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To,

CCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FC), Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment Van Bhawan, Below Gumat, Jammu-180001 (ccffcajk1@gmail.com)

Sub: Diversion of 0.05 ha of Forest land for Construction of Treasury Building at Bani, District Kathua, UT of Jammu & Kashmir-reg.

Ref: i) Online proposal bearing on FP/JK/Others/153273/2022 received on dated 01.09.2022

Sir,

Kindly refer to the online proposal of Government of Jammu & Kashmir on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of **0.05** ha of forest land for non-forestry purpose in accordance with section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

- 2. After careful examination of the above-mentioned proposal of the Govt of J&K, the following information/clarification is still required to be submitted:
- i) A copy of notification or order indicating Village Wood Lot, established on State Land by the J&K Social Forestry Department, as forest land as required under Forest (Conservation) Act, needs to be submitted and the information under SN 2 of part II may be modified accordingly.
- **ii)** Proposal is not site specific and adequate justification for selecting the proposed forest land has not been submitted.
- iii) The details of all alternatives examined has not been furnished.
- iv) The undertaking from user agency regarding submission of FRA certificate has not been submitted.
- v) The copy of SoI toposheet map w.r.t proposed forest diversion land is not legible.
- vi) As per layout plan, the proposed forest diversion area is near to Sewa River. However, it has been mentioned that Project doesn't requires Clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act 1986. Looking at the gradient of land along the river, detailed muck disposal plan needs to be submitted including biological measures of slope estabilisation.
- vii) CA scheme and CA area needs to be revised for 23x10=230 number of saplings plantation over an area of 0.23 ha of CA land. Accordingly, the DGPS map, SOI toposheet and Site suitability map shall be revised.
- 3. The compliance to the above may be submitted within 30 days from the date of issue of this letter failing which the proposal shall be liable to be rejected for want to information.

Yours faithfully

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Sd/-(Raja Ram Singh) DIGF (Central) Regional Officer IRO Jammu

Copy to: -

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- ii) Director Accounts & Treasuries, District Jammu, U.T. of Jammu and Kashmir (datj@jk.gov.in)

Signed by Raja Ram Singh