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Ref. No. 1923 /FCA/F&ED 396

To,

✓ The Divisional Forest Officer,
East Territorial Division,
Forest & Environment Department,
Govt. of Sikkim,
Gangtok.

Sub: **Proposal for diversion of 119.92 Ha of forest land for construction, 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 717B in East District of Sikkim by NHIDCL – Addl. Information regd.**

(Proposal No: FP/SK/ROAD/49640/2020)

Please find enclosed herewith letter No. SK-NHIDCL-10/2021/FC/85 dated 28.06.2021 received from the Deputy Director General of Forest (C) Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, Kolkata with observations to furnish additional information sought for vide sl no. 02 to 06 reproduced below for the above referred proposal seeking forest clearance:

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. As per proposal, proposed diverted area is 119.92 ha, but as per kml file proposed diverted area is 105.13 ha which not matching, it may need to rectify.
4. 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.
5. Georeferenced map of proposed CA land may need to revise. The separate coordinate has not mentioned in CA patches.

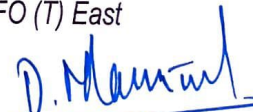
In this regard, you are requested to kindly furnish at the earliest the additional information as sought in the aforesaid letter in coordination with the User Agency for onward submission to Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India, Kolkata for consideration of the proposal for according Forest Clearance under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, please.

Sd/-

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CF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA)

Copy to:

1. ACS-cum-PCCF : for kind information please.
2. Dy, General Manager (P)
NHIDCL, Rhenock : for necessary coordination with DFO (T) East
3. CF(Territorial) : for kind information please.
4. File


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