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Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, कोलकाता/ Integrated Regional Office, Kolkata





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No.IRO/KOL/SK/Road/42492/2019/161

To.

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

Sub: Diversion of 0.3885 ha forest land in favour of Vinod Kumar Jain-NSPR (JV) for construction of Dumping Yard in regard of 2-lane specification road with Paved shoulder including geometric improvement from km 0.00 to km 16.00 of stretch Singtam-Tarku of NH-510 under South Territorial 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. As per time series Google Image (11/2017), clear evidence of dense forest was observed in forest land proposed for diversion. But from image dated 12/2021, it is observed that earlier existing dense forest is completely destroyed (Page 33/c). However, in Part-II filled by concerned DFO, no violation is reported. It may be clarified.
- ii. It is not clear that whether any Dumping Yard under Muck Disposal Scheme is proposed in original proposal for diversion of 16.11 ha forest land for construction of 2-lane road from Singtam-Tarku-Rabongla-Legship-Gyalshing NH-510.
- iii. Status of compliance report of "in-principle" approval of proposal for diversion of 16.11 ha forest land for construction of 2-lane road from Singtam-Tarku-Rabongla-Legship-Gyalshing NH-510 (after passage of near about 5 years).
- iv. Since, it is not a site specific project, details of the other alternatives required to be submitted.
- v. Copy of the Gram Sabha resolution related to FRA certificate.
- vi. As per Part-I, total period for which the forest land is proposed for diversion is 5 years. After that, whether the proposed forest land transferred to Forest Department or not, needs to be clarified.

- As per Decision Support System, proposed CA land is categorized as dense vii. forest. Proposed CA land may be rechecked.
- Signed Part-I with mentioning Name, Designation of the signing authority viii. and Date of signature.

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,

(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, South Territorial, Sikkim.
- 3. The Engineer, Anita Subba Building, Baghey Khola, East Sikkim.

4. Guard File.

Assistant Inspector General of Forest