

No.FCA/ 5525 /
H.P. Forest Department.

Dated D/Shala, the/ 4-11-22

From: D.F.O. Dharamshala. To: C.C.F. (T) Dharamshala.

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 64.2016 Ha. (Originally proposed: 75.3931 Ha.) of forest land for Construction of North Campus of the Central University in favour of the Registrar, Central University, Himachal Pradesh at Dharamshala, District Kangra, Himachal Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/Others/39044/2019).

Memo,


Kindly refer to the observations raised by the Deputy Inspector General of Forests, Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Forest Conservation Division, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi-110003 vide letter No. File No.8-17/2020-FC dated 21st August, 2022, on the subject cited above.

In this regard, point wise reply to the observations raised is as under:-

1. As submitted by the User Agency, the KML file of the Water Pipeline, Main Road, Access Roads, Transmission Line and Sewerage Line has been revised to polygon feature and revised KML file has been uploaded online.
2. The CA Area has been revised and fresh KML files have been uploaded online alongwith Geo- Referenced Maps and topo-maps with revised Compensatory Afforestation (CA) schemes and are enclosed herewith in triplicate.
3. The revised Part-II has been uploaded online in Part-II and same is enclosed herewith in triplicate.
4. As submitted by the User Agency, the Central University of Himachal Pradesh has empanelled CPWD as the Project Management Consultant (PMC) for the establishment of the permanent campuses. The DPR and Master Plans have been prepared by CPWD as per requirements of University. The tender for construction of upcoming permanent campus at Dehra was floated by CPWD on 22nd April, 2022 and work has been awarded to M/S Ahluwalia Contracts India Private Limited. The preliminary construction related activities have been started for Satellite Campus at Dehra.
5. As submitted by the User Agency, the Compliance Report of the conditions stipulated in the previous final approval accorded by the MoEF&CC in the year 2018 for diversion of 81.7916 ha of forest land for Satellite campus at Dehra is enclosed herewith.
6. As submitted by DFO Dehra, the Compensatory Afforestation over 5 Ha. of degraded forest land has been carried out during the year 2022-23 in CFS Paise UC-7 with survival rate 100% and an expenditure of Rs. 3,89,800/- has been incurred. The Compensatory Afforestation over remaining 159 Ha. area will be done during the year 2023-24 subject to availability of funds.

It is therefore, requested that the necessary approval for the diversion of 64.2016 Ha. of forest land for the construction of above mentioned project may kindly be obtained from the Govt. of India under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and may be conveyed to this office.

Encls: As above.


Divisional Forest Officer,
Dharamshala Forest Division,
Dharamshala, Distt. Kangra (HP).