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भारत सरकार/GOVERNMENT OF INDIA एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय Integrated Regional Office पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय Ministry of Environment, Forest and ClimateChange सी.जी.ओ. कॉम्पलैक्स, शिवालिक खण्ड, लौंगवुड CGO Complex, ShivalikKhand, Longwood शिमला, हिमाचल प्रदेश-171001 Shimla, Himachal Pradesh - 171001



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सेवा में,

अतिरिक्त मुख्य सचिव (वन) हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार, आर्म्सडेल बिल्डिंग, शिमला। (Email:- forestsecy-hp@nic.in)

विषयः Diversion of 12.8537 ha of Forest land in favour of NHAI for the construction of New 2 lane with paved shoulder of Hamirpur bypass of NH-88 (New 103 & 3) ((Design Chainage Kms 121+175) to Kms. 138-295)), (design length 17.20 Kms.) in the State Of Himachal Pradesh within the jurisdiction of Hamipur Forest Davison in Distt. Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/151932/2022).

संदर्भ: Online Proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/151932/2022 uploaded by State Government on dated 18.03.2023.

महोदय,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Himachal Pradesh on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of **12.8537 ha** of forest land for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

As per the timeline details of the instant proposal in the PARIVESH portal, it has been found that the proposal has been accepted by the Nodal Officer on dated **06.07.2022**. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (FC Division) vide File No.FC-11/118/2021-FC dated 29.06.2022 informed that **Forest** (**Conservation**) **Rules,2022** has been published in the Gazette of India on 28.6.2022, and accordingly, Ministry further directed vide File No.FC- 11/118/2021-FC dated 18.07.2022 that "*Provisions of Forest (Conservation)* **Rules, 2022** shall apply to the proposals submitted online through PARIVESH portal and which have not been accepted by the Nodal officer before 28.06.2022".

Therefore, to adhere to the provision of para 9 (4) (a) of Forest (Conservation) Rule, 2022 "the Project Screening Committee shall examine the proposal received from the State Government or Union Territory Administration, except proposals involving forest land of five hectares or less" and as per the procedures laid down in the rule the minutes of the meeting of Project Steering Committee (PSC) needs to be uploaded/submitted.

In view of the above, the instant proposal is not plausible to process at the IRO level in the absence of minutes of meeting of the Project Steering Committee (PSC).

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