

No. Ft. 48-5139/2020(FCA)
Forest Department, Himachal Pradesh

From: Nodal Officer-cum-PCCF (FCA),
O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF), H.P.

To: The Deputy Inspector General of Forest,
Sub Office, Ministry of Environment,
Forest and Climate Change, CGO Complex,
Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla, HP.

Dated Shimla-1, the

Subject: Diversion of 3.3438 ha of forest land in favour of HPPWD for the construction of link road Bassi to Ghawandal km. 0/0 to 6/0 within the jurisdiction of Bilaspur Forest Division, Dist. Bilaspur, H.P.-reg. Online proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/39140/2019.

Sir,

Kindly refer to your office letter No FC/HPB/76/2023 dated 14.08.2023 on the subject cited proposal.

2. The point-wise reply to the observation as raised vide your above referred communication is submitted as below: -

1. The user agency has intimated that the Administrative Approval and Expenditure Approval was accorded by the competent authority and the photocopy of budget book depicting the budget provision for the financial year 2023-24 for this road and this regarding MLA priority approval are already uploaded against additional information detail in online Part-I at S.No. 21 FCA folder .Further, the process of obtaining revised administrative approval is under process and Pre-Feasibility with estimate budget detail as per latest rate is uploaded against additional information detail in online Part-1.
2. Revised KML file has been uploaded of Part-I.
3. UA has submitted that this road starts from Bassi village and ends at Ajnol village, both the stations are falling on all-weather roads but some scattered populations fall outside of these villages and village Ranni is to be connected with this alignment.
4. Necessary correction has been made in online Part-I under column B 2.4 and the total forest area proposed for diversion has been rectified from 3.3428 ha to 3.3438 ha accordingly.
5. The distance of DA from Naina Devi ji Conservation Reserve is about 3.00 KM and certificate given by DFO uploaded at S.No. 21 under additional information details in Part-I.
6. The layout plan and KML file has been uploaded in online Part-I by the UA.
7. User Agency has intimated that the joint inspection was conducted by the committee. As per the direction of the forest department the road width which was proposed 8 mtr. has now been reduced to 6 mtr. Hence the variation of the area.

8. The fresh KML file uploaded online on the portal showing forest/non-forest area & violated/ non violated part in distinct colour by the UA.
9. Needful has been done and a clear, legible, and duly authenticated copy of the enumeration list along with the date of tree counting has been uploaded online.
10. The muck disposal plan attached is duly authenticated by DFO.
11. Needful has been done and the required information has been correctly updated in the online Part-II.
12. In reply to Point No. i, the UA has intimated that the road was constructed long ago by the local Gram Panchayat and residents. As such, no record regarding action taken against the violators is available in its office. However, as per Para 1.21(ii), the bills on account of penal NPV and note on violation have already been raised and uploaded at S.No. 21 under additional information details in Part-I.
 - ii. Since violation has taken place a long time ago, as such no record is available about action taken against the officials concerned for not being able to prevent the use of forest land for non-forestry purposes without prior approval of GoI.
 - iii) Joint inspection has been conducted on 17.12.2021 by the committee (headed by CF Bilaspur) constituted for the inspection of roads constructed in violation of the provisions of FCA 1980.
13. In CA area of 6.6875 ha. identified in DPF Dhalet, the following trees of various spp. are standing

V	IV	III	II A	II B	I A	IC
180	110	70	50	32	15	8

Keeping in view of these existing trees over 6.6875 ha, the density of vegetation is 0.12 which is fit for rising of CA as per FCA guidelines.

Yours faithfully,

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