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File No: 9-JKC-015/2022-Jammu

Dated: /06/2022

To,

Nodal Officer (FCA),
Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment,
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Sub: **Diversion of 7.4783 ha of Forest Land in Marwah Forest Division for Construction of road from Nowpachi Deherna upto Hanzal, District Kishtwar, UT of Jammu and Kashmir-reg.**

Ref: **i) Online proposal bearing on FP/JK/ROAD/51198/2020 received on dated 22.03.2022**
ii) Minutes of the 6th REC held on 16.06.2022

Sir,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Jammu & Kashmir on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of **7.4783 ha** of forest land in **Marwah Forest Division** for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The proposal was placed in the **6th REC** held on **16.06.2022**. Based on the queries raised from this office dated. **06.04.2022** and the compliance received on **31.05.2022**, the proposal was discussed. After detailed deliberation, the committee sought the following information:

- (i) Transmission lines needs to be replaced with road in the Format used for Cost-Benefit Analysis.
- (ii) The information submitted under the Muck Disposal Plan for each individual Muck Disposal Site must be similar to the information provided under column B-2.4 of Part I of the online Portal.
- (iii) In the Biological measures for stabilization provided by DFO, it is not clear whether, it's for one dumping site or for all dumping sites. Clarification needs to be submitted.
- (iv) The undertaking from UA to pay the Compensatory Afforestation needs to be provided.
- (v) The information provided under Enumeration list, which includes the number of trees and poles/saplings needs to be similar to the information in Part II of the online portal column 4(ii).
- (vi) DFO needs to provide new CA site in degraded forest land with vegetation density up to 40%.
- (vii) Clarification regarding the non-forest land status of the proposed alignment as per the KML file from RD 7/300 to RD 7/400, which otherwise appears like forest, after revisiting the area and re-checking facts on ground and in official records.
- (viii) Comparative analysis of alignment on both sides of the Marusudar river from the feasibility point of view including all kind of cost estimates; such as cost of road/bridge construction, NPV of forest land involved, CA cost, detailed plan for improving wildlife habitat, population encompassing animal passage plan and the estimated valuation of the perceived submergence of village and landscape as discussed by the DFO for upcoming future dam on the river.
- (ix) Site specific intervention for habitat improvement and types/numbers of structures involved in animal passage plan along with the cost estimates from the CWLW.

3. The compliance to the above may be submitted within **15** days from the date of issue of this letter failing which the proposal shall be liable to be rejected for want of information.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-
(Raja Ram Singh)
DIGF (Central)
Regional Officer
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Copy to: -

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