



## कार्यालय, प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी, देहरादून वन प्रभाग, देहरादून।

पत्रांक : 6092 /12-1 देहरादून, दिनांक 06 अप्रैल, 2024

सेवा में,

वन संरक्षक,  
शिवालिक वृत्त, उत्तराखण्ड,  
देहरादून।

**विषय:**—उत्तराखण्ड राज्य के जनपद देहरादून में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग संख्या-7 के भानियावाला-जौलीग्रन्ट-ऋषिकेश कि०मी० 0.000 से कि०मी० 19.780 तक के चार लेन चौड़ीकरण एवं विषयक-आनलाईन वन भूमि हस्तान्तरण प्रस्ताव संख्या-FP/UK/ROAD/146663/202 के सम्बन्ध में।

**संदर्भ:**—भारतीय राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग प्राधिकरण, परियोजना कार्यान्वयन ईकाई-वसन्त विहार, मकान संख्या-171, फेज वसन्त विहार, देहरादून के पत्रांक-NHAI/PIU/VV/2022/Bhaniyawala-Rishikesh/Forest/6350 दिनांक 02.04.2024

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषयक संदर्भित पत्र के कम में अवगत कराना है कि उक्त प्रकरण में भारत सरकार द्वारा अपने पत्रांक-सं०8बी/यू.सी.पी/06/66/2023/एफ०सी० दिनांक 05/03/2024 के द्वारा लगायी गयी आपत्तियों का निराकरण कर प्रस्तावक विभाग/कार्यदायी संस्था ने अपने पत्रांक 6350 दिनांक 02.04.2024 को बिन्दुवार सूचना इस कार्यालय को निम्न प्रकार उपलब्ध करायी गयी है:-

Sl. No.	Observations of Regional Office	Compliances
1.	The entire Uttarakhand state is counted as hilly area. So, as per rules the proposed diversion area is more than 5.00 ha and Cost-Benefit analysis is required.	A copy of Cost benefit analysis attached herewith as <b>Annexure-1</b> . Cost Benefit Analysis has been uploaded at serial no. G in Part-I.
2.	The documentary evidence for existing road was constructed prior to 1980 shall be submitted.	As per the notification Under Section 3(1) of the U.P. Roadside Land Control, Act, 1945 (Act No. X of 1945), Public Works Department Notification dated 24 <sup>th</sup> February 1953. The existing road was constructed prior 1980. A copy of the above notification is attached as <b>Annexure-2</b> . Although, this road is existing prior to 1980, still the black top is included in the area of diversion.
3.	The proposed area is about 500 m away from Rajaji Tiger Reserve, so chainage wise mitigation measures with map is required.	The boundary of Rajaji Tiger Reserve is at the centre of the Ganga River. The nearest point of the project road from the boundary of Rajaji Tiger River is the existing junction of NH-7 (Old NH-58) and Bhaniyawala-Rishikesh Road (Spur of NH-7) at Rishikesh. This is the design Chainage 20.600 of our project highway. From T-Junction to NatrajChowk (about 2 km in length) is fully habitat. The last 820 m of existing road is 2-lane in which we are not doing any widening due to buildings on both sides abutting the ROW. We have excluded this 820 m length of road from our project. Now the nearest point of the project is 1317 m from Rajaji Tiger Reserve boundary. The following safeguards have been provided in the project from ecological/ wildlife considerations: <b>Underpasses:</b> One Major Bridge (280 m) plus 60 m opening for crossing of Elephants and other species near Chainage km 5.700 – 6.200 (between Airport and Ranipokhari village). Four numbers of Elephant Passes aggregate length = 3060 m in the Forest area between Ranipokhari&NatrajChowk is also



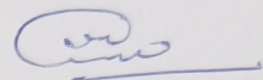
		<p>provided.</p> <p>Box Culverts 7 Numbers of size 5 m x 3 m to facilitate the movement of large cats, such as tigers and leopards, and other wildlife (jackals, leopard cats, porcupine, wild boars, sambar and chital) besides functioning as cross drainage structure.</p> <p>Hume pipes of 1200 mm diameter – 10 numbers to facilitate the movement of reptiles, amphibians, and other smaller fauna.</p> <p><b>Green Hedge:</b></p> <p>A hedge of 2 m height and 1 m width is proposed between Ch 10.140 and Ch 18.030 by the side of road on both sides to guide / channelize movement of small animals at dedicated points.</p> <p><b>Fencing in Forest Area:</b></p> <p>Chain Link Fencing is proposed at ROW in the forest area to prevent animals from entering the project highway at other vulnerable locations.</p> <p><b>Noise/Light Barrier:</b></p> <p>Sound and Light barriers are proposed on outer side of the elephant passes (forest area).</p> <p><b>Signages:</b></p> <p>Adequate signages like, Elephant Crossing, Drive Slow, Wild Life, etc., and road markings shall be provided in the Forest area for safety of wild life and road users.</p> <p>A strip plan showing chainage wise mitigation measures (structures proposed for crossing of wild animals) is attached as Annexure-3</p>
4.	As per the Van (SanrakshanevamSamvardhan) Rules 2023, CA require on Non Forest Land. So, revised CA area with CA scheme, KML file, etc as per Para 2.3 of said rules, are required.	<p>(i) It is to apprise that the proposal for diversion of <b>19.8345 Ha</b> forest area was uploaded on 16.04.2022 on Parivesh 1.0 Portal for construction of Bhanyawala-Rishikesh spur in the state of Uttarakhand.</p> <p>(ii) DFO Narender Nagar provided the CA land for <b>39.669 Ha</b> area up on Degraded forest land at ManiknathRaji vide its letter dated <b>19.12.2022</b> (attached).</p> <p>(iii) Since the uploading of the proposal on Parivesh Portal, the proposal has been returned to User Agency due to EDS raised on 11 different instances and each time the compliance has been re-submitted by the User Agency in a time bound manner.</p> <p>(iv) The latest compliance to the EDS raised by the Forest Department was submitted by the User Agency on <b>06.12.2023</b>.</p> <p>(v) Further, the Agreement for the development of the project has been signed by the NHAI on <b>01.12.2023</b> and the project is proposed to be started soon.</p> <p>(vi) Now, as per the EDS sought through the aforementioned letter dated <b>05.03.2024</b>, if the instant proposal is considered as per 'Van (SanrakshanEvamSamvardhan) Rules, 2023', it shall require User Agency to provide Non-Forest Land for Compensatory Afforestation as against the Degraded Forest Land as per the current guidelines. NHAI is not in possession of any Non-forest land which may be used for Compensatory Afforestation and will require for acquisition of additional land for this purpose. It is to bring to kind attention that Acquisition of Land is a time taking process and if at this stage NHAI is required to provide Non-Forest Land for Compensatory Afforestation purpose, it shall lead to significant cost and time over-run in the project and lead to significant monetary loss to the country.</p> <p>(vii) Further, the Foundation stone for this project of national importance has already been laid by the Hon'ble Minister MoRT&amp;H on <b>13.02.2024</b> and if this project is</p>



		<p>delayed due to forest clearance, it shall bring bad light on the organization.</p> <p>(viii) Since the project is of national importance and work needs to start soon for easing of traffic in the State Capital of Uttarakhand, it is requested to kindly consider the subject project as per Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003 so that Compensatory Afforestation may be taken up on Degraded forest land provided by the DFO Narender Nagar and the work may start soon without causing significant cost and time over-run in the project.</p>
5.	The Site Inspection Report (SIR) of DFO is not containing proposal details. So, revised SIR is require in attached format.	The Site Inspection Report (SIR) of DFO is Enclosed.

संलग्नक: यथोपरि।

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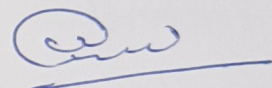
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तददिनांकित।

प्रतिलिपि निम्नलिखित को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित:-

1. अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक/नोडल अधिकारी, वन संरक्षण, इन्दिरानगर फॉरेस्ट कालोनी, उत्तराखण्ड देहरादून को उनके उपरोक्त सन्दर्भित पत्र के क्रम में प्रेषित।
2. भारतीय राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग प्राधिकरण, परियोजना कार्यान्वयन ईकाई-वसन्त विहार, मकान संख्या-171, फेज वसन्त विहार, देहरादून को उनके उपरोक्त संदर्भित पत्र के क्रम में सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।



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**SITE INSPECTION REPORT NOT BELOW THE RANK OF DCF  
(for the forest land to be diverted under FCA)**

**5.1-** A proposal has been received by this office from-परियोजना निदेशक भारतीय राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग प्राधिकरण पी0आई0यू0 बसन्त विहार देहरादून (under FCA -1980) of- 19.8345 of forest land for non-forestry purpose. The projects envisage the use of forest land for उत्तराखण्ड राज्य के जनपद देहरादून में राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग संख्या-7 के भानियावाला (देहरादून) से ऋषिकेश रोड़ (स्पर) के डिजाईन कि०मी० 0.000 से कि०मी० 20.600 तक मौजूदा सड़क को चार लेन चौड़ीकरण एवं सुदृढीकरण हेतु।

The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has done by me on **dated : 18.03.2023**

**5.2-** On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency is a Reserve forest- 19.8345 ha.

**5.3-** The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.-2 part- 1 is unavoidable and is barest minimum required for the project. (✓)

**5.4-** Whether any rare / endangered / unique species of flora and fauna found in the area. If, so the details there of.- **Nil**

**5.5-** Whether any protected archaeological / heritage site / defense establishment or any other important monuments is located in the area, if, so the details there of with NOC from competent authority, if required.- **Nil**

The user agency has not violated the provisions of forest (Conservation), Act 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction.- (x)

(a) It has been found that the user agency has violated the forest (Conservation), Act, 1980 provisions. A detail report as per para 1.9 of chapter 1, Para C of Handbook of forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is attached.- (✓)

Specific recommendation for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal Project is recommended for acceptance. **Recommended in public interest.**

Place:- Dehradun

Date:- 18.03.2023

Name-Nitish Mani Tripathi

Designation-D.F.O.

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