

No. D-V-519/G/ 4435
H.P. Forest Department

Dated Chamba, the 07/09/2022

From:- Chief Conservator of Forests
Chamba Forest Circle, Chamba

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

Subject:- Diversion of 8.0678 hectare of forest land for construction of Siul-IV 4MW SHEP at Siul Nallah near Village Digodi, Tehsil Salooni, District Chamba- within the jurisdiction of Churah Forest Division.

Memo.

Kindly refer to GoI, MoEF &CC, Integrated Regional Office Shimla letter No. 8B/HP/01/147/2019/FC/101 dated 07.06.2022 on the subject cited above.

2. In this connection, it is submitted that the observation raised by the GoI, MoEF have been attended by the User Agency as well as DFO Churah, the point wise reply to the observations is furnished as under:-
 1. Pertains to be attended at the level of higher ups.
 2. It has been submitted that, the smallest unit to measure the land as per revenue system in District Chamba is Karma, and 1 Karma is equal to 1.42 meter, further, it is also clarified that revenue unit Karma is the smallest unit and further it cannot be divided into any smallest form without settlement. Process of land settlement is very long and time consuming which is not yet initiated. In this regard, User Agency has submitted an undertaking that the forest land diverted shall be taken over for 15 meter width of ROW and rest of land shall not be occupied / used by the user agency, and can be considered as forest land without any right of User Agency. However, the User Agency has already submitted an undertaking to pay the full amount of CA levies and NPV for proposed forest land i.e. 8.0678 hectare.
 3. User Agency with the confirmation of Sai Kothi, Devi Kothi and Hail HEPs authority has submitted that the study carried out for these projects has been submitted to GoI, MoEF. All these projects are in-principal approved and are in processing for Stage-II approval. Still no any construction activities are initiated.
 4. User Agency has submitted that the non-forest area proposed in the proposal has also been shown in the KML file uploaded on the portal. So, cause the area of KML is becoming 9.329 hectare. Revised KML file has also been uploaded on the portal.
 5. A land scape Map showing the entire proposal approved/existing/proposed in the river basin has been shown in the Map. The KML file of the same is being sent in a DVD please.

6. User Agency has submitted that the matter regarding the comments of NBWL has been initiated with NBWL for necessary comments, and the same will be incorporated in the office of Nodal Officer (FCA) HP, Shimla.
 7. Reply is same as point No. 6.
 8. The certificate clarifying this point issued by DFO Churah is enclosed herewith.
 9. It is submitted that in view of guidelines Para 9.2 of the FCA Handbook, this project does not attract the provisions of CAT Plan please. Further, it is also submitted as yet no any fund received and utilized as implementation of Comprehensive CAT Plan for Ravi River Basin.
 10. NPV Bill as per the GoI, MoEF guidelines dated 06.01.2022 has been prepared and is enclosed herewith. The copy of same has also been uploaded on the portal. Also, the Revised Cost Benefit Analysis accordingly is enclosed herewith.
 11. As per the report of UA and DFO, it is submitted that no any area proposed for diversion is coming under any water body. The necessary documents like SoI Toposheet, Geo Reference Land use map and KML file of area proposed for diversion has already been provided. This might be due to shifting of KML while visualizing in the Google earth.
- Further, the GoI, MoEF, guidelines dated 28.06.2022 has also been complied and undertaking furnished by User Agency to pay the cost of implementation of Wildlife Management Plan as well as Implementation of Soil Conservation Plan is enclosed herewith.

This is for favour of information and further necessary action under FCA-1980 please.

Encl. As above

Chief Conservator of Forests, (T)
Chamba Forest Circle, Chamba.

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Copy is forwarded to DFO Churah with reference to his office memo No. 2606 dated 18.08.2022 and 2860 dated 31.08.2022 for information please.

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