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सेवा में,

वन संरक्षक, उत्तरी कुमाऊ वृत्त, उत्तराखण्ड, अल्मोड़ा।

विषय — जनपद बागेश्वर के अन्तर्गत राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग सं० 309 ए० के कि0मी० 171.00 से 206.00 (बेरीनाग—चकोड़ी—काण्डा—बागेश्वर—ताकुला) दो लेन में चौड़ीकरण हेतु 18.405 है० वन भूमि का गैर वानिकी कार्यों हेतु राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग खण्ड, लो0नि0वि० को प्रत्यावर्तन (प्रस्ताव सं० FP/UK/ROAD/151120/2022)

सन्दर्भ – भारत सरकार पर्यावरण वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय का पत्रांक 08बी / यू०सी०पी० / 06 / 80 / 2022 / एफ०सी० दिनांक 09.01.2023

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषयक के सम्बन्ध में अवगत कराना है कि विषयांकित वन भूमि हस्तान्तरण प्रस्ताव में भारत सरकार द्वारा आपत्ति लगायी गयी है, जिसका निराकरण प्रस्तावक विभाग द्वारा ऑनलाईन कर दिया गया है, जो निम्नवत है :--

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1	The state Govt. is requested to submi	t the following document/information:
a)	Whether the approval for diversion under the provision of FCA has been taken for the existing road?	The Project Road has been constructed prior to the implementation of Forest Clearance Act, 1980, hence we are in the opinion that the approval for diversion is not required.
b)	If the existing road is prior 1980 the documentary proof shall be provided as per the guideline para 1.13 of the handbook.	PWD letter stating that the project road is constructed prior to 1980 is attached herewith for ready reference
c) .	If the diversion or de-reservation was not taken up the existing road as per the guideline para 1.13 prior 1980, then this should also be incorporated with the present area of diversion.	पूर्व निर्मित मोटर मार्ग का निर्माण वर्ष 1980 से पूर्व हुआ है। भूमि अध्याप्ति हेतु जारी विज्ञप्ति एवं सर्वे ऑफ इण्डिया का मानचित्र संलग्न है।
d)	Details shall be furnished mention section wise requirement of existing width and proposed width.	the existing road is a single lane road of width 3.75m (with extra widening at curves, the road width increased to 4.5m to 4.75m) and the proposed width of the project road is 7m with 1m earthen shoulder on valley side.
2.	State Govt. is requested to submit the cost benefit analysis in the prescribed format.	लागत लाभ विश्लेषण प्रमाण पत्र ऑनलाईन पोर्टल के सैक्शन जी० में अपलोड किया गया है।
3.	State Govt. is requested to submit the copy of the administrative approval for the project.	परियोजना की वित्तीय एवं प्रशासकी स्वीकृति अतिरिक्त सूचनाओं के बिन्दु सं0 42 पर अपलोड कर ली गयी है।
4.	The proposal involved felling of 6596 trees in forest land for the widening of the existing road. Therefore, State Govt. is requested to submit a detailed technical not in	 The Project Road, NH 309-A starts from Ghat in Pithoragarh / Champawat district from NH-9 and culminates at Almora after traversing a distance of 206.6 km. This road mainly passes through hilly terrain

order to justify the requirement of widening and its inescapability.

- and through the towns of Takula, Bageshwar, Chowkori, Berinag and Gangolihat.
- The project will certainly bring better transportation in terms of fast and congestion free movement of traffic and will also ensure improvement in infrastructure in nearby towns and villages along the project road by providing easier access to business centers, livestock marketing and Commercial vehicles, Industries, tourism, cultural and excess Tourist's places. In addition, the improved project road is expected to bring positive benefits for the road users and act as a development stimulant for the state in terms of overall socioeconomic development.

Main Benefits of the projects are as under:

- This road being a feeder route to a strategic route (NH-09) connecting to China Border, development of this stretch will enhance Army troop movement.
- The KUMAON REGIMENT of the Indian Army is one of the OLDEST INFANTRY REGIMENT whose HQ is situated at Ranikhet, will have enhanced Connectivity to China Border via this route.
- This road is an alternate route for Chardham yatra.
 Especially being a feeder route for Kailash Mansarovar yatra, development of this stretch will be equally beneficial for religious tourism as well.
- Connectivity to Gairsen, the summer capital of Uttarakhand will significantly improved.
- Major religious as well as Eco-tourist Destination such as PatalBhuwaneswar, Chakouri, Almora etc will be receiving additional influx of tourist traffic.
- 6. Overall implementation of the project will decrease in length of route by about 6.00km.
- The Horizontal and vertical alignment will be improved significantly there is by reducing VOC and Travel time costs.
- 8. The Project shall also be beneficial for social , economical upliftment of this area and enhance tourism in the Project influence area

5. State Govt. is requested to submit the CWLW comments regarding the requirement of an animal passage plan for the wildlife as the area falls in the Eco-Sensitive of the nearest wildlife sanctuary.

The wildlife management plan for the area affected by proposal in consideration is bound to take time. Therefore, is is requested that as per the guidelines of MoEFCC File No.FC-11/43/2021-FC dated 07-07-2022 use agency be directed to deposit 2% of project cost towards the cost of implementation of wildlife management plan. Forest department will submit

		wildlife management plan before grant of final approval.
6.	The State Govt. is requested to submit the detailed soil moisture conservation plan in view of guideline date 7 th june,2022	The soil and moisture conservation plan for the area affected by proposal in consideration is bound to take time. Therefore, is is requested that as per the guidelines of MoEFCC File No.FC-11/43/2021-FC dated 07-07-2022 use agency be directed to deposit 0.5% of project cost towards the cost of implementation of soil and moinsture conservation plan. Forest department will submit soil and moisture conservation plan before grant of final approval.
7.	After the DSS analysis of the CA area three patches have been proposed for raising CA out of which 3ha area is showing VDF while 33ha area is showing MDF. Further the shape of patch no- 3 (Dwarso 18) in KML file is not matching with the shape provided in digital map. The state Govt is requested to provide separate KML file for each patch along with seoarate site specific CA scheme after addressing the findings of DSS analysis as mention above.	प्रस्ताव हेतु सी0ए० क्षेत्र परिवर्तित कर दिया गया है। जिससे सम्बन्धित समस्त अभिलेख संलग्न कर प्रेषित किये जा रहे हैं।
8.	The area proposed for CA is degraded forest land therefore, the entry of CA area in online Part I is not required to be made. The State Govt. is requested to do necessary correction in online Part I.	बिन्दु सं0 8 में दिये गये निर्देशों के अनुपालन में प्रस्तावक विभाग द्वारा पार्ट । से सी0ए0 सम्बन्धित सूचनायें हटा ली गयी है। जिन्हे पार्ट।। में अपलोड किया जा रहा है।
9.	In the perusal of the enumeration list of trees of the proposal, it is seen that around 3095 trees are of small girth. The State Govt. is requested to find out the possibility of transplantation of some important tree species having slow growth/re-generation.	प्रस्ताव में 0—30 व्यासवर्ग में अधिकांश वृक्ष चीड़ (2897 वृक्ष) प्रजाति के हैं, जिनका प्रत्यारोपण किया जाना सम्भव नहीं है। अन्य प्रजातियों के वृक्ष का प्रत्यारोपण किये जाने पर उनके जीवित रहने की सम्भावना भी अत्यन्त कम है।

संलग्न-उपरोक्तानुसार चार प्रतियों में।

भवदीय,

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