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To

The PCCF-Cum Principal Secretary,
Govt of Sikkim,
Deptt. of Forests & Environment,
Deorali,
Gangtok- 737102.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 25.82 ha of forestland for construction of road Sophakha to Chewabhanjyang passing through Barsey Rhododendron Snactuary in West District of Sikkim by Roads & Bridges Department, Govt of Sikkim.

Ref: (i) Letter No. 1689/FCA/FEWMD/918 dated 10.03.2017 of State Govt of Sikkim.

Sir,


Please refer to the State Government letter above on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the FCA, 1980. I am directed to inform that the proposal referred above has been examined in this office in the light of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and rules/guidelines framed thereunder and following information/documents are found lacking:

- (i) The Muck Dumping Plan is to be submitted along with the GPS coordinates of muck dumping site.
- (i) The forest Compartment No. of the proposed diversion area.
- (ii) The photographs of the sample plot along with GPS coordinates of the trees to be affected by this diversion depicting the serial numbers of the trees with red/yellow paint.
- (iii) The GPS coordinates of the starting and end point of the proposed road.
- (iv) A brief of the remaining stretch of the road.
- (v) The hard and soft copy of shape /kml file of the proposed transmission line and compensatory afforestation area.
- (vi) The diagrammatic sketch of the proposed road depicting the Right of Way.

- (vii) To examine the alternate route and to depict the same in SoI toposheet map showing the proposed area and alternate route examined for the proposed road with distinguish colour.
- (viii) To clarify whether the submitted consent of Standing committee of NBWL letter dated 03.12.2014 pertains to this instant proposal or not.
- (ix) To clarify whether this instant proposal attracts Environment Impact Notification(EIA),2006, considering the altitude of the proposed area.
- (x) The photographs along with GPS co-ordinates of the site inspection of the proposed site and compensatory afforestation sites conducted by DFO/CF.
- (xi) The original and the proposed Right of Way is to be submitted.

State Govt is requested to kindly furnish the above information at the earliest to this office for further processing of this proposal.

Yours faithfully,



16/3/17

(R.L. Sanga)
Conservator of Forest(C)

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