No. 48-3694/2017(FCA) H.P. Forest Department

From: Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA),

O/o Pr.CCF, H.P, Shimla-1.

To: The Deputy Inspector General of Forest, .

Sub-Office, Ministry of Environment,

Forest and Climate Change, CGO Complex, Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, H.P.

Dated Shimla-1, the

Subject: Diversion of 6.2255ha land in favour of Sh. Tapender Singh Saini, Village

Shubhkhera, Teh. Paonta Sahib, Distt. Sirmour, Himachal Pradesh for the extraction of Sand, Stone and Bajri from Yamuna River bed area, within the jurisdiction of Paonta Sahib Forest Division, Distt. Sirmour, HP (Online No.

FP/HP/MIN/30477/2017).

Kindly refer to your office letter No. 8C/HP/05/27/2021/FC dated 28.10.2022 on the subject cited above.

- 2. The pointwise reply to the observations as raised vide your above referred communication is submitted as below:-
 - 1. CF Nahan intimated that the Revised bill of CA Scheme has been uploaded against appropriate column.
 - 2. In this connection CF Nahan has intimated that the aerial distance of the proposed mining site from the PA i.e. Asan conservation Reserve is about 8.47 Kms and as per Pr.CCF(WL) UK letter No. 20/12-1 dated 03.07.2023 address to Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF(FCA) HP stated that, 'The nearest distance is 8.47 kms and the said project is not likely to have any adverse impact on the conservation reserve'. Copy of the letter already uploaded at Sr. No. 20 in additional information of Part-I.
 - 3. CF Nahan intimated that the he has already uploaded the distance certificate from Colonel Sher Jung National Park at Sr. No. 18 in additional information of Part-I. Despite of this, user agency has submitted the report of Pr.CCF(Wildlife) Haryana in lieu of distance certificate from Kalesar National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary in which concerned authority stated that "the Govt. of India has declared Kalesar National Park and Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary as Eco-Sensitive Zone vide number 1485(A) dated 22.04.2016".

- 4. CF Nahan has submitted the report of Pr.CCF(Wildlife)Haryana in lieu of distance certificate from Kalesar National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary in which concerned authority stated that "the Govt. of India has declared Kalesar National Park and Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary as Eco-Sensitive Zone vide number 1485(A) dated 22.04.2016".
- 5. The revised map is attached showing distance from the ESZ Kalesar National Park and Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary uploaded at Sr.No. 28 in additional information of Part-I and for rest of PAs i.e. Asan conservation Reserve & Colonel Sher Jung National Park, the distance has been already mentioned from the protected area & ESZ respectively.
- 6. In this connection CF Nahan has intimated that the undertaking regarding payment of 2% project cost has already been uploaded at Sr. No. 23 in additional information of Part-I and also stated that 'he had submitted his case online dated 28.11.2017 which is now more than six years & his case has been returned/rejected with new observations, whereas as per guideline of FCA says that the concerned department can raise the observations only once". Moreover, user agency further intimated that preparation of Wild Life Management Plan(WLMP) is still awaited and shall be a reason for further delay & the case which has already elapsed 6 years. Therefore, the payment of 2% project cost will be deposited accordingly.
- 7. Letter of Intent has been uploaded in additional information against Sr. No. 26 of Part-I.
- 8. CF Nahan has intimated that despite getting Environment Clearance user agency did not do any work related to mining till date and EC was applied by them as per requirement/condition of FCA clearance. They have further given an undertaking that no mining activity whatsoever will be initiated before the final FCA approval in the case is received. Undertaking has been uploaded at Sr. No. 26 in additional information detail of Part-I.
- 9. In this regard, of CF Nahan has informed that the said lease area falls in the river bed which has only sand, stone & gravel (bajri) etc. which will be sold in its entirety (fully utilize for sale), hence there is no justification in its case for muck dumpling. Undertaking of the same has been uploaded in additional information details against sr. No. 23 of Part-I.

10. In this regard, user agency has intimated the details of component proposed in proposal is given as under:-

| Sr. | Component detail | Detail of |
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| No. | | area |
| 1. | Total forest area proposed for mining lease | 6.2255 ha. |
| | area | |
| 2. | Total safety zone/green belt area | 1.50 ha. |
| 3. | Balance area for mining lease | 4.7255 ha. |
| 4. | Infrastructure area | |

- 11. CF Nahan intimated that the user agency uploaded the revised DSR report at Sr. No. 29 in additional information of Part-I.
- 12. Correct KML file has been uploaded in appropriate column of Part-I.
- 13. In this regard, it is intimated that purpose wise break-up already given in point No.10.
- 14. In this connection it is submitted that suitable certificate in proposed area for CA has been uploaded in additional information details against Sr. No. 15 of Part-II.

Yours faithfully

Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA) O/o Pr.CCF, H.P, Shimla-1