No.Ft.48-4082/2020 (FCA) H.P. Forest Department.

From:

Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA)

O/o Pr.CCF, H.P, Shimla-1

To:

Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment,

Forest and Climate Change, CGO Complex, Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, H.P.

Dated Shimla-1, the 0 4 MAY 2023

Subject:

Diversion of 25.6 ha of forest land in favour of HPPWD for the construction of Bhaba Mud Sagnam Attargoo Road Kms 0/0 to 44/400, within the jurisdiction of DFO Kinnaur and WL Sarahan Division, Distt. Kinnaur and Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. Ref: Online Proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/139911/2021).

Sir,

1.

Kindly refer to your office letter No. FC/HPC/06/170/2022 dated 15-11-2022 on the subject cited above.

- 2. The point wise observation raised vide above referred communication is attended as under:-
 - CCF Rampur has intimated that the construction of Bhaba Mudh Attargoo road is involving two protected areas and their eco-sensitive zones viz Pin valley National park in District Lahaul & Spiti and Rupi Bhaba WLS in Distt Kinnaur. It is pertinent to mention that the Forest/WL clearance of stretch/length of road falling under Pin Valley National Park stands already accorded by MoEF vide letter No. 44 Dated. 29-10-2022. for 15.94 ha. of land which is falling under HPPWD Spiti Division. Rupi Bhaba WLS falls within the jurisdiction of Wildlife Division Sarahan. The proposal under contention is submitted for approval of 44/400 Km of road length from Kinnaur side, which involves 4.8 ha. of forest land belonging to Kinnaur Forest territorial Division & 20.7963 ha. of land belonging to Rupi Bhaba Wildlife Sanctuary of Wildlife Division Sarahan. Further it is clarified that the Standing Committee of NBWL has recommended the case vide point number 44.1.6 of 45th meeting dated 12.09.2017. The copy stands already uploaded on the online portal Part-I by the user agency.
 - 2. CCF Rampur has intimated that the area of Pin Valley Nature Park falls under Spiti WL Division as mentioned in Para.1 above. The copy of approval letter has been uploaded in additional information online Part-I by the U.A.

- 3. CCF Rampur has intimated that the Standing Committee of NBWL vide point number 44.1.6 of 45th meeting has recommended the diversion case of forest land falling from Km 33/500 to 61/930 in HPPWD Spiti and Km 0/0 to 44/400 in HPPWD Karchham at Bhaba Nagar in Kinnaur District. As such the Standing Committee has recommended the total area of 25.6 ha. not 4.20 ha. as pointed out in the observations. Copy stands already uploaded in online portal Part-I by the user agency.
- 4. CCF Rampur has intimated that the proposed alignment is only feasible involving minimum number of trees and forest /Wildlife area for which concerned DFO's have visited the site to authenticate the proposed alignment. Hence it is not possible to alter the alignment as all the possibility have been explored by the Department for minimum use of trees and land for construction of said road.
- 5. CCF Rampur has intimated that the cost for the construction road previously mentioned in column has now been revised, to the tune of Rs. 34.19 crores approx.

Yours faithfully,

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