pdf attached, please.
		Further, the User Agency has also submitted that the Detailed DPR of the road can only be prepared once the land transfer process is completed, please.

This is for favour of kind information and necessary action, please.

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