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पत्रांक

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दिनांक, चम्पावत

12-10-

2022 ।

सेवा में,

वन संरक्षक
उत्तरी कुमाऊँ वृत्त,
अल्मोड़ा ।

विषय:-

जनपद -चम्पावत मं चारधाम परियोजना के अन्तर्गत टनकपुर -पिथौरागढ़ एन0एच0 125 (नया 09) चम्पावत बाईपास के निर्माण हेतु 8.94 है0 वन भूमि का सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय को प्रत्यावर्तन। Proposal No.- FP/U/ROAD/31090/2017

संदर्भ:-

अधिकासी अभियन्ता, राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खण्ड, लो0नि0वि0 लोहाघाट की पत्र संख्या 1291/6सी0 दिनांक 28.09.2022

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषयक संदर्भित पत्र के क्रम में अवगत कराना है कि चम्पावत बाईपास के वन भूमि हस्तान्तरण हेतु अधिकासी अभियन्ता, राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खण्ड, लो0नि0वि0 लोहाघाट द्वारा दिनांक 15.03.2018 को पोर्टल पर प्रस्ताव Upload कर दिया गया था, जो Regional Officer Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change के पत्रांक 8B/UCP/06/112/2018/FC/356 दिनांक 18.06.2020 के द्वारा HPC के टिप्पणी "Yet to be Started" के आधार पर Consider नहीं किया गया था।

वर्तमान में उक्त कार्य को माननीय उच्चतम न्यायालय के आदेशानुसार HPC के स्थान पर Oversight Committee के द्वारा देखा जा रहा है। Oversight Committee की 10वीं बैठक दिनांक 15.08.2022 को हुई, जिसमें निर्देश दिये गये कि चम्पावत Bypass हेतु Forest Proposal की स्वीकृति पर State Forest department द्वारा अतिशीघ्र (in any case within one month from the receipt of the present communication if the request in this behalf has already been made or within one month from making the fresh request) Decision लिया जाय। जिसके अनुसार मुख्य अभियन्ता-क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी, सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय देहरादून एवं Oversight Committee की 10 वीं बैठक के कार्यवृत्त के अनुसार उक्त वन भूमि प्रस्ताव की स्वीकृति चाही गई है।

अतः उक्त प्रकरण में आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु सादर सेवा में प्रेषित।

संलग्न-सन्दर्भित पत्रों की छाया प्रति।

भवदीय,



(आर0सी0 काण्डपाल)

प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी,

चम्पावत वन प्रभाग, चम्पावत ।

पत्रांक

दिनांकित।

प्रतिलिपि- अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक एवं नोडल अधिकारी, वन संरक्षण, इन्दिरा कॉलोनी, देहरादून को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

प्रतिलिपि- अधिकासी अभियन्ता, राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खण्ड, लो0नि0वि0, लोहाघाट को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी,
चम्पावत वन प्रभाग चम्पावत ।



कार्यालय अधिशासी अभियन्ता
राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खण्ड, लो०नि०वि०, लोहाघाट



पत्रांक 1291 / 6C चम्पावत (बाईपास)

दिनांक 28 ::09::2022

सेवा में,

अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक एवं नोडल अधिकारी,
वन संरक्षण, इन्दिरा कॉलोनी,
देहरादून।

विषय:-

जनपद - चम्पावत में चारधाम परियोजना के अन्तर्गत टनकपुर - पिथौरागढ़ एन०एच० 125 (नया 09) चम्पावत बाईपास के निर्माण हेतु 8.94 हे० वन भूमि का सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय को प्रत्यावर्तन। Proposal No.- FP/U/ROAD/31090/2017

संदर्भ:-

1. इस कार्यालय का पत्रांक 1263/6सी. दिनांक 16.09.2022
2. अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक एवं नोडल अधिकारी वन संरक्षण उत्तराखण्ड देहरादून का पत्रांक 639/FP/U/ROAD/31090/2017 दिनांक 03.09.2022
3. मुख्य अभियन्ता-क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय देहरादून का पत्रांक Ro/UK/Chardham/nh-125/champawat Bypass dt. 31-08-2022
4. दिनांक 15.10.2022 को Oversight Committee की बैठक दिनांक 15-08-2022 का MOM
5. MOEF&CC के पत्रांक 8B/UCP/06/112/2018/FC/356 dt. 18.06.2020

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषयक संदर्भित पत्र के क्रम में अवगत कराना है कि चम्पावत बाईपास के वन भूमि हस्तान्तरण हेतु दिनांक 15.03.2018 को पोर्टल पर प्रस्ताव Upload कर दिया गया था, जो Regional Officer Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change के पत्रांक 8B/UCP/06/112/2018/FC/356 दिनांक 18.06.2020 के द्वारा HPC के टिप्पणी "Yet to be Started" के आधार पर Consider नहीं किया गया था।

वर्तमान में उक्त कार्य को माननीय उच्चतम न्यायालय के आदेशानुसार HPC के स्थान पर Oversight Committee के द्वारा देखा जा रहा है। Oversight Committee की 10वीं बैठक दिनांक 15.08.2022 को हुई, जिसमें निर्देश दिये गये कि चम्पावत Bypass हेतु Forest Proposal की स्वीकृति पर State Forest department द्वारा अतिशीघ्र (in any case within one month from the receipt of the present communication if the request in this behalf has already been made or within one month from making the fresh request) Decision लिया जाय।

अतः मुख्य अभियन्ता-क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी, सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय देहरादून एवं Oversight Committee की 10 वीं बैठक के कार्यवृत्त के अनुसार उक्त वन भूमि प्रस्ताव की स्वीकृति प्रदान करने की कृपा करें।

संलग्न-सन्दर्भित पत्रों की छाया प्रति।

(सुनील कुमार)

अधिशासी अभियन्ता,
रा.मा. खण्ड, लो.नि.वि., लोहाघाट



कार्यालय अधिशासी अभियन्ता
राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खण्ड, लो0नि0वि0,लोहाघाट



पत्रांक 1263 / 6617
सेवा में,

दिनांक 16 :09:2022

प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी
चम्पावत वन प्रभाग
चम्पावत।

विषय:- जनपद -चम्पावत में चारधाम परियोजना के अन्तर्गत टनकपुर -पिथौरागढ़ एन0एच0 125 (नया 09) चम्पावत बाईपास के निर्माण हेतु 8.94 है0 वन भूमि का सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय को प्रत्यावर्तन। Proposal No.- FP/U/ROAD/31090/2017

संदर्भ:-

1. अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक एवं नोडल अधिकारी वन संरक्षण उत्तराखण्ड देहरादून का पत्रांक 639/FP/U/ROAD/31090/2017 दिनांक 03.09.2020
2. मुख्य अभियन्ता-क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय देहरादून का पत्रांक Ro/UK/Chardham/nh-125/champawat Bypass dt. 31-08-2022
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अवगत कराना है कि खण्ड के अन्तर्गत वनभूमि सम्बन्धित प्रस्तावों को ऑनलाईन अपलोड करने हेतु E.L.O. MoRTH देहरादून द्वारा वर्ष 2015 में parivesh पोर्टल पर login आई.डी. piu.dehradun.morth@gmail.com निर्गत करायी गयी थी, जिसके द्वारा चम्पावत बाईपास के प्रस्ताव ऑन लाईन अपलोड किये गये थे। E.L.O. MoRTH देहरादून का कार्यालय कुछ वर्ष पूर्व बंद होने एवं सम्बन्धित स्टॉफ किसी अन्यत्र स्थान पर तैनात हो गये हैं, जिनसे वर्तमान में कोई सम्पर्क नहीं है। वर्तमान में उक्त प्रस्तावों में पोर्टल पर कार्यवाही की जानी है, परन्तु उक्त पोर्टल अपडेट होने के कारण forget password का नोटिफिकेशन पोर्टल पर प्रदर्शित हो रहा है। Forget password करने पर password reset का लिंक email id piu.dehradun.morth@gmail.com पर जा रहा है, जिसका password खण्ड के पास नहीं है। उक्त gmail के

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पत्रांक-

/ FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017 : देहरादून: दिनांक: 3- सितम्बर, 2022

सेवा में,

प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी,
चम्पावत वन प्रभाग,
चम्पावत।

विषय:- जनपद-चम्पावत में चारधाम परियोजना के अन्तर्गत टनकपुर-पिथौरागढ़ एन0एच0 125 (नया 09)
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प्रत्यावर्तन।

संदर्भ:- इस कार्यालय के पत्रांक 59 दिनांक 07.07.2020।

महोदय,

उक्त विषयक पत्र का सन्दर्भ ग्रहण करने का कष्ट करें, जिससे भारत सरकार द्वारा लगायी गयी
आपत्तियों के निराकरण कर सूचना उपलब्ध कराने हेतु आपको पत्र लिखा गया था, किन्तु सूचना आतिथि तक
इस कार्यालय को उपलब्ध नहीं करायी गयी है, जिसके अभाव में प्रकरण पर अग्रेत्तर कार्यवाही की जानी सम्भव
नहीं हो पा रही है। प्रस्ताव के निस्तारण में अनावश्यक विलम्ब हो रहा है।

अतः प्रकरण पर भारत सरकार द्वारा चाही गयी सूचना मय संलग्नकों के यथाशीघ्र प्रयोक्ता एजेन्सी से
प्राप्त कर वन संरक्षक के माध्यम से ऑनलाईन/ऑफलाईन इस कार्यालय को उपलब्ध कराने का कष्ट करें,
ताकि प्रकरण पर अग्रेत्तर कार्यवाही की जा सके।

भवदीय,

(ए0के0 गुप्ता)
वन संरक्षक।

संख्या :- 639 / FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017 दिनांकित।

प्रतिलिपि:- निम्नलिखित को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित :-

1. वन संरक्षक, उत्तरी कुमाऊ वृत्त, उत्तराखण्ड, अल्मोडा को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित।
2. अधिशासी अभियन्ता, राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खण्ड, लो0नि0वि0, लोहाघाट, जनपद-चम्पावत को इस आशय से
प्रेषित कि उपरोक्त प्रस्ताव पर भारत सरकार के पत्र में उल्लिखित सूचना मय संलग्नकों के प्रभागीय
वनाधिकारी/वन संरक्षक के माध्यम से (तीन प्रतियों मूल प्रति सहित) इस कार्यालय को उपलब्ध कराने का
कष्ट करें, ताकि प्रकरण पर अग्रेत्तर कार्यवाही की जा सके।

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वन संरक्षक।

वनभूमि सं/सहा.अडि.पु.ए.ए.

16/09/22

password recovery हेतु Linked मो.नं. और ई-मेल का access नहीं है। जिस कारण Online EDS पोर्टल पर अपलोड खण्ड द्वारा नहीं किया जा पा रहा है।

अतः मुख्य अभियन्ता-क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी, सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय देहरादून एवं Oversight Committee की 10 वी बैठक की कार्यवृत्त की छाया प्रति संलग्न कर आपको इस आशय से प्रेषित की जा रही है कि उक्त के स्वीकृति हेतु अपने स्तर से अग्रिम कार्यवाही करने की कृपा करें।
संलग्न-उपरोक्तानुसार।

पत्रांक 1263/6 सी०

दिनांकित

प्रतिलिपि- मुख्य अभियन्ता-क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी सड़क परिवहन एवं राजमार्ग मंत्रालय (भारत सरकार) देहरादून को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

प्रतिलिपि- अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक एवं नोडल अधिकारी वन संरक्षण उत्तराखण्ड देहरादून को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

प्रतिलिपि- अधीक्षण अभियन्ता रा0मा0 वृत्त लो.नि.वि. हल्द्वानी को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

प्रतिलिपि- सहायक अभियन्ता रा0मा0 खण्ड लो.नि.वि. लोहाघाट को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

(सुनील कुमार)

अधिशायी अभियन्ता,

रा.मा. खण्ड, लो.नि.वि., लोहाघाट

अधिशायी अभियन्ता,

राष्ट्रीय मार्ग खण्ड, लो0नि0वि0,

लोहाघाट।



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Most Urgent
By Mail & Speed post

No. RO/UK/Chardham/NH-125/Champawat Bypass

Date- 13.09.2022

To,

The Chief Secretary,
Govt. of Uttarakhand, Secretariat,
4-Subash Road, Dehradun-248001 (Uttarakhand)
(Email:chiefsecyuk@gmail.com, cs-uttaranchal@nic.in)

Sub: Consultancy services for Preparation of detailed project report (DPR) for rehabilitation and up-gradation to 2-lane/2-lane with paved shoulder configuration & strengthening of National Highways from km 52.00 (Tanakpur) to 202.00 (Pithoragarh) of NH-125 in the State of Uttarakhand - Approval of Forest Proposal reminder reg.

- Ref:- i) Forest Proposal no. FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017
ii) MOEF&CC Letter no. 8B/UCP/06/112/2018/FC/356 dated 18.06.2020
iii) This office Letter no. RO/UK/OC/01 dated 11.07.2022
iv) CE(NH), PWD, Dehradun letter no. 527/25 Ya.Ta-Ra.Ma.-(U)/2022 dated 11.02.2022
v) Hon'ble SC order dated 14.12.2021 on Miscellaneous Application No 2180 of 2020 in Civil Appeal No 10930 of 2018
vi) This office Letter no. RO/UK/Chardham/NH-125/Champawat Bypass dated 31.08.2022

Sir,

This is in reference to this office letter of even no dated 31.08.2022 vide which it has been requested to direct the competent authority in the State Government to deliberate upon approval of the forest proposal of Champawat Bypass (Forest Proposal No.: FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017) on PRIORITY basis as directed by the Oversight Committee and to kindly intimate the decision thereof, positively before 25.09.2022

2. In this regard looking at the exigency and time stipulation set by Oversight Committee constituted pursuant to Hon'ble Supreme court order dated 14.12.2021, for decision regarding the instant forest proposal no. FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017 of Champawat Bypass, it is again requested to look into the matter on urgency basis and intimate the decision thereof, positively before 25.09.2022, so that the approval of Oversight Committee can be sought for sanctioning of Champawat Bypass on NH 09 under Chardham Pariyojna within a stipulated time period.

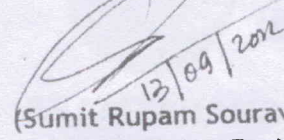
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Encl: - As above

Yours faithfully,


13/09/2012
(Sumit Rupam Sourav)

Assistant Executive Engineer
For Chief Engineer-Regional Officer

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No. RO/UK/Chardham/NH-125/Champawat Bypass

Date- 21.08.2022

To,

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Sir,

This is in reference to discussions held on behalf of the proposed Champawat Bypass on NH 09 under Chardham Pariyojna in the meeting of 'Oversight Committee' held on 21.05.2022, 23.05.2022, 27.07.2022 & 15.08.2022 (copy of MoMs enclosed).

2. In this regard, it is bought to your notice that Hon'ble Supreme court vide it's order dated 14.12.2021 on Miscellaneous Application No 2180 of 2020 in Civil Appeal No 10930 of 2018, permitted widening to 2 lane with paved shoulder (10 m carriageway) of the 3 strategically important National Highways (Rishikesh-Mana, Tanakpur-Pithoragarh and Rishikesh-Gangotri). An 'Oversight Committee' was setup which is chaired by Shri Justice Arjan Kumar Sikri, former Judge of Hon'ble Supreme Court. Oversight Committee would assess the implementation of the recommendations already provided by the High Power Committee (HPC). HPC shall continue with its work on overseeing the implementation of its recommendations for the Project, except for the above mentioned 3 National Highways.

3. As the instant work of Champawat Bypass under Chardham Pariyojna on NH 09, falls under the purview of the Oversight Committee, approval was sought from the committee on the DPR of the proposed bypass submitted vide State PWD Letter no. 527/25 YA TA-RA MA-(U)/2022 dated 11.02.2022.

4. Ensuing detailed deliberations on various meetings (MoMs enclosed), the Oversight Committee vide it's MoM dated 15.08.2022 has submitted following:

4.1 The Committee is of the opinion that since approval/consent of the State Forest Department is imperative in law, it would be appropriate for MoRTH, RO/Dehradun to approach the Forest Department with a request to grant the permission.

4.2 In the said request, the Ministry can place the necessary materials concerning the feasibility of construction of Champawat Bypass and the manner in which the environmental concerns would be taken care of.

4.3 It would be open to the State Forest Department to consider the said request independently, and applying it's own applicable standards, without being influenced by the earlier recommendations of the HPC.

4.4 Once this proposal is submitted to the State Forest Department, if not submitted already, the State Forest Department shall take decision thereon as early as possible, in any case within one month from the receipt of the present communication if the request in this behalf has already been made or within one month from making the fresh request.

5. The status of the original forest proposal for the subject work which was returned unapproved is as follows:-

Forest Proposal No: FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017

Latest Communication vide which the proposal was returned: Regional Office (North Central Zone) MoEF&CC letter no. 8B/UCP/06/112/2018/FC/356 dated 18.06.2020

Time line of the proposal: Copy of Time line enclosed

Brief of tree felling: Tree cutting proposed - 2346 nos.

Recommended Planting - 39330 nos.

Compensatory afforestation - 17.88 Ha

6. In view of above, following are being submitted for your kind consideration & perusal: -

- i. Details of Forest proposal.
- ii. Rapid EIA Report
- iii. Comparative Study of Proposed Bypass Vs. Existing Road
- iv. Abstract of DPR cum Cost Estimate

Further, as directed by the 'Oversight Committee' it is requested to direct the competent authority in the State Government to deliberate upon approval of the instant forest proposal on PRIORITY basis and intimate the decision thereof, positively before 25.09.2022 so that the approval of Oversight Committee can be sought for sanctioning of construction work of Champawat Bypass on NH 09 under Chardham Pariyojna within a stipulated time period!

8. This is for your kind information and necessary actions please.

Encl: - As above

Yours faithfully,

(Sumit Rupam Sourav)

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Minutes of the 10th Meeting of the Oversight Committee held virtually on Monday, the 15th August 2022, 5.00 Op.m. chaired by Justice AK Sikri, Chairperson.

Participants:

1. Justice AK Sikri, Chairperson
2. Dr. Sanjeev K Goyal, Member-Scientist
3. Dr. N. Bala, Member-Scientist

1. The Chairperson initiated the discussion, primarily on the proposal of the MoRTH, Regional Office, Dehradun seeking approval of the Oversight Committee for the proposed construction of "Champawat Bypass (Km. 121.700 – Km. 129.450) on NH 125 in the State of Uttarakhand on EPC Mode improvement to NH Connectivity to Chardham" in the meeting held on 21st May 2022. In this presentation by MoRTH, it was impressed upon the Oversight Committee to give its nod to MoRTH, RO/Dehradun to go ahead with the construction of Champawat Bypass. During the discussion in the aforesaid meeting, it transpired that the High Powered Committee constituted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India had, in its Main Report submitted to the Hon'ble Supreme Court in July 2020 stated that it was not feasible to construct Champawat Bypass having regard to the environmental issues. The State Forest Department, Uttarakhand had also rejected the request earlier. In the circumstances, this Committee, in its meeting held on 21.05.2022 had recorded that it would be appropriate to seek the consent of the State Forest Department first. During this meeting, the Oversight Committee directed the MoRTH, RO/Dehradun to undertake a Comparative Study Statement of existing roads passing through Champawat Town and the proposed alignment for review of the Committee.

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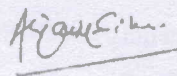
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2. The MoRTH, RO/Dehradun has again sent its proposal on 11.07.2022 stating that the comparative was done and submitted to the Oversight Committee vide mail dated 25.06.2022. On that basis, it has requested for grant of permission by the Oversight Committee to construct the Champawat Bypass.
3. On receipt of the aforesaid request, another virtual meeting of the Oversight Committee along with the MoRTH and other officials was convened on 27.07.2022. Mr. VS Khaira, Chief Engineer/Regional Officer, MoRTH, RO/Dehradun, gave presentation of the comparative study statement on the lines suggested/directed by the Oversight Committee earlier. On specific enquiry raised by the Committee, the Committee was informed that the Forest Department has not yet given its clearance for this project. A statement was made to the effect that the Forest Department had earlier refused to give its consent in view of the aforesaid recommendations of the HPC refusing to accord its approval to the construction of Champawat Bypass. It was stated that that in case Oversight Committee now grants its approval in the first instance, the matter can thereafter be taken up with the State Forest Department for its consent.
4. Oversight Committee has deliberated this issue in today's meeting. The Committee is of the opinion that since approval/consent of the State Forest Department is imperative in law, it would be appropriate for MoRTH, RO/Dehradun to approach the Forest Department with a request to grant the permission. In the said request, the Ministry can place the necessary materials concerning the feasibility of construction of Champawat Bypass and the manner in which the environmental concerns would be taken care of. It would be open to the State Forest Department to consider the said request independently, and applying its

own applicable standards, without being influenced by the earlier recommendations of the HPC. Once this proposal is submitted to the State Forest Department, if not submitted already, the State Forest Department shall take decision thereon as early as possible, in any case within one month from the receipt of the present communication if the request in this behalf has already been made or within one month from making the fresh request.

5. The Chief Engineer, MoRTH, Regional Office, Dehradun may bring to the notice of the State Forest Department, Uttarakhand these minutes recorded in the meeting held today.
6. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

For and on behalf of the Committee



Justice A.K. Sikri
Chairperson, Oversight Committee
Former Judge, Supreme Court of India

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अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक एवं नोडल अधिकारी
वन संरक्षण, इन्दिरानगर फॉरेस्ट कालोनी,
उत्तराखण्ड, देहरादून।

विषय:- Diversion of 8.94 ha of forest land in favour of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways for the construction of Champawat bypass in Tanakpur Pithoragarh N.H. 125 (New 09) under Char Dham Project within the jurisdiction of Champawat Forest Division, Distt. Champawat, Uttarakhand. (FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017)

सन्दर्भ:-अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक एवं नोडल अधिकारी, वन संरक्षण, उत्तराखण्ड का पत्रांक - 2623/FP/UK/ROAD/31090/2017 दिनांक 11-06-2020.

Sir,

Please refer to the subject cited above. In this context the undersigned is directed to say that this office vide letter dated 20.05.2020 forwarded the letter of DIGF (ROHQ), MoEF&CC, New Delhi dated 19.05.2020 wherein it has been advised to consider the proposal related to Char Dham Pariyojna which are mentioned as 'started' by HPC in its report submitted to Ministry vide letter dated 15.05.2020. State Govt. vide their letter referred above, recommended the proposal on the subject mentioned above. However, on perusal of the report of HPC, the proposal is mentioned as 'yet to be sanctioned' by HPC in package 7. As the proposal has not been indicated as 'started' by the HPC, it cannot be considered at present.

भवदीय,

(सन्नी गोयल)

तकनीकी अधिकारी (यानिकी)

प्रतिलिपि सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु :-

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