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Date: 20.04.2022

To,

The Addl.Chief Secretary–cum-PCCF,
Forest & Environment Department,
Government of Sikkim
Forest Secretariat, Deorali
Gangtok - 737102.

Sub: Diversion of 11.1521 ha forest land in favour of Border Road Organization for widening of existing Road (NH-310A) to NHDL Specification with paved shoulder from Toong Bridge of design Km 17.870 to Chungthang design Km 27.476 under North Territorial Forest Division of Sikkim.

Sir,

Please refer to the above cited proposal seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal has been examined and observed that the following documents/ information are still required to upload in online application of the proposal for further processing:


- i. Kml file of the entire forest land proposed for diversion is not uploaded. Complete kml file may be uploaded.
- ii. Some portion (approx 2 ha) of proposed CA land in Rangma CA site is categorized as moderately dense forest as per Decision Support System. It may be rechecked.
- iii. Some components (like C.II, D.I & D.III) of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) scheme is not in accordance of para 2.8.(iii) of Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and Forest Conservation Rules, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarification). It may be revised.
- iv. It is not clear, whether Biodiversity Conservation and Management Plan for the project is duly approved by CWLW, Sikkim or not. Copy of the approval of the said is required to be uploaded.
- v. Biodiversity Conservation and Management Plan should be based on publication of WII - *Eco-friendly Measures to Mitigate Impacts of Linear*

Infrastructure on Wildlife and direction issued by the CWLW from time to time. It should be specific to mitigate the disturbance expected to arise from the implementation of this project.

- vi. Plot-wise/ village wise details of forest land proposed for diversion need to be uploaded.
- vii. In Part-II, vegetation density of the proposed site is mentioned as 0.01% but in Site Inspection Report it is reported 0.1%. It may be clarified.
- viii. Copy of the Gram Sabha resolutions related to FRA certificate.
- ix. It is not clear, whether the cost of the project i.e.Rs.29635.4 Cr as mentioned is for this project or for some consolidated projects.
- x. Details and current status of the other widening proposals of NH 310A or proposals under same package.

Therefore, it is requested that above mentioned documents/ information may be kindly uploaded in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours Sincerely,



20/4/2022

(Dr. S. Hare Krishna Murti)
Assistant Inspector General of Forest

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1. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest & Environment Department, Government of Sikkim, Forest Secretariat, Deorali, Gangtok – 737102.
2. The Divisional Forest Officer, North Territorial, Sikkim.
3. The Commander, HQ 758 BRTF (GREF), C/O – 99 APO, Near Forest Check Post Chandmari, Gangtok.
4. Guard File.

Assistant Inspector General of Forest