

Dated Bilaspur the/

12/4/2023

From: CCF Bilaspur.

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

Subject:-

Diversion of 2.8736 ha. of forest land for c/o Mini Secretariat at Jhandutta within the Jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division, Distt. Bilaspur, HP.

Memo.

Kindly refer to GoI letter No. FC/HPB/09/67/2021 dated 07.01.2022 on the subject cited above.

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

Sr. No.	EDS/Observations	Reply to EDS
1	Since the proposed project is Non Site-Specific project, State Govt. may upload all alternatives explored on KML file.	Needful has been done by user agency.
2	As per the proposal, the proposed project abutting the State Highway/Tehsil Road Jhandutta. Therefore, State Govt. may provide the NOC from HPPWD for approach access.	The NOC of HPPWD is enclosed herewith.
3	Jhandutta Block only is shown as beneficiary of the project. However, Jhandutta Awal, Jhandutta Doam, Jhandutta Soam, Behran, Thaper, Amroa and Gallian villages are also mentioned as beneficiary villages as per the population list provided. Therefore, State Govt. may mark the locations of all beneficiary villages on KML as well.	Needful has been done by user agency.
4	The State Govt. may provide the NOC from HPSEB if transmission line is passing through the proposed project.	The NOC of HPSEB is enclosed herewith.
5	In the layout plan of the project, dimensions of the proposed segments/ components are not marked, the area statement are also not legible. Therefore, State Govt. may review the same and submit the revised detailed Layout Plan showing the dimensions of the each proposed segments/components, their area alongwith the exact boundary of the land proposed for diversion, duly authenticated by DFO.	The user agency has submitted revised Layout Plan which is enclosed herewith.
6	Green Belt is mentioned as one of the components in the Part-I, Para B 2.4. This component is not justified. Therefore, State Govt. may review this component	The user agency has intimated that the said area is setback area for beautification of the complex i.e. plantation of flowers, grass & small trees.
7	As per the DSS analysis report, all the area i.e. 5.75 ha. proposed for compensatory	In CA area of 5.75 ha. of identified in DPF Swana, the following trees of various

afforestation is falling MDF category. Therefore, State Govt. may review and replace the CA land to another land suitable for plantation and free from MDF density.

V	IV	III	IIA	IIB	IA	Total
114	104	36	17	7	2	280

Keeping in view of these existing trees over 5.75 ha., the density of vegetation is 0.07 which is fit for raising of CA as per FCA guidelines.

8 In proposed project, the large No. of trees of ecologically important trees species (Sagwan, Khair, Shisam etc.) are being affected in the proposal. Therefore, State Govt. may provide the comments regarding Vulnerability of adjoining land/forest areas to the accelerated Soil erosion after/during execution of the project and mitigation measures for the same.

The user agency has intimated that the area selected for the above mentioned project is slightly gentle slope and this patch of land has been proposed in the Centre of the Jhnadutta Town, which is approachable to the people of entire Jhandutta Tehsil. Although, there is no scope of Soil erosion but if it seems that Soil Erosion possibility is there, then the following methodology will be adopted during execution of the said work:-

- (i) The construction will be done in step methods to stop the Soil erosion.
- (ii) It will be ensured that the plantation will be done in setbacks with the consent of Forest Department.
- (iii) Vegetation:- The simplest and most natural way of prevention of Soil erosion is through planting vegetation. Thus, the Soil will be covered with growing grass and planting trees on it.
- (iv) Retaining wall & Brest wall:- A retaining wall will block the creep of the Soil and slow down the collapse.

9 State Govt. may provide administrative approval letter of the project.

The user agency has submitted the copy of budget which is enclosed herewith.

Encls:-As above.


Chief Conservator of Forests,
Bilaspur Forest Circle, O/c
Bilaspur (HP).

Endst. No. D.VI-198(M)/

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Copy is forwarded to DFO Bilaspur w.r.t. his office memo. No.7808 dated 28.10.2021 for information. He is requested to send the reply of EDS on the proper format sent to him vide this office endst. No. 87-88 dated 04.04.2023 to this office in future.


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