

No. Ft. 48-3968/2019(FCA),
Forest Department, Himachal Pradesh

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From: Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
Himachal Pradesh Shimla-1.

To

The Deputy Inspector General of Forests,
Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
(Forest Conservation Division) Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003.

Dated Shimla-1, the **23 NOV 2020**

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the central Government under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 75.3931 ha. of forest land for construction of North Campus Central University Dharamshala, Distt. Kangra State Himachal Pradesh (Online No. FP/HP/Others/39044/2019).

Sir,

Please refer to your office letter no. F.No.8-17/2020-FC dated 09.10.2020 on the subject cited proposal.

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

- (i) User agency has submitted report of the committee constituted by the MoHRD vide its letter No. 42-24/2009-Desk (U) dated 17.05.2013 in the old proposal has been uploaded online against additional information details in Part-I. Copy of same is enclosed herewith.
- (ii) The DFO concerned has submitted that no VDF/MDF exists on the spot of area selected for compensatory afforestation and certificate of suitability of forest area for compensatory afforestation is enclosed herewith.
- (iii) User agency has submitted the approved muck disposal plan has been uploaded online against additional information details in Part-I. Copy of same is enclosed herewith.
- (iv) The user agency has submitted that classification of the non-forest land 20.8049 ha. proposed as open area is Gair Mumkin Khad. Being a river bed the area is not suitable for carrying out any type of construction activity.
- (v) The SoI map with three alternatives examined has been uploaded against additional information details online in Part-I. Soft copy KML file & copy of alternatives examined are enclosed herewith.
- (vi) The user agency has submitted that forest land 81.7916 ha. diverted for the establishment of satellite campus of Central University of Himachal Pradesh at Dehra in Kangra district has not yet been handed over to the user agency. The compliance report of the conditions of the "Final Approval" granted by Dy. Inspector General of Forests (FC), GoI, MoEF &CC, FC division, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh road, Aliganj, New Delhi-03 vide letter F.No. 8-120/2011-FC dated 11.12.2018 shall be submitted after the land is handed over.

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- (vii) The user agency has submitted the master plan including KML file of old campus of Central University of Himachal Pradesh (satellite campus). Copy of same is enclosed herewith.
- (viii) In view of Para 2.5 (i)(f) of Chapter-2 of GoI Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and Forest Conservation Rules, 2003 (Guidelines and Clarifications) updated upto 2019, being the central Government project, the certificate from the Chief Secretary of the State in respect of non-availability land outside notified forest lands for CA has not been obtained.

Yours faithfully,

Encls: As above

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

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Copy for information is forwarded to:-

1. The Dy. Director General of Forests (Central), GoI, MOEF & Climate Change, Regional Office (North-Central Zone), 25, Subhash Road, Dehradun-248001, Uttarakhand.
2. CCF Dharamshala, w.r.t. to his memo No.8836 dated 19.11.2020.
3. DFO Dharamshala.
4. The Secretary, Himachal Pradesh of Board of School Education, Dharamshala, Distt. Kangra, H.P.

Received 23/11/2020
Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA)
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