

No./D-Blp/ Bassi Ghawandal/ 8122

HP Forest Department  
Dated Bilaspur, the

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**From:**

D.F.O. Bilaspur (H.P.)

**To:**

C.C.F. Bilaspur (H.P.)

**Subject:**

Diversion of 3.3438 hectare of forest land in favour of HPPWD for the construction of link road Bassi Ghawandal km 0/0 to 6/0 within the jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division.

Memo,

Please refer to your office online EDS dated 14.08.2023 on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise reply to the observations raised vide your letter under reference is furnished as under :-

Sr. No.	Observations	Answer
1	Administrative Approval and Approved DPR of the project from the competent authority needs to be provided.	The user agency has intimated that the Administrative Approval Stands already accorded to this project vide letter No.PW-133-280/81-BLP-2-Works-25667-71 dated 30.11.1981 and DPR for Rs. 552.00 Lac has been prepared and the same is under process for its approval.
2	It has been observed from the KML file that no alternative alignments have been explored. Therefore State Govt. ensures that the user agency will explore the alignments with the least possible distance between the villages to be benefitted and submit the same.	The user agency has intimated that the Alternative alignment is not possible as per the topography of the area and the proposed alignment is the shortest route as explored at site.
3	It has been observed from the KML that all three beneficiary villages are well connected by the existing road. Therefore proposing this new alignment needs justification.	The user agency has submitted that this road starts from Bassi village and ends at Ajnol village both the stations are falling on all weather roads but some scattered populations fall outside of these village and village Ranni is to be connected with this alignment.
4	Under column B 2.4 online Part-I the total forest area to be diverted is mentioned as 3.3428 ha. However, the instant proposal is of 3.3438 ha. The same may be reviewed and rectified.	Necessary correction has been made in B 2.4 in online Part-I by user agency.
5	As per the DSS the proposed DA area falls	The distance of DA from Naina Devi Ji

	<p>within the Naina Devi WLS and its ESZ. Therefore, State Government may review the aerial distance from the PA, and provide the exact aerial distance of DA from boundary of Naina Devi WLS and its ESZ. Accordingly, Comments of CWLW may also be provided.</p>	<p>conservation Reserve is about 3 KM.</p>
6	<p>The layout plan has been provided. However, it does not match the KML provided. Therefore, a digital copy of the layout plan in an appropriate scale which must include a legend and the proper dimensions of each component, such as Carriageway, Paved Shoulder, Earth Filling, Drain and Protection Work, as well as area-wide calculations and Forest/Non- Forest area in different colors duly authenticated by the concerned DFO's needs, be uploaded.</p>	<p>The layout plan and KML file has been uploaded online Part-I by the user agency.</p>
7	<p>Under column K (a) of Part-I online, an FRA certificate has been provided which states that 4.6759 ha of Forest Land is being diverted for the instant proposal. However, the instant proposal is for 3.3438 ha. Therefore State Govt. may clarify the same discrepancies.</p>	<p>The user agency has intimated that the joint inspection was conducted by the committee. As per the direction of the forest department the road width which was proposed 8.00 meter has now been taken 6.00 meter hence the variation the area.</p>
8	<p>A fresh KML of the instant proposal needs to be provided in the polygon form of the diversion area as the proposed area for diversion 3.3438 ha. while the calculated area is 1.90 ha along the Forest/Non-Forest area and violated and Un-Violated part in a distinct color.</p>	<p>The fresh KML file uploaded online on the portal showing forest /non forest area &amp; violated &amp; un-violated part in distinct colour by the user agency.</p>
9	<p>A clear and legible copy of the enumeration list along with the date of tree counting and duly authenticated by the concerned DFO need to be uploaded.</p>	<p>Needful has been done.</p>
10	<p>The Muck Disposal plan needs to be duly authenticated by the concerned DFO.</p>	<p>The user agency has intimated that the muck disposal plan attached duly authenticated by the under signed.</p>
11.	<p>A brief note on the vulnerability of forest</p>	<p>Needful has been done.</p>

	land diverted to erosion is not correctly filled in online Portal Part-II.																	
12.	<p>As per the details provided under column 11 of Online Portal Part-II and the site inspection report from the concerned DFO revealed that a violation has been carried out.</p> <p>Therefore, in view of the above, the following clarification/justification may be provided:-</p> <p>i) The action taken Report against the violators as per Para 1.21 (i) and /or (ii) of FCA Guidelines may be submitted/uploaded in the portal.</p> <p>ii) Action taken by the State Government against the officials concerned for not being able to prevent the use of forest land for non-forestry purposes without prior approval of Govt. of India</p> <p>iii) A fresh Joint inspection Report needs to be uploaded.</p>	<p>(i) In reply to point No. 1, user agency has intimated that the road has been construction long time ago by local Gram Panchayat and residences. As such there is no record available in this office the action taken against violators. However as per Para 1.21 (ii), Bill on a/c of Penal NPV &amp; Note on violation has already been raised and placed in proposal folders.</p> <p>(ii) Since violation has taken place a long time ago as such no record is available about action taken against the official concerned for not being able to prevent the use of forest land for non-forestry purpose without prior approval of Gol.</p> <p>(iii) Joint inspection has been conducted on 17.12.2021 the committee constituted for the roads constructed in violation of the provisions of forest conservation act 1980. Which is placed in page No. 112(1) proposal folders.</p>																
13	<p>The DSS of the CA, site reveals that the complete area proposed for CA falls under the MDF category. Therefore, as per para 2.4 (vii) of the Handbook of FCA, 1980 and FC Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and Clarifications), MoEF&amp;CC, 2019, State Govt. may look for alternate CA sites.</p>	<p>In CA area of 6.6875 hac indentify in DPF Dhalet, the following trees of various species are standing:-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>V</th> <th>IV</th> <th>III</th> <th>IIA</th> <th>IIB</th> <th>IA</th> <th>IC</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>180</td> <td>110</td> <td>70</td> <td>50</td> <td>32</td> <td>15</td> <td>8</td> <td>665</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Keeping in view of these existing trees over 6.6875 hac., the density of vegetation is 0.12 which is fit for raising of CA as per FCA guidelines.</p>	V	IV	III	IIA	IIB	IA	IC	Total	180	110	70	50	32	15	8	665
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