

No. 1658  
H.P. Forest Department

Dated Dehra, the 19/05/2025

From: DFO Dehra

✓ To: CF Hamirpur

Subject: Diversion of 1.5648 ha. of forest land in favour of HPPWD for the construction of link road from Masroor to Ghariar Tehsil Dehra Distt. Kangra, KM 0/00 to 2/786 within the jurisdiction of Dehra Forest Division Distt. Kangra Himachal Pradesh. (Online Proposal No.FP/HP/ROAD/11020/2015).


Memo:

Kindly refer to the observations raised by The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central) Integrated Regional office, Shimla letter No. 1/94934/2025 dated 24.01.2025 on the subject cited supra.

In this regard the point wise reply to the observations is as under.

SR. No.	OBSERVATIONS	REPLY
1.	The aerial distance of the proposed area from the pong dam wildlife sanctuary is 7.61 km. It is requested to provide the comment of Chief Wildlife Warden.	Request has been made to Pr.CCF (WL) for necessary comments as desired. Copy of request letter is uploaded in additional information detail in Part-II
2.	The proposed area is mentioned as 'slightly vulnerable to land slide ' in part II. In this regard, It is requested to submit soil & moisture conservation plan as per guideline.	Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan has been uploaded in additional information detail in Part-I by user agency.
3.	At para 11 in part II, in details of violation, year of violation is mentioned as 1970 but in DFO's SIR, it is mentioned that the same is FC violation. It is requested to kindly clarify the same and submit detailed report also.	Necessary correction has been made at para 11 in part II. It is the case of violation of FCA 1980.
4.	Further, it is not clarified from the details of violation in part II that proposal falls in list of 2183 or not however, in one document uploaded in addl. Document in part I, it is noticed that proposal is in list of 2183. It is requested to clearly indicate the same in part II.	The proposal falls in list of 2183 of roads constructed in violation of FCA 1980. The document showing this road appearing at serial no. 403 has been uploaded in additional detail in Part-II
5.	Administrative approval, muck dumping plan and geologist report are not found uploaded. It is requested to upload the same.	Administrative approval and Muck Dumping Plan has been upload in additional information detail in Part -I and geologist report will be submitted before final approval as well as during construction stage of scheme.

6.	As per DSS analysis, complete area proposed for CA found In MDF. The DFO may verify the density of the proposed area and certify also that whether the area is suitable for plantation of 1000 sapling per ha or not.	The proposed area is having infestation of Lantana weed ( 25-50%) with a few Phoenix trees scattered all over the area. After clearing the area of lantana , the desired number of plants can be accommodated.
7.	As per DSS analysis, State Govt. shall revise DGPS map of proposed area because from one side (either starting or ending point) the coordinates are falling approx 1.58 km away from the proposed KML location.	The revised DGPS map of the Proposed area has been uploaded in additional information detail Part-I by user agency.
8.	<p>As per the decision taken in FAC meeting regarding 2183 cases, it is requested to kindly provide the following details:-</p> <p>A. The State Government shall provide details of action taken against the violation as per provisions mentioned in consolidated guidelines and clarifications issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.</p> <p>B. The State Government shall submit a detailed status report to the Regional Office in case of 2183 road projects for which directions have been passed by Hon'ble High Court of Himachal Pradesh including the detail of proposals already approved under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and the balance cases that are yet to be processed. The decision in such type of cases shall be taken holistically by Regional Office and forward the same to the Ministry along with its comments/recommendations.</p>	<p>Hon'ble High Court of Himachal Pradesh vide order dated September 5, 2013 in CWP No. 5600 of 2012 a/w CWP No. 9797 of 2012 &amp; COPC No. of 56 of 2009 ( copy of order is uploaded in additional information Part-II Relevant part of order is reproduced as :-</p> <p><i>" In the circumstances , we hope that the officials of MoEF or any other department of Govt. of India shall not insist for compliance of furnishing the names , designation and complete address of the officers of the State Govt. responsible for past violations".</i></p> <p>In view of this, it is requested to kindly remove this observation as one time relaxation.</p>

  
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