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No.Ft. 48-5441/2021 (FCA),

1/234940/2023 Forest Department, Himachal Pradesh

From: Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

To: The Deputy Inspector General of Forest,

Incharge Sub Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, CGO Complex, Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, HP.

Dated Shimla-1, the

Subject: Diversion of 0.3122 ha. forest land in favour of HPPWD, for the construction

of link road from Chanjyar to Kaloh (kms 0/0 to 2/690), within the jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division, Distt. Bilaspur, H.P. (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/

Road/145508/2021).

Sir,

Kindly refer to your office letter FC/HPB/06/141/2022 dated 10.10.2022 on the subject cited proposal.

- 2. The pointwise reply to the observation as raised vide your above referred communication is submitted as below:-
 - 1. A road having length of approximately 590 mtr width has been constructed long time ago by local Gram Pachayat and residents. As such there is no record available in his office about the action taken against violators. However, as per Para 1.21 (ii), penal NPV bill on account has already been raised.
 - 2. Revised KML file and layout plan has been uploaded online Part-I.
 - 3. Revised layout plan showing chaing-age wise length and width of forest, non forest land and dumping site with distinct colours has been uploaded in online part- I.
 - 4. The administrative approval will be submitted after stage-I approval along with the compliance report. They have applied for Administrative Approval to the Chief Engineer (HZ) HP, (PWD) Hamirpur vide letter No.PWD/CE(HZ)WS-WA-III/link road Chanjyar to Kaloh/2021-9632-33 dated 22 Oct, 2021. User agency has further certified that DPR has been initiated and same will be completed before the final approval in this regard undertaking of Administrative Approval has been uploaded online against additional information detail.
 - 5. Needful has been done.

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- (i) No Non Forest land is available in Distt. Bilaspur as all Govt. land over which Govt. has proprietary rights has been classified as Forest land vide notification No. Ft.(a)-1/52 dated 15 Jan, 1952 issued by the Secretary to Chief Commissioner of the erstwhile Chief Commissioner's province. Also private land is available only enough for survival of land holders, so dumping sites is not possible on the private land.
- (ii) The user agency has intimated that the cutting required in some reaches for widening of already constructed road because width of proposed road (already constructed road) is jeepable standard i.e. 2 to 3 mtrs. So dumping sites are required to adjust generated muck/material.
- 7. There are no trees standing over the dumping sites.
- 8. The distance of DA from Naina Devi Ji Conservation Reserve is about 25 Km.
- 9. Compensatory Afforestation in diversion cases of less than 1 ha. as per clouse 3.2 (vii) of Chapter 3 on Compensatory afforestation of Handbook of Forest Conservations Act, 1980 (with amendments made in 1988) and Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003 (with amendments made in 2004) Guidelines and clarification by Govt. of India MoEF.
- 10. Needful has been done.
- 11. The CA scheme has been provided on the format as approved by PCCF (HoFF) HP Shimla.
- 12. As per approved working plan of Bilaspur Forest Division the proposed CA area is classified as UPF, which is under the control of Forest Department.
- 13. The Muck Management Plan duly countersigned by the DFO and also uploaded online against additional detail.
- 14. As per enumeration of trees existing on proposed diversion area there are 8 trees and 0 sapling are exists as such over all density of diversion area is 0.04 which comes under open forest.
- 15. The proposed CA area is infested with 100% lantana and overall crown density in the area is below 0.4 as such this area is fit for raising of CA as per guidelines.
- 16. Correction has been done in KML file by user agency.

Yours faithfully,