

**MINUTES OF THE 15th MEETING OF THE REGIONAL EMPOWERED
COMMITTEE (REC) OF REGIONAL OFFICE, NORTH CENTRAL ZONE,
DEHRADUN HELD ON 6th FEBRUARY, 2017**

The 15th meeting of the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) of the Regional Office, North Central Zone, Dehradun was held on 6th February, 2017 at Regional Office, Dehradun under the Chairmanship of Shri Ajay Kumar, Addl. PCCF, Regional Office, Dehradun.

Following official/non-official members & the special invitees were present in the meeting.

S.No.	Name	Designation
1.	Shri Ajay Kumar, Addl. PCCF, R.O., Dehradun	Chairman
2.	Dr. G.S. Rawat, IFS (Retd.)	Non-official Member
3.	Shri Parveen Thaplyal, IFS (Retd.)	Non-official Member
4.	Dr. S. P. Singh	Non-official Member
5.	Ms. Kamal Preet, CF, R.O., Dehradun	Member
6.	Shri. M. S. Negi, CF, R.O., Dehradun	Special Invitee
7.	Shri. Kamaljeet Singh, DCF, R.O., Dehradun	Member Secretary
8.	Shri S. D. Sharma Nodal Officer- cum-CCF (FCA), H.P.	Special Invitee
9.	Representatives of the User Agencies	

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C.C.F. (FCA)
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The following proposals seeking diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes pertaining to Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand were discussed in detail and the case wise decision taken by REC is as under:-

S.No.	Name of Proposal	Decision Taken By The REC
HIMACHAL PRADESH		
1.	Diversion of 6.31 ha of forest land for the construction of Lift Water Supply Scheme from UHL river to Mandi town in favour of I&PH Department, within the jurisdiction of Mandi Forest Division, Distt. Mandi, Himachal Pradesh. (Online No.- FP/HP/WATER/11485/2015). 465	<p>Regional Empowered Committee discussed the proposal seeking diversion of 6.31 ha of forest land for construction of Lift Water Supply Scheme from UHL river to Mandi town. The committee was informed that 465 numbers of trees are proposed to be felled in the project, the forest land proposed for diversion is not a part of any Protected Area and no rare and endangered species of flora and fauna have been reported. The REC noticed that name of the proposal mentioned in the records is lift water supply scheme from river Uhl to Mandi town but as told by the user agency, this is not a lift scheme but is a gravity base project for augmentation of water supply. REC asked the User agency to change the name of the project accordingly. Attested copies of the proceedings of meeting of Gram Sabha were provided in the meeting. The committee noticed that digital map of the area proposed for diversion uploaded at C (iv) was not found clear. It was informed by the User Agency that it is because the file size is heavy. However, the digital map provided in CD was found OK.</p> <p>After detailed discussion on various aspects of the proposal, the committee decided to accord in-principle approval to the proposal subject to fulfillment of following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The KML file with attribute information, which is provided in hard copy shall be uploaded by the

		<p>User Agency at C (ii), Part-I online.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Digital map of the area proposed for diversion provided in CD will be uploaded at Part-I C (iv) online in two parts. 3. Site Suitability Certificate for CA area to be uploaded in online Part-II. 4. Working Plan prescription is to be uploaded at para 5 Part-II online.
2.	<p>Diversion of 2.40 ha of forest land for construction of Murari Mata Stone Crusher in favour of Sh. Abhishek Thakur Prop. near Larji (Bunga-III) within the jurisdiction of Seraj Forest Division, District. Kullu, H.P.</p>	<p>Regional Empowered Committee discussed the proposal seeking diversion of 2.40 ha of forest land for construction of Murari Mata Stone Crusher. The committee was informed that 43 numbers of trees are proposed to be felled in the project, the forest land proposed for diversion is not a part of any Protected Area and no rare and endangered species of flora and fauna have been reported.</p> <p>The proposal was last discussed by the REC in its meeting held on 4th & 6th Oct 2016 and it was found that the UA has to incorporate area for safety zone and provide Non-Forest Land (NFL) for raising CA. REC was informed that though safety zone area has been added in area proposed for diversion, NFL for purpose of CA has not yet been provided.</p> <p>After detailed discussion on various aspects of the proposal, the committee decided to recommend the proposal to Govt. of India for approval subject to fulfillment of following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Safety zone may also be marked on digital map and hard and soft copy of the digital map of the area proposed for diversion may be provided. 2. Equivalent NFL may be provided for CA.