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**Government of Punjab**  
**Department of Forests & Wildlife Preservation**  
**O/o Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF)**  
**Forest Complex, Sector-68, SAS Nagar.**  
**(FCA Branch)**

Dated:19/06/2023

To

Deputy Director General of Forests (Central),  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,  
Northern Regional Office, Bays No. 24-25,  
Sector 31-A, Chandigarh

**Sub: Diversion of 0.0013 ha of forest land for approach access road M/s. Jain Wood Works (Saw Mill) situated at Village Bhunga on Hoshiarpur Road to Dassuya Road, KM 22-23, LHS, Tehsil Bhunga and under Forest Division, Hoshiarpur Online Proposal No. FP/PB/Approach/146580/2021.**

Ref: Your letter No. F.No. 9-PBB321/2023-CHA dated 29.05.2023.

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With reference to the subject above, reply to the observation as per referred letter is as under :-

- i. As stated by the Divisional Forest Officer, Hoshiarpur, the User Agency had applied the said case on Gol website vide proposal no. FP/PB/ROAD/7125/2014 under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, in which some documents were found uncompleted and also the proposal was applied in wrong category. The User Agency were unable to remove the mistakes in time and on other hand due to Covid-19 disturbance, they have applied a fresh case vide proposal no. FP/PB/ Approach /146580/2021, hence, the inconsistency has been occurred.
- ii. The Damage Report no. 1259251 dated 22.09.2021 under Indian Forest Act, 1927 was issued for violation on the site against the User Agency by the Forest officials.
- iii. The Divisional Forest Officer, Hoshiarpur has also submitted that the User Agency hasn't using the way of 70 meter. The area/location was seen vacant on the Google Earth as there haven't any forest pole/plants. Now, tall plants have been planted on the site and User Agency has given undertaking that they have only using 6 meter way only.

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iv. The distance from strip forest = 0.

It is, therefore, requested that Stage-I approval of Government of India under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 to divert the forest area for use of non-forestry purpose may kindly be conveyed.

Basanta Raj Kumar  
NODAL OFFICER (FCA)  
19/06/2023

C.C:-

1. Conservator of Forests, North Circle, Hoshiarpur.
2. Divisional Forest Officer, Hoshiarpur.
3. M/s Jain Bamboo and Wood Works, Saw Mill, Village Bhunga on Hoshiarpur Road to Dasuya Road, Tehsil Bhunga & District Hoshiarpur.