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No.Ft.48-5662/2022/ (FCA)
H.P. Forest Department.

From: Nodal Officer-cum-APCCF (FCA)
O/o Pr.CCF, H.P, Shimla-1

To: Integrated Regional Officer, Ministry of Environment,
Forest and Climate Change, CGO Complex,
Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, H.P.

Dated Shimla-1, the

Subject: **Diversion of 6.472 ha of forest land in favour of Atal Medical & Research University for the construction of Atal Medical & Research University at Nerchowk Tehsil Balh Distt. Mandi, within the jurisdiction of Suket Forest Division, Distt. Mandi Himachal Pradesh. (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/Others/152581/2022).**

Sir,

Kindly refer to your office letter No. FC/HPB/51/2023 dated 24-4-2023 on the subject cited above.

2. The point wise observation raised vide above referred communication is attended as under:-

1. The user agency submitted that the land holding in HP is very less and most of the people of the State are dependent on their land for their livelihood. There is no private an non-forest land available for the said project and this project is essential for the State due to its importance in Medical Sector and an opportunity to the youths of the State to provide a better place for their future. Undertaking in this effect has been uploaded at Sr. No. 16 against the additional information detail of Part-I.
2. The user agency submitted that the said project is related to Medical Education which is an important part of human Life and this is a Medical Research University which will explore extra ordinary medical education and great facilities in the field of medical education and residential component is an essential part of the project. Moreover, there is a provision in FCA guidelines that Residential component is allowed in special cases up to 1 ha. Hence, the said case cannot be escaped. The same has been uploaded at Sr. No. 16 against the additional information detail of Part-I.
3. The status of proposed diversion area is Gair Mumkin Khadd having Khasra No. 507. It is a waste land and under in possession of HP Govt. where forest laws are applicable. Nakal jambandi has been uploaded against the additional information detail of Part-I.
4. Flooding remains the most common and one of the most costly categories of natural hazards and various mitigation measures will be adopted to protect the ecology and loss to the life and property, R/wall and B/wall and plantation along the project site by adopting engineering methods will be used to stop the soil erosion.
5. The project site is adjacent to existing road of HPPWD and does not require any approach road.

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6. The user agency has submitted that revised cost benefit analysis has been uploaded against the appropriate column of Part-I.
7. The revised KML file has been uploaded against the appropriate column of Part-I.
8. The user agency submitted that the case for environment clearance is yet to be filed.
9. The user agency has uploaded the complete FRA certificate alongwith all annexure against the appropriate column of Part-I.
10. The CA land is situated in Khasra No. 1266 of Muhal Tikker Tehsil Bhadrota Distt. Mandi, HP. The status of CA land is DPF Tikkar Hadbast No. 333 which is in the ownership of State Government and possession of HP Forest Department. Concerned revenue papers have been uploaded at Sr. No. 16 against the additional information detail of Part-I.

Yours faithfully,

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