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No. PCCF/FCA/3467/ 6509-10

Dated 17-01-2023

Sub: Diversion of 6.79 Ha of forest land in Nowshera Forest Division for construction of road from Devak-Bambliya connecting Sanki-Deoli & Hathal-Sarroti, District Rajouri, UT of Jammu and Kashmir- reg.

Ref:

- i. Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC Jammu's communication No. 9-JKC-031/2022-Jammu dated 30-06-2022
- ii. Online proposal bearing on Proposal No. FP/JK/Road/152391/2022 received on dated 17-06-2022.

Sir,

This is with reference to the above proposal. The Conservator of Forests, West Circle Rajouri/DFO Nowshera/user agency have uploaded the requisite documents in Part-I and Part-II. The point wise detail is given as under

Sr.No	Content of the EDS	Action taken
1.	The Cost of Project provided under column A-1 vii mentioned 2200 lacs and this amount does not match with the other supportive documents provided under additional information of Part-I online portal. UA may clarify the same.	The correction has been made by user agency under column A-I (viii) in Part-I
2.	The Cost Analysis of the project needs to be provided as per standard guideline issued by MOEF&CC vide letter No. 7-69/2011-FC(Pt) dated 01-08-2017	Revised Cost Analysis of the project has been uploaded by user agency at Sr.No. 6 (additional documents) Part-I
3.	A perusal of KML of the project site, it is noticed that the Hamlets situated were well connected by the road. If connectivity is	Reply has been uploaded by user agency at Sr.No. 10 (additional documents) in Part-I

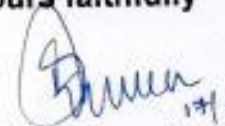
	required through deep inside the forest then alignment can also be proposed from the nearest existing road instead of fragmenting from other side, which appears to be very dense.	
4.	UT Admin may clarify whether the proposal is for construction of a new road or widening of existing road as the hamlets mostly connected by the road	The user agency has replied that the proposed construction is improvement/upgradation of existing road constructed by REW department before 1980. The reply has been uploaded at Sr.No. 10 (Additional documents) in Part-I
5.	The following documents need to duly authenticated by the concerned DFO a. Toposheets b. DGPS maps c. Layout plan d. Enumeration list	Toposheets, DGPS maps, Layout plan and enumeration lists have been authenticated by DFO Nowshera and uploaded in Part-II
6.	Brief note on vulnerability of forest land diverted to the erosion is not properly filled in Online Portal-II. UT Administration may provide proper information along with protection measures to be taken and information regarding the budget for the purpose. If required, the information may be provided as additional document	The brief note on vulnerability of forest land has been filled in Part-II by DFO Nowshera
7.	DFO's specific recommendation as per the format-II of the HANDBOOK OF FC 1980 and FC Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and Clarifications), MoEF&CC, 2019, needs to be uploaded.	Specific recommendation as per the format-II has been uploaded by DFO Nowshera
8.	The specific recommendation of CF is not opening and this also needs to be submitted as per the format of Part-III of the Handbook of FC80 and FC Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and Clarifications) MoEF&CC 2019	Specific recommendation as per the format-II has been uploaded by DFO Nowshera
9.	Upon DSS Analysis of KML of the Project and CA site on DSS portal, following observations are made and need to be complied with: a) Need to revise DGPs map latitude/longitude for the Devak to Bamliya road and Sanki Deoli Road, because some of the latitude/longitude are falling on non-forest land instead of forest land. b) Need to revise DGPS map pdf and SOI Toposheet pdf uploaded under column 13(iii), Part-II, because presently attachment pdf is not opening and it is showing error c) The evaluation of CA site indicates	Revised KML file has been uploaded by user agency of the project site Revised DGPs map has been uploaded by UA in Part-I Revised DGPs map pdf and SOI toposheet pdf has been uploaded by UA in Part-I Revised CA plan alongwith approval to revised CA plan by CCF Jammu, KML file, site suitability certificate has been uploaded by DFO

that in approx 4.5(ha), mature trees are visible, out of 14.33 (ha) in the both CA sites that leave 9.83 Ha for restocking which is less than double to the area proposed for diversion. Hence, Additional CA site needs to be proposed for meeting the target of plantation under CA	Nowshera in Part-II
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As reported by DFO Nowshera, non-forest area of 0.738 Ha of the link namely Sanki to Deoli was included in the forest segment area and same has now been rectified and the involvement of forest area has been changed from **6.79 Ha** to **6.051 Ha**. The number of trees remained the same, as trees were not involved in the non-forest area which was earlier included in the forest area.

As the forest area in this proposal has been reduced to **6.051 Ha**, the Administrative Department is requested that before forwarding to proposal to the IRO, MoEF&CC Jammu the revised recommendation (**Part-V**) may kindly be uploaded.

Yours faithfully



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Chief Conservator of Forests
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Copy to: Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Officer, MoEF&CC Jammu. This is with reference to his office communication referred above