

Dated Bilaspur, the 28/02/2025

From: DFO Bilaspur.

To:- CF Bilaspur.

Subject: Diversion of 3.9654 ha (instead of 5.5334 hectare) of forest land in favour of HPPWD for the construction of link road from Khal Tiba Km o/o to 7/0 within the jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division.

Memo:-

Kindly refer to your office online EDS Dated 01.01.2025 on the subject cited above.

The point wise reply to the observations is raised by you vide your letter quoted above is furnished as under:-

Sr. No.	Observations	Answer								
1	In reference of the observation No. 2, Reply is not accepted, details regarding the 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 was sought. In reference to this State Govt has not submitted any action taken reports. Therefore, State Govt shall submit the detailed and fact full report with supporting documents, duly authenticated by DFO concerned.	As per Note on violation submitted by user agency which is placed in proposal folder at page No. 88, this path/track is constructed by the local people/local authorities about 22 years back with a formation width of 2.00 to 2.50 meters. As such there is no record available in this office about the action taken against violators. However as per Para 1.21 (ii), Bill on a/c of Penal NPV has already been raised and placed in proposal folders. Hence at this later stage it is not possible to take action under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.								
2	In reference of the observation No. 3 Reply is not Accepted, 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 was sought from the State Govt. 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. In reference to this, State Govt. has not submitted the relevant and fact full reply. Therefore, State Govt. shall submit the detailed Status reports of the 2183 road projects for which directions have been passed by Hon'ble High Court of Himachal Pradesh.	<p>The user agency has intimated that the road is appearing in the list of 2183 road proposals constructed in violation of FCA, 1980 as the same has been depicted at Sr. No. 137. This road has been already constructed by local people as jeepable standard road to provide access to villagers for Safety consideration as the area is hilly terrain. This road was not constructed by the HPPWD, hence the proposal for connecting the villagers of village Khal &amp; Makri initiated to regularize the already constructed jeep able road and further construction of the motor able road to provide bus/ transport facility to the villagers. It is further submitted that as per user agency out of 2183 road projects, only 59 road projects were concerned to this division. The status of these road projects is an under:-</p> <table><tr><th>Total No. of Road Projects</th><th>No. of Road Projects for which In Principle approval have been received</th><th>No. of Road Projects for which Final Approval s have been received</th><th>No. of Road Projects which are under process for obtaining In Principle Approval.</th></tr><tr><td>59</td><td>5</td><td>4</td><td>50</td></tr></table>	Total No. of Road Projects	No. of Road Projects for which In Principle approval have been received	No. of Road Projects for which Final Approval s have been received	No. of Road Projects which are under process for obtaining In Principle Approval.	59	5	4	50
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