



No.D-IV-1(S)/ 1533

Dated Dharamshala, the 24/5/22

From: CCF Dharamshala

To: Nodal Officer-Cum-APCCF FCA
O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF) HP. Shimla.

Subject: Diversion of 2.9696 ha. of forest land in favour of Municipal Corporation Dharamshala, Distt. Kangra for the construction of Solid Waste Management Plant in Up Mohal Dharamshala, within the jurisdiction of Dharamshala Forest Division, Distt. Kangra, H.P.

Memo:

Kindly refer to the EDS raised by Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, CGO Complex, Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh – 171001 vide letter No. 8B/H.P/09/90/2021/FC/210 dated 27.08.2021 on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise reply of the observations submitted by DFO Dharamshala is as under:-

- i. As submitted by the User Agency, vide letter No. DMC Sant (F)-12-(3)/2022-645 dated 05.05.2022, all the Components have been marked in the Layout Plan and mentioned in online Part-I, B 2.4. The detail of Component wise breakup has been uploaded online against Additional information and enclosed herewith in duplicate.
- ii. As submitted by the User Agency, the copy of Administrative Approval has been uploaded online against Additional information and is enclosed herewith in duplicate.
- iii. As submitted by the User Agency, the Construction of this Project will generate 12000 man days of Temporary employment during construction and about 14 persons will get permanent employment during the life of Project for running and maintenance of the Project. The detail has been corrected in online Part-I, Part-E (II) and III.
- iv. As submitted by the User Agency, the Alternative alignments have been marked in the KML file and detail of alternatives is enclosed herewith in duplicate.
- v. As submitted by the User Agency, all the wards of Municipal Corporation Dharamshala have been marked in the KML file and detail of Beneficiary Wards alongwith their population is enclosed herewith in duplicate.
- vi. As submitted by User Agency, the Dumping of Solid Waste is being done in 0.75 hac. of forest land since the year 1977 but no such record is available with the User Agency, as the Municipal Corporation Dharamshala was established in the year 2015. No. permission was taken for the use of this land from any Department. The fencing of this 1.5717 hac. forest land was done by the then Municipal Council Dharamshala. The Municipal Corporation has not done illegal dumping outside this area. The Local Panchayat has submitted written complaints to the judiciary for this illegal dumping. The Forest Department on various occasions have stopped the Corporation from dumping the Solid Waste, but as there is no other place available with Municipal Corporation, the area is

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opened after imposing penalty. The proposal has been submitted for diversion of 2.9696 hac. of forest land as per Hon'ble NGT Court Order dated 29.03.2019 (copy enclosed) wherein it is mentioned that there is need to set up Municipal Solid Waste Processing Plant adopting cluster approach for processing of biodegradable waste and segregation recycling of other waste. The proper disposal of the Solid Waste can only be done also the land is diverted in favour of Municipal Corporation. The diversion of said land is necessarily required as the land proposed is bare minimum required for setting of Solid Waste Plant of processing of Solid Waste with modern approach. An attested copy of Certificate submitted earlier, regarding the possession of 1.5717 hac. of forest land prior to 1980 has been enclosed by User Agency, The Forest Department has detained the Municipal vehicles on various occasions but as the chaos rises, the area has to be re-opened. Further as per the directions of the Hon'ble NGT Court, the Municipal Corporation of Dharamshala has applied for land diversion case.

- vii. The Eco class in Part-II, Para-4(II) has been revised as Eco class VI open Forest and revised bill of NPV is enclosed herewith.
- viii. The Geographical Area of District Kangra has been corrected in online Part-II and revised Part-II is enclosed herewith in duplicate.

It is therefore, requested that necessary approval for the diversion of above mentioned proposal may kindly be obtained from the Govt. of India under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and conveyed to this office please.

Encl: As above.

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Copy is forwarded to DFO Dharamshala with reference to his office memo.No.595/RK dated 17.05.2022 for information.

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