

No. 9064
Himachal Pradesh Forest Department

Dated Shimla.-2/ 9.2.2022.

From: DFO Shimla. To: C.C.F Shimla Circle.

Sub: Diversion of 11.7936 ha. forest land for the Construction of four laning of proposed Shimla Bypass from Kaithalighat to Shakral Section (Package-I) of NH-22 (Chainage from Km 128.835 to Km.146.300) in already approved FCA case of the entire section from Kaithalighat to Dhalli. in favour of NHAI, District Shimla HP (**Online Proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/151117/2022**).

Memo: Please refer to GoI office memo No. FC/HPC/06/154/2022 dated 17.01.2023 on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise reply given as under:-

1. The user agency has uploaded the same through online portal.
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4. The user agency has reported that the NOC is under process.
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7. Query pertains to O/o CCF.
8. The user agency has uploaded the reply through online.
9. Necessary correction has been made through online portal.
10. In this regard it is submitted that in Shimla Forest Division no such blank area for plantation are available and the same has been authenticated by the undersigned.
11. During the site visit on dated 03.02.2023, 365 No. of trees has been reduced from the dumping site No. 2 which has been uploaded through online portal.
12. As per the joint inspection report selection of the site was carried out on dated 17.02.2022 in revenue village Shoghi, Goro Kanawn, Mauri, Raghav, Bhad, Chadau, Pujarli, Majhar, Gusan, Jalf, Mehli & Sakral. The site inspection was confined to the selection of appropriate site for dumping, the quantum of trees involved and area required was not done at that point of time. However it has been reported that the area proposed for diversion is lacking any permanent water body. Kindly refer to the inspection of the DFO, it is submitted that the dumping site is located at UPF 218 Goro with three perennial streams (seasonal) and no such water body of permanent nature is involved in the instant case.
13. Efforts has been made to identify the appropriate CA site in the vicinity of the proposed area for diversion and it is further submitted that no such area is available for CA for the instant case. Further the requisite area has been provided by DFO Theog and it has been reported that the patch selected for CA land has got cross verified through RO Kotkhaj where he has reported the site as degraded forest land and does not belong to median forest land. It is further reported that a small patch is having bushes which probably seem

to be plants but these bushes will be removed during preparatory works of plantation.

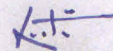
The photographs of the CA area is also uploaded through online portal .



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Tel. No.0177-2623412.

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Copy is forwarded to Project Director - cum - General
Manager & Project Director, National High Way Authority of India Tehsil and District
Shimla H.P for information and necessary action.



Divisional Forest Officer,
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Chief
Report of the Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of concerned Conservator of Forests (CF) to examine the possibility to reduce the number of trees in FCA Proposal "Construction of four laning of proposed Shimla Bypass from Kaithlightat to Shakral Section (Package-I) of NH-22 (Chainage from Km. 128.835 to Km. 146.300) in already approved FCA case of the entire section from Kaithlightat to Dhalli


In response to the observation no.11 raised by the Integrated Regional Office vide Letter No. FC/HPC/06/154/2022 dated 17.01.2023 in FCA proposal "Diversion of 11.7936 ha. of forest land in favour of NHAI, for four laning of proposed Shimla bypass from Kaithlightat to Shakral Section (Package-I) of NH-22 (Chainage from Km 128.835 to Km 146.300), a committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF), Shimla Circle to examine the possibility to reduce the number of trees (especially trees involving in the dumping site) as well as to provide the justification for removal /felling of large number of trees. The committee comprised of the following members:-

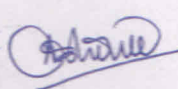
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| 1. | Chief Conservator of Forests
Shimla Forest Circle | Chairman |
| 2. | DFO Shimla (Rural) | Member |
| 3. | Project Director, NHAI
Project Implementation Unit, Shimla | Member |
| 4. | Dy. General Manager (Tech.), NHAI
Project Implementation Unit, Shimla | Member |
| 5. | Range Forest Officer, Mashobra Range | Member |

The site inspection of the aforesaid committee was conducted on 03.02.2023 at 11:00 AM along with field staff of the area. The proposal involves a total of 2373 trees out of which Dumping site no. 2 involves 1697 trees. The said dumping site is proposed in Mundlu beat (UPF-218 Goro) of Mashobra Range and consists of 1263 species of *Quercus* (Ban trees). As per discussion with the officials of user agency, the said dumping site is strategic in location being the tunnel outlet nearby and no such area is available in and around for such purpose and thus the site cannot be changed at this stage. However the following observations were proposed for saving the trees at the said dumping site.

1. The dumping site is topographically situated such that, the left side of the dumping site (while facing the alignment) is quite elevated and when practically observed the muck will be disposed in the lowest lying area of the dumping site and approx. 20 m from the top towards the left will be saved, hence saving the trees located in this elevated portion


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Range Forest Officer
Mashobra Forest Range
Mashobra, Shimla-7





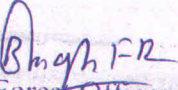
- The site was demarcated on the spot which shall not obstruct with the trees while disposing the muck and accordingly the trees in that area shall be deleted from the enumeration list
- The User Agency along with the Range Forest Officer, Mashobra Range and field staff calculated the number of trees not required to be felled in the dumping site as under.

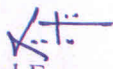
SN	Species	Classifications							Total
		Sapling	V	IV	III	IIA	IIB	IA	
1	Ban	192	119	17	3				331
2	Chil	9	14	2					25
3	Thumbi		1						1
4	Dudla	3	1						4
5	Kainth	2	1						3
6	Buransh	1							1
7	Total	207	136	19	3				365

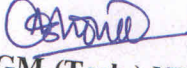
- Hence, from the table provided at Sr. No. 3, it is clear that a total of **365 number of trees will be saved** out which 331 trees are of *Quercus spp.* (Ban) in the dumping site.


It is therefore concluded that the committee successfully examined the possibility of saving 365 numbers of trees especially trees involving in the dumping site no. 2. However, the copy of drawings by User Agency submitted in this regard and revised enumeration list duly authenticated by the forest department is enclosed for your kind consideration and necessary action please.

Chief Conservator of Forests,
Shimla Forest Circle, Shimla
(Chairmen)


Range Forest Officer,
Mashobra Forest Range,
Mashobra, Shimla
(Members)


Divisional Forest Officer,
Shimla Forest Division
Shimla (Rural)
(Members)


DGM-(Tech.),NHAI,
PIU-Shimla
(Members)


Project Director,
NHAI, PIU Shimla
(Members)

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No. Ft TS 370 /Sale.
HP Forest Department,
Theog Forest Division, Theog.
Dated Theog, the 7/2 /2023

From: DFO Theog

To: DFO Shimla

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Sir,

Kindly refer to your office Endst. No. 8583 dated 27.01.2023 on the subject cited above.

As per the observation of Regional Officer on point No. 18 (i) the patch selected for CA has got cross verified through RO Kotkhai and it has been submitted by him that this patch is absolutely degraded forest land and is not a median forest land. A small patch has some bushes which probably seem to be plants but these bushes will be removed during works preparatory to plantation or if necessary the area in this regard will be extended. Certificate in this regard is enclosed.

However, in reply to the observation No. 18(ii) it is stated that the CA scheme has been already prepared on the bases of instructions provided by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Changes Gol under Para 2.8 (ii) of Handbook of FCA, 1980 and FC Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and Clarifications).

Further, in reply to the observation No. 18(iii) it is informed that all Govt. waste lands are declared as PF and UPF under HP Govt. Notification, 1952. Photocopy of working plan of this forest division is enclosed herewith for ready reference please.

It is therefore the report is submitted for information and necessary action at your end please.

Encls:- As above.



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CERTIFICATE

Certified that the 10 hac area proposed for CA in U-455 Thardi, Reoghati Beat, Kalala Block, Kotkhai Range of Theog Forest Division of village Thardi, Tehsil Kotkhai, Distt. was got checked through RO Kotkhai and he has reported that the this area is not a median dense forest and a small patch of it is partially covered with bushes due to which it seems to be a green patch. These bushes will be removed before plantation hence patch selected for plantation is suitable for CA or if necessary the area in this regard will be extended.


Divisional Forest Officer,
Theog Forest Division, Theog.

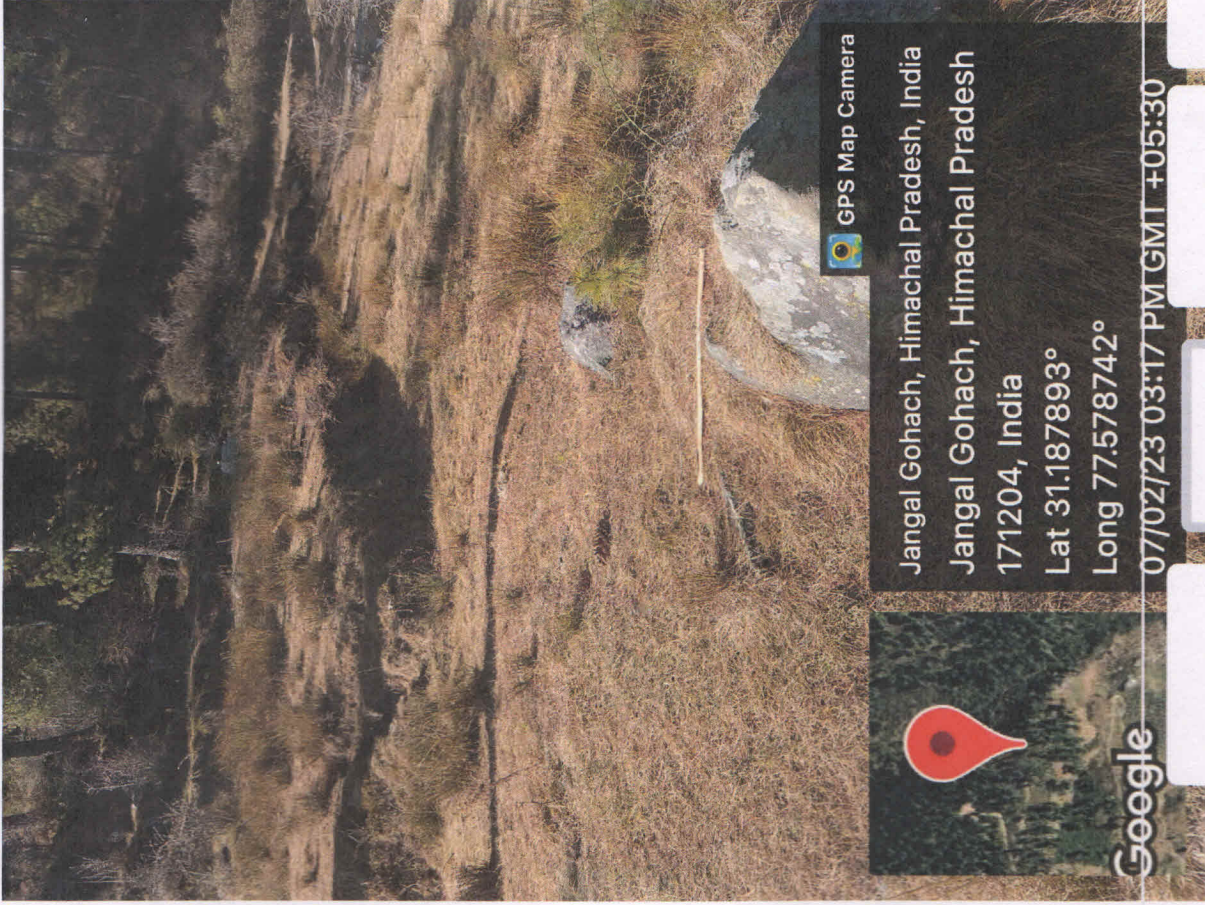
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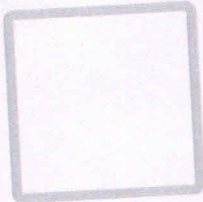
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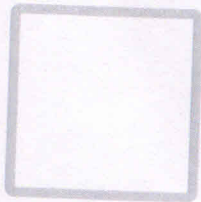


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