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**Government of Himachal Pradesh
Department of Forest,**

FFE-B-F(2)-3/2013 (FCA)

ORDER

Dated Shimla-171002, the

Sub: Diversion of 15.5799 ha of forest land in favour of National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) for Widening and Strengthening of existing 2 lane shoulder to 4 lane with paved shoulders from Kiratpur to Ner Chowk from Km 151/100 to 189/000 section of NH-21 within the jurisdiction of Suket and Mandi Forest Divisions, Himachal Pradesh.

भारत सरकार पर्यावरण एवं वन मन्त्रालय कार्यालय दिल्ली द्वारा वन (संरक्षण) अधिनियम 1980 की धारा-2 के अन्तर्गत जारी स्वीकृति पत्र संख्या **No. 8-25/2013-FC (Vol-I)** दिनांक **16-12-2013** के परिणामस्वरूप राज्यपाल, हिमाचल प्रदेश उपरोक्त विषय में दर्शित 15.5799 hectare वन भूमि को User Agency i.e Project Director, Project Implementation Unit, National Highway authority of India, Shimla, HP, को उपयोग के लिए उपरोक्त पत्र में अंकित शर्तें पूरी करने पर स्वीकृति प्रदान की जाती है।

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over the degraded forest land, twice in extent to the forest land being diverted, shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department from the funds already provided by the User Agency.
3. The User Agency shall pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
4. The boundary of the diverted forest land, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, forward and back bearing and distance from pillar to pillar;
5. The user agency shall raise strip plantation on either side of the road and central verge at project cost, as per IRC specification with maintenance of 7-10 years.
6. Wherever possible and technically feasible, the User Agency shall undertake Afforestation measures along the roads within the area diverted under this approval, in consultation with the State Forest Department at the project cost.
7. The reclamation of quarry should be done under the supervision of the State Forest Department. The quarry shall be reclaimed and afforested completely before the project is closed.
8. Overburden shall not be dumped outside the width of the road. The muck generated in the earth cuttings will be disposed off at the designate dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be allowed to roll down the hill slopes.

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- 9 Wherever the road alignment is close to the river it should be ensured that no muck/debris is disposed off in the river.
- 10 The user agency will provide retaining walls, breast walls and drainage as per requirement to make the slope stable.
- 11 The User agency will undertake comprehensive soil conservation measures at the project cost in consultation with the State Forest Department.
- 12 The user agency shall not collect any toll from the vehicles carrying forest officers on duty.
- 13 The designing of culverts/bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/ canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.
- 14 No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;
- 15 The User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to be labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;
- 16 The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal;
- 17 The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- 18 The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- 19 No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
- 20 Any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department.
- 21 The user agency in consultation with the State Government shall create and maintain alternate habitat/home for the avifauna, whose nesting trees are to be cleared in this project. Bird's nests artificially made out of eco-friendly material shall be used in the area, including forest area and human settlements, adjoining the forest area being diverted for the project.
- 22 The user agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above conditions to the State Government and to the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry regularly.
- 23 Any other condition that the concerned Regional Office of the MoEF, GoI, may stipulate, from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife;
- 24 The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

25 उपरोक्त शर्तों में से किसी भी शर्त का कार्यान्वयन सन्तोषप्रद नहीं पाने पर इस स्वीकृति को स्थगित / रद्द किया जा सकता है। वन विभाग हि0प्र0 के माध्यम से इन शर्तों की अनुपालना को सुनिश्चित किया जायेगा।

By Order
Principal Secretary (Forests) to the
Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.

Dated, Shimla-171001 the, ... 19-12-13

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Copy is forwarded to:-

- 1 Assistant Inspector General of Forests, MoEF, Paryavaran Bhawan, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110510.
- 2 The Nodal Officer -cum-Addl.Pr.CCF (FCA), Forest Department, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001.
- 3 The Pr.CCF (HoFF) with the request to ensure compliance of condition contained from Sr.No. 1-27 in the above order.
- 4 The Deputy Commissioner, Distt. Mandi, Himachal Pradesh.
- 5 Project director, Project Implementation Unit, National Highway authority of India, Shimla, H.P. for information.
- 6 CCF,Mandi /DFO, Suket, Forest Division, Distt. Mandi, H.P.
- 7 Guard File.

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