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From: Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

To: The Regional Officer,
Integrated Regional Office GoI, MoEF&CC,
CGO Complex, Shivalik Khand, Longwood,
Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.

Dated Shimla-1, the **16 FEB 2023**


Subject: **Diversion of 19.1788 ha. of forest land in favour of NHAI for diversion of additional forest land requirement for four laning of NH-05 from Shakral Village to Dhalli Section (Shimla Bypass Package-II from Kms 146+300 to 156+560 and Shimla Connectivity from Kms. 0+000 to 0+725 for Design length- 10.985) in already approved FCA case of the entire section from Kaithlighat to Dhalli, within the jurisdiction of Shimla and Shimla (MC) Forest Division, Distt. Shimla, Himachal Pradesh. (Online No. FP/HP/Road/154923/2022)**

Sir,

Kindly refer to your office letter No. FC/HPC/06/181/2022 dated 18.01.2023 on the subject cited proposal.

2. In this Context, it is submitted that the proceedings of Project Screening Committee has been uploaded online portal. (Copy enclosed)

Yours faithfully,


Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA)
O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF), H.P.

MoM ID: FC/MoM/PSC/655588/2022

MoM Date: 02/01/2023

Agenda ID: FC/AGENDA/PSC/205220/2022

Title of Meeting: Second meeting of Project screening committee of FCA proposals to be held on 28.12.2022

Meeting Date: 28/12/2022

Meeting Venue: Conference hall, Forest Head Quarter, Aranya Bhavan, Talland Shimla

Meeting Mode: Hybrid

Opening Remarks: Minutes of 2nd meeting of Project Screening Committee.

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Proposals considered during meeting

1.Project Name : Gravity Zip Ropeway From Nag Devta to Kufri Fun Campus

Proposal Number: FP/HP/OTHERS/402175/2022

User Agency: KUFRI FUN CAMPUS PVT. LTD

Forest Land Area(Ha): 4867.0

Division: Theog(shimla) Division

Brief Description of Project:

Gravity Zip Ropeway from Nag Devta Mahasu to Kufri fun Campus has been a spot for tourism activities for decades. Famous for its freezing cold winters and snowfall it attracts tourism from all over India. Also this is a zip line will serve as the quickest mode of transport to travel from Mahasu Peak to Adventure Resorts and Gallu village

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

Proposal already uploaded on PPARIVESH 1.0 with No. FP/HP/others/142897/2021 and pending with user Agency due to EDS raised by IRO Shimla. It is less than 5 ha so not in the preview of PSC.

Recommendation: Rejected

Recommendation Remark: Rejected

2.Project Name : Diversion of 6.25 HA Forest Land for construction of 3rd stage acclimatisation facilities for Armad Forces by Dogra Scouts under Ministry of Defence at Komik

Proposal Number: FP/HP/DEF/401712/2022

User Agency: DOGRA SCOUTS

Forest Land Area(Ha): 6.25

Division: WL Spiti Division

Brief Description of Project:

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

The following shortcomings have been noticed in the uploaded Proposal :

(1)In the Common Application Forms the land requirement (in ha.) in the project/activity against Col. No. 5.2 Non-forest land has been mentioned '6.25' and against Col. No. 5.3 the Forest land has been mentioned '0' by the user agency. It is required to be correct/reviewed against the column.

(2)In the Common Application Forms, The employment likely to be generated mentioned against Col. No. 7,8 and 9 please be reviewed and clarified.

(3)In the Common Application Forms the copy of note containing justification of locating in the selecting site has not found uploaded at Col No. 14, only toposhet has been found uploaded against the column instead of justification. The justification of the locating project is required to be uploaded against the column.

(4)In the Form -A part-I, against the column No.2.5, the total period for which forest land is proposed to be diverted (no. of years) has been mentioned '100' in online portal. The total period for which forest land is proposed to be diverted (no. of years) '99' is required to be mentioned against the column.

(5)In the Form -A part-I, against the column No.3, the component wise breakup only Dhar Comik has been mentioned in online portal. The component wise breakup of proposed project is required to be mentioned against the column.

(6)All the documents is required to be uploaded as per check list FCA, 1980 against the additional information details in online portal.

Recommendation: Raise EDS

Recommendation Remark: EDS raised.

3.Project Name : NOTIFICATION OF 4806-29-57 HECTARE FOREST LAND FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF MILITARY INFRASTRUCTURE IN FAVOUR OF 172 MEDIUM REGIMENT AT MITHAL THACH

Proposal Number: FP/HP/DEF/402377/2022

User Agency: 172 MEDIUM REGIMENT

Forest Land Area(Ha): 4831.3

Division: Kinnaur Division

Brief Description of Project:

The diversion of 4806-29-57 ha. forest land is applied for construction of Field Firing Range at General Area Nithal Thach (Khanadunti), District- Kinnaur at Reckong Peo (HP) for the units & formation of Central Command at Khasra No. 4/1,412,4/3,8/1,9/1,11, 12min sheet No 539/12/NE of Dhar

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

Proposal discussed in the meeting but couldn't clarify about the requirement of huge area as none from user agency was present. Nodal Officer (FCA) advised CCF Rampur to discuss the proposal with User Agency before next meeting of PSC. However, following shortcomings have been noticed in the proposal:

- 1.The proposal is for diversion of 4806.2957 ha. As it does not seem to be appropriate to divert forest land up to such extent for fire range. The proposal for diversion of such huge area should be reviewed and necessary clarification in this regard be submitted.
- 2.Against Col. No. 7 to 9 of common application form, the employment detail as mentioned may be reviewed and correct.
- 3.Against Col. No. 1.1 of proposal in online portal, instead a copy of note containing justification for locating the project in forest land, a copy of digital map has been uploaded. Justification duly authenticated by DFO concerned be uploaded against this column.
- 4.Against Col. No.2.4 total area proposed for diversion has not been mentioned.
- 5.Against Col. No.2.5 Total period for which forest land is diverted is to be corrected.
- 6.Against Col. No. 2.6 &2.7, the area of forest land and non forest land has not been mentioned.
- 7.Against Col. No.3, component wise breakup is required to be mentioned.
- 8.Against Col. No. 4 & 5, forest land and non forest land has not been mentioned.
- 9.Against Col. No. 7.1, no has been mentioned, yes is required to be mentioned and detail of land identified for CA be given accordingly.
- 10.Against Col. No.14, instead of name of company, name of person making the application has been mentioned.

Recommendation: Deferred

Recommendation Remark: -Deferred to be placed for discussion in next meeting after verifying area to be diverted.

4.Project Name : Diversion of 0.2399 Ha Forest Land for Construction of Ski Training Facilities for Armd Forces by DOGRA SCOUTS under Ministry of Defence

Proposal Number: FP/HP/DEF/401736/2022

User Agency: DOGRA SCOUTS

Forest Land Area(Ha): 6.25

Division: WL Spiti Division

Brief Description of Project:

Diversion of 0.2399 Ha Forest Land for Construction of Ski Training Facilities for Armd Forces by DOGRA SCOUTS under Ministry of Defence.

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

It is informed by DFO Spiti (WL) that actually proposal is for diversion of 0.2399 Ha Forest Land and wrongly typed 6.25 ha.So it will be withdrawn by User Agency.

Recommendation: Rejected

Recommendation Remark: rejected

5.Project Name : Diversion of 2 HA Forest Land for construction of 2nd stage acclimatisation facilities for Armad Forces by Dogra Scouts under Ministry of Defance at Thingchung

Proposal Number: FP/HP/DEF/401722/2022

User Agency: DOGRA SCOUTS

Forest Land Area(Ha): 6.25

Division: WL Spiti Division

Brief Description of Project:

Diversion of 2 HA Forest Land for construction of 2nd stage acclimatization facilities for Armad Forces by Dogra Scouts under Ministry of Defance at Thingchung.

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

In Project screening Committee cases for diversion of above 5ha are discussed and the present proposal is for diversion of 2 HA Forest Land. So it is not in the preview of Project screening Committee.

Recommendation: Rejected

Recommendation Remark: Rejected being less than 5 ha.

6.Project Name : C/o Jwala Mata Mandir Kamla Nagar Gate to JSM Cottage to Shivansh Niwas Koteshiwar Bhawan RD 0/00 to 0/250

Proposal Number: FP/HP/OTHERS/400784/2022

User Agency: HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORK DEPARTMENT

Forest Land Area(Ha): 146300.0

Division: Shimla

Brief Description of Project:

C/o Jwala Mata Mandir Kamla Nagar gate to JSM Cottage to Shivansh Niwas Koteshwar Bhawan RD 0/00 to 0/250.

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

C/o Jwala Mata Mandir Kamla Nagar gate to JSM Cottage to Shivansh Niwas Koteshwar Bhawan RD 0/00 to 0/250. Area for diversion under FCA 1980 seems incorrect i.e.146300.0 ha for RD 0/0 to 0/250.DFO Shimla 'll clarify it from User Agency.

Recommendation:

Recommendation Remark: Area for diversion under FCA 1980 seems incorrect i.e.146300.0 ha for RD 0/0 to 0/250.

7.Project Name : Gravity Zip Ropeway From Nag Devta to Kufri Fun Campus

Proposal Number: FP/HP/OTHERS/402174/2022

User Agency: KUFRI FUN CAMPUS PVT. LTD

Forest Land Area(Ha): 4867.0

Division: Theog(shimla) Division

Brief Description of Project:

Gravity Zip Ropeway from Nag Devta Mahasu to Kufri fun Campus has been a spot for tourism activities for decades. Famous for its freezing cold winters and snowfall it attracts tourism from all over India. Also this is a zip line which will serve as the quickest mode of transport to travel from Mahasu Peak to Adventure Resorts and Gallu village

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

This proposal was already uploaded on PARIVESH 1.0 and pending with User Agency due to EDS raised by IRO Shimla. This Proposal is less than 5 ha so not in the preview of Project Screening Committee. Hence it is rejected.

Recommendation: Rejected

Recommendation Remark: Proposal is less than 5 ha so not in the preview of Project Screening Committee.

8. Project Name : Diversion of 15.1221 Ha. Forest land for Rehabilitation and Upgradation to Four Lane configuration & Strengthening of Thanpuri to Paraur (Package IIC) from Km 85.135 to Km 100.840 (Design Length 16.275 km) of NH-20 (New NH-154) of Pathankot-Mandi Section in the state of Himachal Pradesh.

Proposal Number: FP/HP/ROAD/403988/2022

User Agency: NATIONAL HIGHWAY AUTHORITY OF INDIA, PIU-PALAMPUR

Forest Land Area(Ha): 15.2408

Division: Palampur Division, D/sala Division

Brief Description of Project:

The Proposal is submitted for Rehabilitation and Up-gradation to Four Lane Configuration and Strengthening of Thanpuri to Paraur (Package IIC) from KM 85.135 to KM 100.840 (Design Length of 16.274 km) of NH 20 (New NH 154) of Pathankot Mandi Section in the State of Himachal Pradesh. The proposed Road, NH 154, Package IIC starts from Thanpuri to Paraur Km 85.135 to Km 100.840 (Design Length of 16.274 km). The proposed road is a part of the major link for the movement of traffic from Pathankot to Mandi and connects important towns Kangra and Nagrota Bagwan. The said road is proposed to be widened to 4 lane and the Alignment Improvement Proposal requires 15.2408 ha of forest land and 51.1748 ha of Non-Forest land.

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

This proposal was discussed in the previous meeting i.e., PSC meeting held on 08.09.2022 and 8 observations were raised by the project screening committee which were informed to User Agency vide letter No. nil dated 12.09.2022 and proposal was returned back vide rule 9 sub rule 4 (b). However, in the last meeting it was found that some khasra No. were included in Non-Forest Government land which were under the possession of Forest Deptt. so user agency was directed to verify it. After verification some of Khasra No. were included in Forest land so the area to be diverted under FCA 1980 changed from 15.1221 to 15.2408 ha. User Agency resubmitted the proposal under rule 9 sub rule 4 (c) Now proposal was discussed in meeting and found complete.

Recommendation: Accepted

Recommendation Remark: Project screening Committee recommended the proposal with direction that User agency will change area from 15.1221 ha to 15.2408 ha.

9. Project Name: Proposal for diversion of additional Forest Land requirement for four laning of NH-05 from Shakral Village to Dhalli section (Shimla Bypass Package II from Km 146+300 to Km 156+560 and Shimla Connectivity from Km 0+000 to Km 0+725 for Design length – 10.985 Km) in already approved FCA case of the entire section from Kaithlighat to Dhalli

Proposal Number: FP/HP/Road/154923/2022

User Agency: NHAI

Forest Land Area (Ha): 19.1788

Division: Shimla Forest Division

Brief Description of Project:

Proposal for diversion of 19.1788 ha additional Forest Land requirement for four laning of NH-05 from Shakral Village to Dhalli section (Shimla Bypass Package II from Km 146+300 to Km 156+560 and Shimla Connectivity from Km 0+000 to Km 0+725 for Design length – 10.985 Km) in already approved FCA case of the entire section from Kaithlighat to Dhalli.

Previous Deliberation Details:
NA

Current Deliberation Details:

In Project screening Committee case for diversion of 19.1788 ha was discussed and it was found complete.

Recommendation: Accepted

Recommendation Remark: Project screening committee recommended the proposal.

10. Project Name: Diversion of 7.2834 Ha. Forest land for Rehabilitation and Upgradation to Four Lane configuration & Strengthening of Sihuni to Rajol from Km 51.00 to Km 72.00 (Package IIA) (Design Length 18.450 km) of NH-20 (New NH-154) of Pathankot-Mandi Section in the state of Himachal Pradesh.

Proposal Number: FP/HP/Road/152261/2022

User Agency: NHAI

Forest Land Area (Ha): 7.2834

Division: Dharmshala and Palampur Forest Division

Brief Description of Project:

Diversion of 7.2834 Ha. Forest land for Rehabilitation and Upgradation to Four Lane configuration & Strengthening of Sihuni to Rajol from Km 51.00 to Km 72.00 (Package IIA) (Design Length 18.450 km) of NH-20 (New NH-154) of Pathankot-Mandi Section in the state of Himachal Pradesh.

Previous Deliberation Details:

NA

Current Deliberation Details:

In Project screening Committee case for diversion of 7.2834 ha was discussed and it was found complete.

Recommendation: Accepted

Recommendation Remark: Project screening committee recommended the proposal.