

# भारत सरकार / GOVERNMENT OF INDIA पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय / Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, देहरादून / Regional Office, Dehradun



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# क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, देहरादून द्वारा दिनांक 24 जुलाई, 2024 को आयोजित पाक्षिक क्षेत्रीय समन्वय बैठक (एफ०आर०सी०एम०) के कार्यवृत्त

# MINUTES OF THE FORTNIGHTLY REGIONAL COORDINATION MEETING (FRCM) OF REGIONAL OFFICE, MoEF&CC, DEHRADUN

HELD ON 24th JULY, 2024

वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) अधिनियम, 1980 तथा वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) अधिनियम, 2023 के तहत वन भूमि प्रत्यावर्तन से संबंधित लंबित प्रस्तावों पर चर्चा करने हेतु पाक्षिक क्षेत्रीय समन्वय बैठक (FRCM) दिनांक 24 जुलाई, 2024 को पूर्वाह्न 11:00 बजे श्रीमति नीलिमा शाह (भा०व०से०), सहायक महानिरीक्षक वन (केन्द्रीय) की अध्यक्षता में क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय, देहरादून के बैठक कक्ष में आयोजित की गई।

बैठक में निम्नलिखित अधिकारी व्यक्तिगत रूप अथवा वीडियो कॉन्फ्रेंसिंग के माध्यम से उपस्थित थे-

Sl.No.	Name	Designation
01	Mr. Santosh Tewari, IFS	Deputy Director General of <b>Forests</b> , Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Dehradun.
02	Mr. Ranjan Kumar Mishra, IFS	PCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Govt. of Uttarakhand
03	Mrs. Neelima Shah, IFS	Assistant Inspector General of Forests, Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Dehradun.

04	Mr. Hare Ram Kumar	Technical Officer (F), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Dehradun.
05	DFO, Badrinath Forest Division, Gopeshwar (through VC)	
06	DFO, Almora Forest Division (addl. charge of DFO, Bageshwar Forest Division) (through VC)	
07	DFO, Mussoorie Forest Division (through VC)	
08	DFO, Almora Forest Division (through VC)	
09	DFO, Dehradun Forest Division (through VC)	
10	Representatives of the User Agency <i>viz.</i> NHAI, PWD, PMGSY and Peyjal Nigam.	

At the outset, Mrs. Neelima Shah, AIGF, welcomed all participants in the meeting and further forest diversion related matters/ proposals as desired/ proposed by the State Government/ Project Proponents were discussed in the meeting:

# Agenda Item No. 01:

Diversion of 5.3 ha of forest land for the construction of Bansoli motor road to Kunungra- Kimdhar- Seragad Gunar in favour of Public Works Department, within the jurisdiction of Badrinath Forest Division, Gopeshwar, Distt. Chamoli, Uttarakhand (FP/UK/ROAD/125264/2021).

The proposal was discussed with the DFO, Badrinath Forest Division and the concerned User Agency. It was apprised that the proposal was discussed in the REC meeting held on 29.08.2023 wherein the REC directed the State Government to withdraw this proposal and submit two separate proposals for providing connectivity to village Bansoli Walli and Kund Dungra only. The KML file of the proposal was seen and the user agency was directed to explore the road connectivity to the villages as per the directions given by the REC meeting held on 29.08.2023.

#### Agenda Item No. 02:

Diversion of 0.35 ha of forest land for construction of Banwaldhar Jarmwar to Bainji Kandai Motor Road in district Rudraprayag in favour of PWD, within the jurisdiction of Rudraprayag Forest Division, District Rudraprayag, Uttarakhand (FP/UK/ROAD/155241/2022).

The proposal was discussed with the User Agency. The KML file of the proposal was seen

in the meeting. The villages seems already connected with existing road. Further, it was noted that the area calculation of the proposed road as per the KML file comes to 1.42 ha instead of 0.35 ha.

After detailed discussion, it was decided that the document/ clarification/information on following point(s) may be sought from the State Government:

- 1. The DFO shall visit the site and submit the justification of the proposed road along with the need of the proposed road as the beneficiary villages seems already connected with the existing roads.
- 2. Correct KML file shall be submitted.
- 3. Plantation scheme of planting  $50 \times 10 = 500$  plants is required to be submitted.

### Agenda Item No. 03:

Diversion of 3.42 ha of forest Land for construction of Bageshwar Kapkot Tejam MR Km 57 to Badhi Panyali in favour of Rural Works Department, PIU, PMGSY, within the jurisdiction of Bageshwar Forest Division, District Bageshwar, Uttarakhand (FP/UK/ROAD/28915/2017).

The proposal was discussed with the concerned DFO along with the user agency. It was noted that the Stage-I approval was granted in the proposal vide letter dt. 09.06.2020. The KML file of the proposal was seen in the meeting and it was observed that part of the road cutting work has not been done on the proposed road as per KML file.

After detailed discussion, it was decided that the document/ clarification/information on following point(s) may be sought from the State Government:

- 1. During the meeting, KML file of proposed road was seen and it was observed that there is slight change in the road alignment. DFO, Bageshwar Forest Division shall carry out a joint inspection and submit a detailed report along with the report of violation, if any noticed.
- 2. The concerned DFO shall also submit the status of blacktopping of road.

# Agenda Item No. 04:

Diversion of 8.931 ha of forest Land for Construction of Farsali Palli To Kharkanatoli in favour of RWE, PMGSY, within the jurisdiction of Bageshwar Forest Division, District Bageshwar, Uttarakhand (FP/UK/ROAD/11292/2015).

The proposal was discussed with the concerned DFO along with the user agency. It was noted that the Stage-I approval was granted in the proposal vide letter dt. 24.08.2023. The KML file of the proposal was seen in the meeting and it was observed that part of the road cutting work has not been done on the proposed road as per the uploaded KML file. Further, another road is also visible on the same alignment which is adequately connecting the beneficiary villages, the user agency informed that it is a PWD road.

After detailed discussion, it was decided that the document/ clarification/ information on following point(s) may be sought from the State Government:

- 1. As per the user agency, there is a PWD road construction in the part of proposed road alignment. If the constructed road is not part of approved road alignment then the user agency shall return the same area to State Forest Department.
- 2. The Status of approval for existing PWD road.
- 3. The Project Proponent may be directed to surrender the unsued area and adjust the paid amount of NPV and CA in the future proposal.

# Agenda Item No. 05:

Diversion of 0.165 ha of forest Land for Mussoorie Sewerage Scheme (Camel back Zone STP) in favour of Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam, within the jurisdiction of Mussoorie Forest Division, District Dehradun, Uttarakhand (FP/UK/Others/43838/2020).

The proposal was discussed in detail with the concerned DFO and the project proponent. A detailed PPT presentation was given by the project proponent. It was apprised that there are 5 Sewerage Treatment Plants (STPs) which has been constructed in non-forest land in Mussoorie and 4 STPs are to be constructed. Further, it was also informed that out of these 4 STPs, 3 STPs have already received NoC from DFO concerned as there was already same construction before 1980 in the said area. Further, only one in Camel Back Zone is left for construction. Furthermore, the project proponent also justified that this project is site specific and area is bare minimum.

After detailed discussion, it was decided that the document/ clarification/information on following point(s) may be sought from the State Government:

1. The DFO shall submit the details of the NoC granted in the previous 3 STPs

proposals.

- 2. Is the previous 3 STPs are the part of forest area? if so, what is status of approval under FCA, 1980.
- 3. DFO shall inspect the area and submit a detailed report for construction of previous three STPs.

#### Agenda Item No. 06:

Diversion of 2.03 ha of forest Land for Construction of new motor road from Sungaon to Nahikalan in Doiwala in favour of PWD, within the jurisdiction of Dehradun Forest Division, District Dehradun, Uttarakhand (FP/UK/ROAD/37612/2018).

The proposal was discussed in the meeting with the concerned DFO and user agency. The KML file of the proposal was seen. It was observed that there is already a Path seen in the proposed alignment. The user agency informed that observed path is a fire line of Forest Department. Further, the user agency was asked to strengthen that existing fire line to a motorable road. The user agency submitted that the existing fire line is not feasible for road construction in view of gradient.

After detailed discussion, it was decided that the DFO, Dehradun Forest Division shall carry out a joint inspection in view of widening and strengthening the existing fire line to make a motorable road and why not proposed alignment to be avoided.

#### Agenda Item No. 07:

Diversion of 1.08 ha of forest Land for Construction of Manan to Chandrapur Link Motor road in favour of PWD, within the jurisdiction of Almora Forest Division, District Almora, Uttarakhand (FP/UK/ROAD/151552/2022).

The proposal was discussed with the DFO, Almora Forest Division and the user agency. It was noted that the Stage-I approval (vide letter dt. 04.09.2023) has already been granted in the proposal with felling permission of not more than 97 trees. Now, the State government vide letter dt. 03.07.2024 has asked permission of felling 189 trees which is almost double of the earlier trees proposed to be affected.

After detailed discussion, the State Government shall submit the detailed comparative chart of the 97 and 189 trees comprising of girth wise and species wise details.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Signed by Neelima Shah Date: 02-08-2024 11:00:53

(नीलिमा शाह, भा०व०से०) सहायक महानिरीक्षक वन (केन्द्रीय)

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 अपर मुख्य सचिव (वन) उत्तराखण्ड शासन, सुभाष रोड़, देहरादून ।
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