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Date 1st May 2023

To,

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

Sub: Diversion of 26.8 ha (16.4 ha in RF/ Khasmal/ River Reserve + 10.427 ha in buffer & transition zone of KNP) forest land in favour of Power Department, Govt. of Sikkim for laying of 220 KV DC Shinghik-Chungthang Transmission Line under CSSTDS in Mangan district of Sikkim - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer the letter No.2023/FCA/F&ED/1019 dated 31.03.2023 on the above cited subject vide which reply of this office letter of even number dated 20.03.2023 has been submitted. The reply has been examined and observed that no certificate from the Chief Secretary, Government of Sikkim regarding non-availability of non-forest land for CA is uploaded with the proposal in PARIVESH portal. Further, it is to mention here that as per DSS Analysis, the proposed CA land (53 ha) is categorized as 2 ha Very Dense Forest and 51 ha as Moderately Dense Forest, which are not suitable for compensatory afforestation.

Therefore, it is requested that suitable CA land along with CA scheme, toposheet map, CA land suitability certificate and certificate from the Chief Secretary, Government of Sikkim regarding non-availability of non-forest land for CA may kindly be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal for further processing of the proposal.

Yours Sincerely,

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

Copy to:

- 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 Chief Engineer-cum-SNO (IPDS), Power Department, Govt. of Sikkim, Kazi Road, Gangtok 737101.
- 4. Guard File.

Assistant Inspector General of Forest (C)