

**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change**  
**(Forest Conservation Division)**

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**Dated: the 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

To,

The Additional Secretary (Forests),  
Government of Uttarakhand,  
Dehradun

**Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 127.6712 ha of forest land for construction of Song Dam Drinking Water Project under Forest Division Dehradun and Mussoorie and District Dehradun and Tehri Garhwal of the State of Uttarakhand (Online Proposal No. FP/UK/WATER/40701/2019)**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your online proposal No. **FP/UK/WATER/40701/2019** dated 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2020 on the above mentioned subject and to inform that after careful examination of the proposal, the Ministry revealed to submit the following information:

- i. There is a discrepancy in the number of trees to be removed given in online form at column No. 4 (ii) of Part-II. In this column only 5860 trees have been shown instead of 6078 for Mussoorie FD and similarly for Dehradun Forest Division the number of trees has been shown online is 2608 instead of 2703.
- ii. Approved CAT plan from the Competent Authority may be uploaded on the PARIVESH Portal.
- iii. As per the land use plan 2.5576 ha land has been proposed for colony on Forest Land. Therefore, this activity may either be shifted on non-forest land or a certificate in respect of non-availability of forest land for colony may be submitted.

In view of the above, the State Government of Uttarakhand is requested to submit the information/ Justification, as indicated above, to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-  
(Surender Mehra)  
Dy. Inspector General of Forests

**Copy to:**

1. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
2. The DDGF (Central), Regional Office (NCZ), Dehradun.
3. The Nodal Officer, (FCA), Forest Deptt, Govt of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
4. User Agency.
5. Forest Conservation Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi