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To

**The Principal Secretary-cum-PCCF,
Department of Forest, Environment & Wildlife Management
Deorali, Gangtok
Sikkim-737102**

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 119.92 ha of forest land for construction of rehabilitation and upgrading to 2 lane with paved shoulders configuration of section from Rolep to Menla (length of project Km 37+600 to 93+950) section of NH-717 B in East District of Sikkim by NHIDCL.


Sir,

Please refer to the Government of Sikkim letter No. 1913/FCA/F&ED/1294 dated 24.03.2021 on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal forwarded by the State Govt has been examined in this office in the light of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and rules/guideline framed thereunder. The State Govt. is requested to provide addition information for further processing of the case:-

1. EDS is not uploaded in PARIVESH from IRO Guwahati nor communication made to IRO, Kolkata, regarding uploading the EDS in Portal. Need to upload for further processing.
2. According to EDS point no 2. User agency is ready to pay for double Compensatory Afforestation for the degraded forest land and total 239.84 ha of degraded forest land have been identified by DFO for Compensatory Afforestation.
3. No. of trees to be affected/felled- Trees (56,296), poles (46,067), Malingo (43,000) and Medicinal Plant (6,05,000)., How number of trees to be felled can be reduced, reasoned reply is needed.
4. As per proposal, proposed diverted area is 119.92 ha, but as per .kml file proposed diverted area is 105.13 ha which is not matching, it may need to rectify.

5. The NET Suitable area for plantation as per GIS-DSS analysis is 44.11 ha, which is lower than the actual required CA land area.
6. Georeferenced map of proposed CA land may need to revise. The separate coordinate has not mentioned in CA patches.

Yours faithfully,


(Bivash Ranjan) 28/6/2021

Deputy Director General of Forest (C)

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2. Guard File.