## GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE MIZORAM::AIZAWL

No. B.22019/20/2019-FC/PCCF/ 35 7 To

Dated Aizawl the / December, 2022

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Mizoram Environment, Forests & Climate Change Department Mizoram, Aizawl

Subj : Proposal for diversion of 2.43278 ha of forest land for construction of Bypass at Chhiahtlang & Serchhip (Package 1) on Aizawl – Tuipang section of NH – 54 in the state of Mizoram-reg.

Ref:

No. 3-MZ B 024/2021-SHI/585-86 Dt. 23.08.2022

Sir,

With reference to the subject and letter no. cited above, I am directed to state that the required information regarding Essential Details Sought by IRO, Shillong under point no. 1 in respect of Compensatory Afforestation is already submitted to IRO, Shillong through Admin Dept vide this office letter No. B.22019/20/2019-FC/PCCF/244 Dt. 07.09.2022 in respect of proposal for diversion of 2.43278 ha of forest land for construction of Bypass at Chhiahtlang & Serchhip (Package 1) on Aizawl - Tuipang section of NH - 54. However due to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 by the User Agency, the IRO, Shillong requested to take necessary action as per FC Pales, 2013 para 1.21 (ii) c&d Accordingly. Divisional Porest Officer, Thenzawl Porest Division submitted violation report vide letter No. 13031/1/2021-TFD/617 Dt. 02.09.2022, No. 13031/1/2021-TFD/620-622 Dt. 09.09.2022 and No. 13013/1/2021-TFD/903 Dt. 02.11.2022 (copies enclosed). The User Agency has submitted representation vide letter dt. 01.11.2022 on penalty. Subsequently, on the direction of Empowered Committee, jointly by the DFO, Thenzawl and DC, Serchhip, the violated area was inspected and reported (copy enclosed). Accordingly, the penal NPV would be revised. Keeping in view the long pendency of project proposal and start of present working season, the matter was discussed with the IRO, Shillong in FRCM held on 18.11.2022 through VC and a request was made that it may be allowed to grant the Working Permission to the User Agency with submission of the ATR on violation separately in due course of time. The IRO, Shillong agreed in-principle and suggested for submission of written request on case to case basis so as to enable the User Agency to get Working Permission on deposit of Compensatory levies and allowing additional time for action on violation including Penal Compensatory Levies.

Therefore, it is requested to take up the above matter with IRO, Shillong for granting In Principle Approval and issuance of Working Permission to the User Agency after realization of Compensatory levies as the working season has already started and the User Agency is requesting for early approval.

Enclo:

As above.

Yours faithfully, (MZ SINGSON)

Deputy Conservator of Forest (FC)

Dated Aizawl the

Memo No. B.22019/20/2019-FC/PCCF/ Copy to :

- <sup>1</sup>Conservator of Forests (CC) for information.
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