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No. D-VI-197(M)/
HP. Forest Department.

From: CCF Bilaspur.
(FCA)

To: Nodal Officer -cum-APCCF
O/o Pr.CCF (HoFF)HP, Shimla

Subject:- **Diversion of 1.3463 ha. of forest land in favour of Jal Shakti Vibhag for c/o Source Level Augmentation of WSS/LWSS by providing LWSS from Govind Sagar Lake at Kut Bounger within the Jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division, Distt. Bilaspur, HP.**

Memo:

Kindly refer to GoI letter No. Ft.FC/HPB/02/38/2021 dated 24.08.2022 on the subject cited above.

The point-wise reply/information to the shortcomings as furnished by DFO Bilaspur is as under:-

Sr. No.	EDS/Observations	Reply to EDS
1	The revised Layout plan is clearly showing that, there is a violation in the proposal. Therefore, State Govt. may submit the clarification in this regard. Further, if the violation made/exist, the desired information/clarification/documents may also be provided on the following points:- (i) The area detail of violated and not violated components.	The detail of area violated and non violated is as under:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Total Area=13463 M² Total violated area=598 M² Total Non violated area=12865 M²
	(ii) Year of construction of the existing structure.	As per user agency the worker of contractor/firm has inadvertently started the excavation work during the month of 4/2023 and broken 598 M ² land and dumped the muck on forest land for which forest Department has chalked out damaged report and compensation amounting to Rs. 3,49,047/- only has been realized.
	(iii) The action Taken Report against the violators as per Para 1.21 (i) and/ or (ii) of FCA Guidelines may submitted/uploaded in the portal.	The compensation amounting to Rs. 3,49,047/- has been realized from the violators of FCA, 1980.
	(iv) Action taken by the State Government against the officials concerned for not being able to prevent the use of forest land for non-forestry purpose without prior approval of Govt. of India.	Since, the compensation on account of damage to forest land has been recovered by the concerned officials hence, show causes notice has been issued to the concerned officials with warning to remain vigilant in future.
	(v) Penal NPV calculation sheet along-with Penal interest @12% per annum from the date of violation to till the date of deposit, as per the revised NPV rates may be provided.	The undertaking for payment of penal NPV is enclosed.
	(vi) The user agency may submit an	The undertaking for additional amount of

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	undertaking for payment of penal NPV and additional amount of penal NPV for proposed diversion of forest area.	penal NPV is enclosed.
2	In Part-II, Para-6, it is mentioned that no danger to erosion in the area as the soil strata is rocky. However, the area of the proposed project which is a semi hilly/sloped terrain and a large number 103 trees of different species of trees are being affected, therefore, state Govt. may review and revise the proposal in pursuance of the MoEF &CC letter dated 07.06.2022 and may submit the Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan (SMCP) along with detail cost of its implementation in this regard.	The necessary undertaking as submitted by user agency is enclosed herewith which is also uploaded online in Part-I by the user agency.
3	According to Part-II, Para-8(i) the wild Boar, Barking Deer, Leopard etc. wildlife are present in and around the forest land proposed for diversion. Therefore, State Govt. may review and revise the proposal in pursuance of the MoEF &CC letter dated 07.06.2022 and may submit the Wildlife Management Plan (WLP) along with detail cost of its implementation in this regard.	The necessary undertaking as submitted by user agency is enclosed herewith which is also uploaded online in Part-I by the user agency.
4	The reclamation plan needs to be reviewed and revised upto ten years instead of seven years and should be duly authenticated by concerned DFO.	Needful has been done.
5	The dimension of the dumping site mentioned in the layout plan as well as component wise breakup area statement is mismatching with the cross section of the dumping site. Further, the dimension of the proposed WTP component is immensely seems higher side. Therefore, the same may be reviewed and revised.	Needful has been done by the user agency. Further, the dimension of the proposed WTP component has been corrected as per the re-submitted plan as per Annexure-B & C.

Encls:-As Above.

Chief Conservator of Forests,
Bilaspur Forest Circle,
Bilaspur, HP.

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Copy is forwarded to DFO Bilaspur w.r.t. his office memo. No. 9929 dated 29.12.2023 for information.