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Date: 23 March 2018

To,

The Special Secretary,  
Department of Forests,  
Government of UP, Bapu Bhavan,  
Sachivalaya,  
Lucknow-226001

ON LINE PROPOSAL No: FP/UP/ROAD/26890/2016

Subject: Proposed forest land diversion (Protected Forest) for widening of 4-lane of NH 91 from km 356 to 414 km from Mitrasenpur Road to Kanpur road having extent 93.975 ha with removal of 4,800 trees and 17 poles-reg.

Ref: Letter no. P-42/14-2-2018-800(34)/2018 dated 5th March 2018

Sir,

In reference to your above mentioned letter where approval for above referred forest land diversion proposal was sought; I have been directed to convey following shortcomings of the proposal for necessary rectification:

- 1) Three other proposals FP/UP/ROAD/24596/2017, FP/UP/ROAD/23288/2016 and FP/UP/ROAD/22374/2016 appears to be part of widening of National Highway 91 and total extent of diversion is more than 100 ha which requires site inspection from Regional Office, MoEF&CC as per guidelines of FCA 1980.
- 2) There exists one approval from MoEF&CC for widening from two lane to four lane of NH 91 i.e. the same road compliance status of conditions imposed have not been provided as well as details have not been provided uploaded online at B1 of part I.
- 3) Component wise break of forest land proposed for diversion is only for widening but other details like location of toll plaza, truck lay bye etc have not been provided.
- 4) As per GIS DSS analysis of proposed forest land for diversion, following issues need rectification:
  - a) Kml files of proposed forest land for diversion are in polyline format which is not amenable to GIS DSS analysis.
  - b) SOI topo-sheets have not been provided with the proposal.
  - c) Key geo coordinates defining the shape of proposed forest land diversion have not been provided.
  - d) Some of the proposed compensatory afforestation patches fall in flood plains and some of them are agricultural fields. Suitability of sites need recheck as the proposal of compensatory is based on double degraded forest land.
  - e) The extent of suitable patches for plantation is 176 ha which is less than  $2 \times 93.975 = 187.95$  ha.
- 5) Benefit Cost analysis of the proposal is not as per latest guidelines of MoEF&CC. This needs revision.
- 6) Exemption certificate issued by the concerned DM in FRA 2006 is silent on rights of pre agriculture forest dwelling communities.
- 7) As the proposal is continuous stretch of 262.8 km may require clearance under provisions Environment (Protection) Act 1986.

*[Signature]*  
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- 8) (a) The land schedule provided for area calculation does not provide existing width, required width and balance width chainage wise along with details for both RHS & LHS.  
(b) The area calculation does not segregate between fresh diversion and re diversion already existing.  
(c) Area requirement is not based as per typical cross section uploaded with the proposal.
- 9) The certificates submitted by user agency for NPV payment, balance PF etc are on a general format without even mentioning the name of project.
- 10) Online enumeration list shows number of trees in negative number which is impossible situation and clearly shows casual attitude in filling part II without being detected at other higher levels.
- 11) Site Inspection Report of concerned CF is not on approved format of GoI. The same needs revision.
- 12) Few documents of the proposal are without seal of signing authority.

Therefore, the proposal is hereby placed under EDS category for rectification/revision of the same as per the observations made above in point wise manner. It is also advised that reply shall be provided at the earliest so that the proposal may be discussed in next REC. I have been directed to convey that the State Government should call the explanation of field level forest officials and take appropriate action.

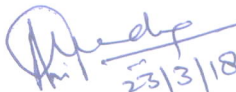
**Encl:** As mentioned above.

Yours faithfully,

(Brijendra Swaroop)  
Conservator of Forest(C)

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5. **Project Director**, National Highway Authority of India, 47 & 48, Dream City Colony, Opp. Bal Jivan Ghutti, Sarsol, G.T. Road, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh.
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