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Dated: 22/10/2022

The Conservator of Forests,  
East Circle, Jammu.

**Sub:** Construction of 27 mtr span double lane motorable steel Girder bridge over Sugal Khad at Guni including construction of approach road Gunni to Sarthan District Kathua, UT of Jammu and Kashmir-reg.

**Ref:** Your office letter No. 364/FCA/CFE/J Dated 29/06/2022.

Sir,

Apropos to the subject and reference cited above, the point wise reply to the EDS raised by the DIGF (Central) Regional Officer IRO, Jammu is given as under:-

S. No.	EDS raised	Reply
1	The Reply submitted by the UT Administration vide its letter No. PCCF/FCA/3314/1649-50 dated 20/06/2022 regard to the Administrative Approval from the competent authority for the entire stretch of 6.00 km of proposed road is not plausible, and this proposal cannot be processed of written Administrative Approval for 6.00 Km of road.	As reported by the user agency vide its letter No. 5152-55 Dated 05/08/2022 in response to the instant EDS, the user agency has reduced the length of the proposal from 6.00 Km to 5.00 Km (as per Administrative Approval), as a result of which the Forest area has been reduced from 2.3 hac to 1.71 hac. and the area of private land (Non Forest land) reduced from 2.97 hac to 2.79 hac. Now the user agency has uploaded revised proposal in this regard.
2	In absence of written Administrative approval for 6.00 km of road the proposal of diversion for 2.5453 hac of forest land in Kathua Forest Division may be recast corresponding to the Construction of Bridge over Sugal Khad on Manu Hatli road in the instant proposal.	

Hence submitted for favour of information and necessary action please.

Yours faithfully,

  
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Copy submitted to: -

1. The Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu for favour of information please.
2. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal Officer), FCA O/o PCCF (HoFF) for favour of information please.

  
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