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To:

The Addl. PCCF (CAMPA) and Nodal Officer (FCA), Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Env. Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, IB-198, Sector-III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata -700106.

Proposal for diversion of 119.92 Ha of forest land for construction of rehabilitation and upgrading to 2 lane with paved shoulders configuration of section from Rolep to Sub: Menla (length of project Km 37+600 to 93+950) section of NH-717 B in East District of Sikkim by NHIDCL - Addl. information reg.

Proposal No.: FP/SK/ROAD/49640/2020

With reference to letter No. SK-NHIDCL-10/2021/FC/85 dated 28.06.2021, please find Sir. enclosed herewith the additional information for the aforesaid proposal furnished by the DFO (T) concerned in coordination with the User Agency. Brief is given below:-

Query: EDS is not uploaded in PARIVESH from IRO Guwahati nor communication made to IRO, Kolkata, regarding uploading the EDS in portal.

Reply: The required EDS is uploaded now.

Query: According to EDS point No. 2 user agency is ready to pay for double Compensatory Afforestation for the degraded forest land and total 239.84 ha of degraded forest land have been identified by DFO for Compensatory Afforestation are

Reply: Details Hard & Soft copy is enclosed for your reference.

Query: No. of trees to be affected/felled-Trees (56,296), poles (46,067), Malingo (43,000) and Medicinal Plant (6,05,000), How number of trees to be felled can be reduced, reasoned reply is needed.

Reply: During the construction phase the no. of trees/poles to be felled will be reduce to minimum requirement undertaking regarding this submitted by user agency is enclosed in hard copy.

Query: As per proposal, proposed diverted area is 119.92 ha, but as per KML file proposed diverted area is 105.13 Ha which is not matching, it may need to rectify.

Reply: The difference in area proposed for diversion is rectified are enclosed in the CD attached herewith.

Query: The NET Suitable area for plantation as per GIS-DSS analysis is 44.11 ha, which is lower than the actual required CA land area.

Reply: Revised CA land has been identified & KML shape file uploaded accordingly is enclosed in hard & soft copy.

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Query: Geo referenced map of proposed CA land may need to revise. The separate coordinate has not mentioned in CA patches.

Reply: Revised geo referenced map concerned Divisional Forest Officer and map has been enclosed for 239.9 Ha of degraded forest land for CA. A copy of additional information furnished by DFO & User Agency is enclosed for kind information hard & soft copy is enclosed.

Since, the user agency has furnished the required additional information, proposal is resubmitted for according In-Principle Approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, please.

Yours faithfully,

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