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कार्यालय वन संरक्षक, शिवालिक वृत्त, उत्तराखण्ड, देहरादून।

पत्रांक- 3251 / 12-1 दिनांक, देहरादून, 23. जून 2022

सेवा में,

अपर प्रमुख वन संरक्षक/नोडल अधिकारी
वन संरक्षण, उत्तराखण्ड, देहरादून।

विषय : Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 87.0815 ha. of forest land for "Expansion of the Jolly Grant Airport: under Forest Division and district Dehradun of the State of Uttarakhand" (Online Proposal no. FP/UK/Others/44884/2020) reg.

संदर्भ : भारत सरकार की पत्र सं०- 8-19/2020-FC Dated- 24-01- 2022

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषयक प्रस्ताव संख्या-FP/UK/OTHERS/44884/2020 पर भारत सरकार द्वारा लगाई गई बिन्दुवार आपत्तियों का निराकरण प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी, देहरादून वन प्रभाग के पत्रांक 4128/12-1 दिनांक 20.06.2022 (संलग्नक-01) से प्राप्त सूचना के आधार पर निम्न प्रकार प्रेषित किया जा रहा है -

S.No.	Questions	Answer
i.	As per the justification given by the State that there is no alternative available for expansion of the Airport, however, approximately 10.0 ha of land on the western side of the existing Runway seems to be available as blank. The State Government may submit its view to utilize this land for the expansion of runway or other ancillary facilities to minimize the use of forest land. As per the layout plan certain activities has been proposed on forest land which are non-site specific like parking (three numbers) and city side development activities. The same me be shifted on this land.	The Airport Authority of India vide its letter no- भा.वी.प्रा. / देहरादून / अभि.(सी)/2022/425-26 dt. 09-03-22 (Annx.-2) has submitted that "As can be seen from the master plan attached, presently there is no land available on the western side of the existing runway where parking (03 nos) can be shifted..It is requested to clarify the said location on attached master plan".
ii.	Site suitability certificate as stated by the State is not found in the Online additional information column in Part-II.	Site suitability certificate has now been uploaded in the online additional information column in part-II. A copy of the site suitability certificate is being annexed (Annexure-3) with this letter.
iii.	Certificate for non-availability of non-forest land in the entire State of Uttarakhand from Chief Secretary Uttarakhand has not been provided by the state as requested by the Ministry.	Certificate for non-availability of non-forest land in the entire State of Uttarakhand from Chief Secretary Uttarakhand has already been uploaded in the additional information by the state as requested by the Ministry. A copy of the certificate is being annexed (Annexure-4) with this letter.
iv.	The State may take up the case on priority basis in the Hon'ble High Court Uttarakhand and may get final order to avoid a fait accomplish situation.	UCADA is taking up the matter on priority basis in the Hon'ble High Court Uttarakhand.
v.	From the DSS analysis it has been observed that the shape of revised boundary of 70 ha forest land is totally different from the shape of the previously provided boundary of 70 ha. More than half of the area of the existing runway has been excluded from the KML file provided now. Clarification be submitted by the State regarding huge difference in the shape of the KMLs.	Considering the discrepancies between both the KML files, UCADA sought reports from concerned Divisional Forest Officer and Sub Divisional Magistrate. DFO has provided the map of the 70.0 hectare forest land transferred in the year 2002 (Annexure-5) which may be considered for future reference. It is also brought to your kind knowledge that in addition to the forest land transfer, land has been acquired in the villages of Athoorwala and Jolly grant for the construction of Jolly grant Airport, notification regarding the details of acquisition are attached as (Annexure-6) for your reference.

vi.	As per the layout plan certain activities has been proposed on forest land which are non-site specific like parking (three numbers) and city side development activities. The same may be shifted on non-forest land.	The Airport Authority of India vide its letter no- भा.वी. प्रा/देहरादून/अभि(सी)/2022/425-26 dated 09-03-2022 (As per Annexure-2) has submitted that "As can be seen from the master plan attached, presently there is no land (non-forest) available with AAI where parking (03 nos) and city side development can be shifted. It is requested to clarify the land (non-forest) on attached master plan".
vii.	In addition to the above, it has been noticed that the plantation done against previous approval is not visible through the time series data of high-resolution GE images. Therefore, it is not clear whether, plantation exists or not? The survival rate of the plantation is also reported less than 40%. Therefore, the State Government is requested to submit evidence of the plantation carried out in 2003 with expenditure incurred.	The evidences of the plantation carried out in 2003 and the expenditure incurred has already been reported by DFO, Dehradun vide Letter no-3493/12-1 dated- 19-04-2022. As annexure to the above mentioned letter the plantation journals of all the 14 sites have been submitted.

अतः कृपया प्रस्ताव की स्वीकृति के सम्बन्ध में अग्रेतर कार्यवाही करने की कृपा करें।

संलग्नक :- उपरोक्तानुसार।

भवदीय

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पत्रांक :- 3251 / 12-1 तददिनांकित।

प्रतिलिपि :- प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी, देहरादून वन प्रभाग, देहरादून को उनके उपरोक्त उल्लिखित पत्र के क्रम में सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

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