हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार वन विभाग

No:- FFE-B-F002/46/2024

Dated Shimla-171002, the

23-04-2025

ORDER

Subject:- Diversion of 7.7913 ha of forest land in favour of NHAI for the construction of 4-Laning with Paved Shoulder of Bijni to Mandi Section from Existing KM 202.815 to Km 208.000 of NH-20 (New NH-154) (Design Length 5.357 Km) including Construction of Twin Tube Tunnel for a length of 3.500 KM of Pathankot-Mandi under NH(O) in Himachal Pradesh on Hybrid Annuity Mode Basis (Package-VB), within the jurisdiction of Mandi Forest Division, Distt. Mandi, Himachal Pradesh.-reg. (Online proposal No. FP/HP/ROAD/440879/2023)

भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, चंडीगढ़, उप—कार्यालय शिमला द्वारा वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) अधिनियम, 1980 की धारा—2 के अन्तर्गत जारी स्वीकृति पत्र संख्या दिनांक 14/03/2025 के परिणामस्वरूप, राज्यपाल, हिमाचल प्रदेश उपरोक्त विषय में दर्शित 7.7913 है0 वन भूमि के उपयोग के लिए विधिवत् स्वीकृति (Final Approval) निम्नलिखित शर्तों पर प्रदान करते हैं:—

1.General Conditions:-

S. No.	Conditions
1.1	 Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
	2. The number of trees/plants to be felled shall not in any way exceed
	the number indicated in the proposal and no harm shall be done to
	the wildlife during felling of trees. The felling of trees/plants will be
	carried out under the strict supervision of the State Forest
	Department and the amount spent on felling of trees/plants will be
	deposited by the user agency to the State Forest Department.
	3. As per the proposed CA Scheme, Compensatory afforestation (CA)
	shall be taken up by the State Forest Department over degraded
	forest land in 5 ha, Survey/compartment No. H43E2, Hataun/Deod
	DPF, Badar Block, Panarsa Forest Range, 3.5826 ha in compartment
	NoH43E2, DPF Banouli/Guhi, Badar Block, Panarsa Forest Range,
	5 ha in compartment NoH43E2, Wasan DPF, Rehardhan Block,
	Mandi Forest Range, 02 ha. Compartment No. H43E2, Bhuili DPF,
	Rehardhan Block, Mandi Forest Range, Mandi Forest Division,
	District-Mandi at the cost of the user agency. The Plantation shall be
	done within one year from the date of issue of approval. As far as
	possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and
	monoculture of any species shall strictly be avoided.
	4. The Divisional Forest Officer shall ensure that the approved CA will

- not be changed without the approval of Competent Authority.
- The Nodal Officer (State CAMPA) Authority shall ensure that the funds under State CAMPA will be released to Divisional Forest Officer as per approved CA scheme.
- The State Forest Department shall upload the KML files of the degraded forest area accepted for raising compensatory afforestation in the E-Green watch portal of FSI, before handing over of forest land to the user agency.
- 7. The initial permission will be given to this proposal for 99 years. After that the permission shall again be obtained from the Government of India. The period of diversion under this approval shall be coterminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
- 8. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- The user agency shall pay additional amount of NPV as and when increased by the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court and the State Forest Department will ensure that the increased amount is deposited.
- 10. No kind of damage will be done to the adjoining forest land. Simultaneously, all efforts will be made to save adjoining forest and forest land.
- 11. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall, under no circumstances, be transferred to any other agency, department, or person without approval of the Central Government.
- 12. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- 13. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- 14. The user agency shall carry out muck disposal at pre-designated sites as per the scheme approved.
- 15. Any other condition may be stipulated by the regional office from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
- 16. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- 17. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as per para 1.16 mentioned in the consolidated guidelines and clarifications on Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, issued by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC).
- 18. It will be the responsibility of the State Forest Department/User Agency to obtain all other prior approvals/clearances under all other relevant Acts/Rules/Court's Rulings/instructions, etc., including environmental clearance, as applicable to this proposal.

2. Standard conditions

3. Specific conditions:-

S. No.	Conditions
3.1	The Ministry may suspend/cancel this approval if the implementation of any of the above conditions is not satisfactory. The State Forest Department will ensure compliance of these conditions.
3.2	This final approval is subject to the final outcome wrt Hon'ble Supreme Court Orders in the CWP (C) No. 1164/2023 –titled as Ashok Kumar Sharma, IFS (Retired) and others Vs. Union of India and another dated 03-02-2025 & 4.3.2025

*NOTE :- State Forest Department wherever appearing Supra means PCCF(HoFF), H.P., State Nodal Officer (FCA) in supervisory and CF and DFO concerned in regulating, monitoring and implementing capacity.

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कमलेश कुमार पंत, भा०प्र०से० अतिरिक्त मुख्य सचिव (वन) हिमाचल प्रदेश सरकार

Endst. No. As above Dated, Shimla – 171002

93-04-2025

Copy is forwarded for information and necessary action to: -

- 1. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ.), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division), Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Aligani, New Delhi 110003.
- The Deputy Inspector General of Forests, IRO, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Sub-Office, Shimla (Regional Office Chandigarh), C.G.O. Complex, Shivalik Khand, Longwood, Shimla-171001 Himachal Pradesh.
- 3. The Pr. CCF (HoFF) with the request to ensure compliance of all conditions contained in the above order.
- The Nodal Officer-cum- PCCF(FCA) O/o HPFD HQ, Talland, Shimla-1 for similar necessary action.
- 5. The CEO, H.P. State CAMPA, O/o Pr. CCF (HoFF), H.P., Shimla-1
- 6. The Deputy Commissioner, Mandi, Distt. Mandi, Himachal Pradesh.
- 7. The Divisional Forest Officer, Mandi Forest Division, Distt. Mandi, H.P.
- 8. The Project Director, National Highway Authority of India (Ministry of Roads Transport & Highways) PIU-PALAMPUR, Office 1st & 2nd Floor Dyalji Niwas, Opp. Govt. Primary School Chimbalharr, Palampur, Distt. Kangra, Himachal Pradesh.
- 9. Guard file.

Special Secretary (Forest) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh
