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Memo No. \622/WL- 8-12

Dated 30 /06 /2022

To : Sri. Sonam Bhutia W.B.C.S  
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Darjeeling

From : The Divisional Forest Officer  
Darjeeling Wildlife Division

Subject : Essential details sought (EDS) regarding Forest Clearance

Reference : **Your Proposal No. FP/WB/OTHERS/153335/2022**

With reference to the proposal no. and subject quoted above kindly find here under queries regarding your proposal.

1. The name of the user agency is mentioned as District Youth Services & Sports Hamirpur (Point A-2 (i)) but the legal status of the user agency (Point A-2 (xiii)) is mentioned State Government.
2. Under the component wise breakup the area & the name of the place is given. Rectification is required regarding the same.(Point B-2.4)
3. Under justification for locating the project in forest land the comparison with alternative sites have been given but no justification is provided for the need of forest land (wildlife Sanctuary (Point D(i))).
4. The alternative site examined have not been given with the maps & the toposheet attached is not legible.
5. Since the area falls under Senchal Wildlife Sanctuary online application for Wildlife Clearance is required.
6. Under A-1 (iii) in the short narrative of the proposal it has been mentioned that the land is required for construction of tourist huts which has potential to attract huge tourists but it is crucial to remember that the area falls under Wildlife Sanctuary which has one of the highest protection status under Wildlife Act 1972. Further the project would increase commercial activity within Wildlife Sanctuary therefore it would be better if an appropriate land is found outside the Senchal Wildlife Sanctuary Area.

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