



Government of Jammu and Kashmir  
Forests, Environment & Ecology Department

Subject:- Use of 2.7261 Ha. of forest land for construction of approach road to Western Portal of Z- Morh Tunnel on Srinagar- Sonamarg- Gumri road by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Govt. of India in Sindh Forest Division.

Reference: (i) Minutes of the 92nd meeting of the Forestry Advisory Committee held on 01-03-2016 under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary J&K, issued by the Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer(FCA) vide No.PCCF/FCA/2065/170-91 dated 11 -03-2016  
(ii) Cabinet Decision No. 16/02 /2016 dated 27 -04-2016.  
(iii) Letter No. PCCF/FCA/1688-II/3514-17 dated 10 -12-2016 received from the Pr.Chief Conservator of Forests(HoFF) ,J&K,

Government Order No. *24* -FST of 2017  
Date :- *15* -02-2017

Sanction is, hereby accorded to the use of 2.7261 Ha. of forest land for construction of approach road to Western Portal of Z-Morh Tunnel on Srinagar-Sonamarg- Gumri road by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Govt. of India in Sindh Forest Division with the following particulars:-

**Details of the Current Proposal:**

1.	User Agency/Applicant	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Govt. of India
2.	Location	Comptt. : 65a Block : Kullan Range : Sindh Division : Sindh District : Ganderbal
3	Forest land required	Approach road = 1.2461 Ha. Land for store (for keeping construction & maintenance of equipments during construction period) = 1.48 Ha. <b>Total: <u>2.7261 Ha.</u></b>
4.	Crop Density of the area	Open
5.	Whether the area involved forms part of the wildlife Protected Area	No

6	<b>Salient Features of the project:</b>				
	i.	Total length of the road	=	1050 Mtrs.	
	ii.	Length of the road through forest	=	733 Mtrs.	
	iii.	Width (RoW)	=	17 Mtrs	
	iv.	Total forest area involved	=	27261 Sq. Mtrs (2.7261 Ha.)	
	v.	Muck dumping Phase I	=	Dumping already proposed in	
sanctioned under G.O. No. 217-FST of 2013 dated 17.05.2013					
7.	<b>Number of Trees / Poles/ Saplings;</b>				
	Species	Trees (30-40cm & above)	Poles (20- 30cm & 10-20cm)	Saplings (0-10cm)	Total
	Kail	06	07	154	167
	Broad Leaved(Cuprous)	04	45	225	274
	Total	10	52	379	441

However, the above sanction shall be subject to the terms and conditions as given here-under:-

1. The proprietary and legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The forest land shall be utilized only for the purpose for which it has been indented, that too under close supervision and periodical spot inspection of the concerned Forest Department Officers. The report of the concerned DCF shall be submitted to the FAC Cell in the Office of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K, with copies to the Administrative Department.
3. The forest land shall not be mortgaged, reassigned, leased or sub-leased by user agency in any manner what so ever to any other agency.
4. The user Agency has made the payment in full of the amount summarized below, as reported by PCCF, vide letter mentioned at Ref.(iii)

S.No.	Component	Amount (Rs.)
i.	Net Present Value	Rs.19,05,544/-
ii.	Compensatory Afforestation	Rs.5,54,220/-
iii.	Compensation of trees/Poles/Sapp.	Rs.1,55,340/-
<b>Total</b>		<b>Rs.26,15,104/-</b>

5. The User Agency and / or its contractors will not bring any forest area under their use, other than the actual area/ activity approved by the Government for the instant proposal. Any laxity or deviation on this account by the user agency or its contractors will attract penal provisions of the relevant Acts/ legal provisions.
6. The User Agency shall pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
7. (i) The extraction of the trees/ poles shall be done by the State Forest Corporation/ Divisional Forest Officer concerned on the basis of markings administratively approved by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir. The marking for tree-felling will be done in consultation with the User Agency and

effort shall be made to save maximum number of trees. The cost of extraction and transportation shall be paid by the User Agency directly to the agency executing the extraction.

(ii) The fundamental rule for marking of trees, enumerated during processing of the instant proposal, will be to save maximum number of trees without compromising with the construction and maintenance of the approved project structures and no trees will be felled/ cut/ pruned/ lopped for purposes/ project activities other than those approved/ sanctioned.

8. The User Agency shall construct retaining walls/ breast walls on forest land and take all necessary steps to check soil erosion which may result due to proposed construction of the road in consultation with the Soil Conservation Department. The Forest Department shall take due cognizance under law for any laxity on this account on the part of the User Agency which might trigger soil erosion in the area.
9. The User Agency shall dump the mulba only on the designated sites. The User Agency shall be responsible for the eco-restoration of the muck dumping sites identified on forest land through engineering and biological means.
10. Any damage done to the forest by the User Agency or its contractors shall be charged from the User Agency @ 10 times the standard rate of 1992.
11. The forest land so allowed for use shall return to the Forest Department, free of any encumbrances, when it is no longer required by the User Agency.
12. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue before commissioning of the project.

**By order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.**

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(Muhammad Afzal), IAS  
Commissioner/ Secretary to Government  
Forest, Env. & Ecology Department.

Dated:- 15/02-2017.

No:FST/Land/23/2016

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1. Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, New Delhi.
2. Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Road Transport & (Highways) New Delhi.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) J&K, Jammu.
4. Commissioner/ Secretary to Government Public, Works, (R&B) Department.
5. Secretary to Government, General Administration Department.
6. Director, Soil & Water Conservation Department, J&K, Jammu.
7. Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir
8. CCF/Nodal Officer, FCA, office of the PCCF, J&K, Jammu
9. Director, Archives, Archaeology & Museums J&K, Jammu
10. Officer on Special Duty with the Hon'ble Minister for Forests, Env. & Ecology Department.
11. Special Assistant to HMoS Forest, Environment & Ecology.
12. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary (Chairman FAC)
13. Private Secretary to Commr. Secretary to Government, Department of Forests, Environment & Ecology
14. P.A to Special (Technical) Department of Forest, Environment & Ecology
15. Government order file.

  
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