

FC/HPB/48/2023 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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- विषयः Diversion of 12.8537 ha of forest land in favour of NHAI for the construction on New 2 land 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 Hamirpur Forest Division Distt.Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh (Online proposal no- FP/HP/Road/151932/2022)
- संदर्भः Online proposal No. FP/HP/Road/151932/2022 uploaded by State Govt. on dated 12.04.2023

महोदय,

उपरोक्त विषय पर संदर्भित पत्र का आशय ग्रहण करते हुए सूचित करना है कि प्रस्ताव में निम्नलिखित कमियां पाई गयी है। अतः राज्य सरकार निम्न बिन्दुओं पर आवश्यक सूचनाएं प्रेषित करने का कष्ट करें, ताकि अग्रिम कार्यवाही सुनिश्चित की जा सके:—

- 1. All the documents are required to be duly authenticated by DFO concerned and same shall be uploaded on the desired column/Part-I/Part-II of PARIVESH portal.
- 2. It has been observed from KML file that the proposed site is hilly and undulating area and excavation of soil at slope may cause soil erosion. The State Govt. may provide details regarding the mitigation measures to be adopted to arrest the accelerated soil erosion/land slide during and/or after execution of the project. Therefore, State Govt. may submit the Soil Moisture Conservation Plan along-with detail cost of its implementation as per the recent directions of MoEF & CC vide letter dated 07.06.2022.
- 3. An Undertaking submitted for non-availability of non-forest Land, Additional NPV, NPV, CA have mentioned the incorrect proposed area figure. State Govt may review and rectify the same and revised undertaking may be uploaded on the PARIVESH portal.
- 4. Document submitted for length and width mentioning the width of road is 30 m (107 m width for wayside amenities has been included for 135 m length stretch). Therefore, it may be clarified with supporting documents whether this desired width is as per norms/guidelines or not.
- 5. Document submitted for length and width mentioning the wayside amenities, however detailed sub-components/structures in the same have not mentioned. Therefore, detailed Layout Plan with detailed structure/sub-components of the wayside amenities may also be submitted/uploaded on PARIVESH portal. Also, justification for the wayside amenities and given width for the same (i.e. 107 m) may be provided.
- 6. In part-II, para-8 (i), Details of wildlife present is mentioned as viz., *Leopard, Sambhar, Wild Boar* etc. The DA passes through forest area and there must be the possibility of other

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important flora and fauna. In view of the above, same may be reviewed along with protection measures and Wild Life Management Plan along with detailed cost of its implementation as per MoEF&CC directions dated 07.06.2022 may be provided, if required.

- 7. State Govt may provide the Tatima (Jamabandi) of the proposed DA area duly authenticated by competent authority.
- 8. State Govt. may provide the exact aerial distance certificate from nearest PAs and its ESZ from the proposed project site. Same may be uploaded on the PARIVESH portal.
- 9. State Govt. may provide the chainage-wise dimensions (Length and Width) of forest area along with Khasra no. details may uploaded on the PARIVESH portal duly authenticated by DFO concerned.
- 10. Joint inspection report needs to be submitted/uploaded on the PARIVESH portal.
- 11.Layout Plan/Line plan showing all the components {(Forest land/Non-forest land/Existing RoW/PRoW (Carriageway, Paved shoulder, earth Filling, drain)} with distinct colours duly authenticated by the concerned DFO is required to be submitted and the same shall be uploaded on the PARIVESH portal as well.
- 12. Recently, Hon'ble High Court of Himachal Pradesh has issued directions on dated 13.01.2023 CWPIL NO 13/2021 title as Kusum Bali Vs States of HP and others which states that "We direct that there shall be no cutting of hills in the entire State of Himachal Pradesh, unless permission is obtained from the Director, who shall call for a report and "No Objection Certificate" from the Pollution Control Board, before granting such permission". Therefore, NOC is required to be submitted as per the directions of Hon'ble High Court.
- 13. State Govt may submit the plantation model mentioning the site specific plant species, plant species which have capacity of the absorptions of CO2 and other pollutants to be planted along the RoW as per guidelines of MoEF & CC vide letter no.FC-11/39/2020-FC dated 08.09.2021.
- 14. Undertaking regarding the land proposed by the User Agency is unavoidable and barest minimum for the proposed proposal is required to be submitted.
- 15. The detailed kilometre-wise proposed RoW (PRoW) and Existing RoW (ERoW) along with the chainage wise area and Khasra number details falling in forest land may be provided.
- 16. It may be clarified that whether ERoW has been included in the calculation of total diversion in the present proposal. Also, it may be clarified whether approval under FCA has been obtained for the ERoW? If yes, details of the same may be provided.
- 17. Large numbers of trees and sapling (Total 4905) including ecologically and economically important species of (*Dalbergia Sisoo*, *Acacia catechu*) are proposed for felling. Therefore, possibility of reducing the numbers of trees to be affected may be explored or rationalisation to be done in the layout of the proposal to reduce green felling especially of *Khair* and *Shisham*. Further, separate list of trees which are required to be felled and retained (not to be felled) may be provided.
- 18. In part-II, para -4(ii) scientific name of some species is mentioned as "others". State Govt may review and rectify the same with proper scientific name.
- 19. Following clarification/justification for CA area may be provided :
  - i. CA scheme has been provided with 10-years maintenance, however comprehensive CA scheme is required to be submitted/uploaded as per para-2.8 (ii) of the FCA guidelines 1980.
  - As per the KML file of CA area, some part of the KML polygon (P27 BASARAL C2D, P 48 BAJURI) is crossing/passing the existing road. Therefore, State may provide the necessary comments in this regard.
  - iii. The KML polygon of the CA area is not matching with the polygon marked on DGPS and SOI toposheet. State Govt. may review and rectify the same also mentioned the name of proposed CA land (RF/PF) on the DGPS and SOI toposheet.

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- 20. The status of proposed Compensatory Afforestation (CA) along with the documentary proof may be provided, whether it is Govt. waste land declared as PF under HP Govt. notification, 1952 or it is notified as UPF/DPF under IFA, 1927 and the under the ownership/control of HP Forest department or not.
  - 21. As the DA area passes through the hilly/undulating forest areas, there must be natural streams/nallah/springs/waterfall etc on which local peoples depend for their day-to-day life sustenance. Therefore, concerned Conservator of Forest may provide the comment regarding the adverse impacts on such natural water sources and mitigation measures for the same.

यदि चाही गई सूचना पत्र जारी होने की तिथि के 60 दिनों के भीतर (अधिकतम 90 दिन) इस कार्यालय में प्राप्त नहीं हुई तो प्रस्ताव को निरस्त किया जा सकता है।

भवदीय,

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