

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE NORTH EASTERN REGIONAL OFFICE LAW-U-SIB, LUMBATNGEN SHILLONG-793021

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To

The Principal Secretary-cum PCCF
Deptt.of Forests, Env., WL. Management & Climate Change,
Government of Sikkim, Deorali, Gangtok- 737 102,
Sikkim.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 10.794 ha of forest landfor construction/widening of alternate highway to Gangtok section Rhenock-Rorathang-Pakyong (Package-I) on NH-717 in East District of Sikkim by National Highways & Infrastructure Dev. Corp.

Sir.

With reference to the subject cited above, I am to inform you that the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) in its meeting held on 18.07.2017 has discussed the proposal for diversion of 10.794 ha of forest landfor construction /widening of alternate highway to Gangtok section Rhenock-Rorathang-Pakyong (Package-I) on NH-717 in East District of Sikkim by National Highways & Infrastructure Dev. Corp. In the meeting, the KML / Shaped file sought from the State Govt by Regional Office vide letter dated 19.06.2017 was handed over and after detailed discussion of the proposal, the committee members has agreed that the shape file is to be examined by the Regional Office and if it is found acceptable and area matches with the proposed area, the Regional Office, Shillong will issue "In-principle Approval" with usual conditions applicable to the construction for hill roads. However, on examination of the shape file brought by the User Agency, it is found that the calculated shape file area is 59.81 ha whereas the actual proposed area is 10.794 ha.

In view of the above, the State Govt is requested to submit the appropriate shape file of this proposal for further verification and analysis. Further, the KML/Shape file for the proposed CA sought vide letter dated 19.06.2017 may also be made available at the earliest for taking further necessary action.

This is issued with the approval of Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (C).

Yours faithfully,

(R. L. Sanga)

Conservator of Forests (C)

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