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8. Addl. PCCF/Director, Environment Ecology & Remote Sensing, J&K	Member
9. Dr. S. P. Singh Dutta (Environmentalist)	Member (Non-Official)
10. Dr. G. A. Bhat (Environmentalist)	Member (Non-Official)

No: PCCF/FCA/2715/4139-64

Dated: 25/07/2018

Sub: 109th meeting of the Forest Advisory Committee, the J&K Forest (Conservation) Act, 1997.

Sir,

Kindly find enclosed herewith Minutes of the 109th meeting of the Forest Advisory Committee held on 19-07-2018 under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, J&K Government.

Yours faith fully,

(Abdul Ganai), IFS

Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA)
Member Secretary
Forest Advisory Committee

Copy alongwith minutes for information and necessary action to the:

1. Commissioner/ Secretary to Govt. Power Development Department, Civil Secretariat J&K Srinagar.
2. Commissioner/ Secretary to Govt. PW (R&B) Department, Civil Secretariat J&K Srinagar.
3. Addl. PCCF/Director, Social Forestry Department, J&K Srinagar.
4. Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir.
5. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
6. Secretary Technical Forest Department, Civil Secretariat Srinagar.
7. Chief Engineer, PMGSY, Jammu
8. Chief Engineer, PMGSY, Kashmir.
9. Chief Engineer, PW (R&B), Jammu
10. Chief Engineer, System and Operation Wing, PDD
11. Chief Executive Officer, JAKEDA Srinagar.
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MINUTES OF THE 109th MEETING OF THE FOREST ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF SH. B. V. R. SUBRAHMANYAM, IAS, CHIEF SECRETARY, JAMMU AND KASHMIR, AT CIVIL SECRETARIAT, SRINAGAR ON 19.07.2018

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1. The 109th meeting of the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) constituted under Jammu and Kashmir Forest (Conservation) Act, 1997, was held under the Chairmanship of Sh. B. V. R. Subrahmanyam, IAS, Chief Secretary, Jammu and Kashmir Government, at Civil Secretariat, Srinagar on 19th July 2018.

2. Following members of the Committee and Special Invitees attended the meeting:

(I) Members

1. Sh. Navin Kumar Choudhary, IAS Principal Secretary, Finance Department, J&K
2. Sh. Rohit Kansal, IAS Principal Secretary, Planning Development & Monitoring Department J&K
3. Sh. Shahid Anayatullah, IAS Commissioner/ Secretary, Revenue (Addl. Charge Financial Commissioner (Revenue) J&K
4. Sh. Saurabh Bhagat, IAS Commissioner/ Secretary to. Government, Forest Ecology & Environment Department, J&K
5. Sh. Ravi Kumar Kesar, IFS Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF)/ Chief Wildlife Warden J&K
6. Sh. Manoj Pant, IFS Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K
7. Sh. P. K. Singh, IFS Pr. CCF/ Director, Soil & Water Conservation, J&K
8. Sh. O.P Sharma, IFS Addl. PCCF/ Director, Environment and Remote Sensing Department, J&K
9. Dr. G. A. Bhat Member (Non-official)
10. Dr. S. P. Singh, Dutta Member (Non-Official)
11. Sh. Abdul Gani, IFS Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA) Member Secretary, Forest Advisory Committee

(II) Special Invitees

1. Sh. Hirdesh Kumar, IAS Commissioner/ Secretary to Govt. Power Dev. Department, J&K
2. Sh. Khurshid Ahmad Shah, IAS Commissioner/Secretary to Govt. PW (R&B) Department, J&K



3. Sh. Ashwani Kumar Gupta, IFS Addl. PCCF/Director, Social Forestry Deptt., J&K
4. Syed F. A. Gillani, IFS Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir
5. Sh. Sameer Bharat, IFS Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu
6. Sh. S. P. Manhas Chief Engineer (PMGSY), Jammu
7. Sh. Avinash Dubey Chief Engineer System and Operation PDD
8. Er. Javid Iqbal Tara Superintendent Engineer PMGSY
(Rep. Chief Engineer, PMGSY Kashmir).
9. Er. Ab. Majid Khan Superintendent Engineer PW (R&B) Jammu
(Rep. Chief Engineer, PW (R&B) Jammu)
10. Sh. Ab. Majid Bhat Executive Engineer Civil Rep. Chief Executive
Officer, JAKEDA
11. Colonel Singhraj Verma Headquarter 15 Corps, Rep. Army
12. Sh. Arshad Iqbal Assistant General Manager, PGCI
Rep. General Manager, PGCI

3. After welcoming the Chief Secretary and other participants, Commissioner/ Secretary Forest Department gave brief background about the matters related to FAC. Thereafter, Sh. Abdul Gani Hajam, IFS Member Secretary FAC presented the following proposals received from different indenting agencies for consideration of FAC:

Agenda No	Proposal	Decision
109.01	Proposal to allow use of 0.023 Ha of forest land for construction of water supply scheme at Dawar Garrison (under Ground Sumps) in Bandipore Forest Division by Army .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.02	Proposal for felling of 740 No. of trees/poles coming in the alignment for upgradation to 4 Lane with paved shoulder of Jammu-Akhnoor Section of NH-144A in Jammu Forest Division (316 trees/poles) and Social Forestry Division Jammu (424 trees/poles) by National Highway and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL).	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.

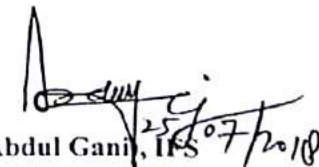
109.03	Proposal for felling of 48 trees/poles coming in the alignment of under construction 220 KV Double Circuit Amargarh-Wagoora Transmission lines associated with Kishenganga HEP in Social Forestry Division Pulwama by PGCI .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.04	Proposal for diversion of 7.2765 Ha. of forest land for laying of 132 KV D/C Ramban to Sangaldan Transmission Line in Batote Forest Division by J&K PDD (For Konkan Railway) .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.05	Proposal to allow use of 0.826 Ha. of forest land for construction of road from Dassal Jattan to Dassal Seeran in Rajouri Forest Division by PMGSY .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.06	Proposal to allow use of 2.2825 Ha. of forest land for construction of road from LO 43 Keri to Naghoon in Rajouri Forest Division by PMGSY .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.07	Proposal to allow use of 0.42 Ha of forest land for construction of road from LO 46 Muradpur to Thekerian (1 st) in Rajouri Forest Division by PMGSY .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.08	Proposal to allow use of 0.25 Ha. of forest land for construction of road from Salal to Bangteer in Reasi Forest Division by PMGSY .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.09	Proposal to allow use of 0.827 Ha. of forest land for construction of road from Kanga-Bhatni- Kothi Jagir (Phase- 2 nd) in Batote Forest Division by PMGSY .	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.10	Proposal to allow use of Additional 1.094 Ha. of forest land for up gradation of Ichoo Min Hydrel Project (MHP) from 1.60 MW to 5.0 MW in Anantnag Forest Division by Jammu and Kashmir Energy Development Agency (JAKEDA).	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.11	Proposal to allow use of Additional 0.58 Ha. of forest land for development up gradation of Mavar-Ahlan Mini Hydrel	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.



	Project (MHP) from 1.80 MW to 5.0 MW in Anantnag Forest Division by Jammu and Kashmir Energy Development Agency (JAKEDA).	
109.12	Proposal to allow use of 0.8025 Ha. of forest land for construction of road from Dudroo to Nowgam in Tangmarg Forest Division by PMGSY.	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.
109.13	Proposal to allow use of 4.15525 Ha. of forest land for construction of road from Km 4 th Lower Murrah to Hillkaka in Poonch Forest Division by PWD (R&B).	The proposal was approved on the terms and conditions as laid down in the agenda.

4. Subsequently, the FAC issued the following directions for observance by the concerned.
- i. Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) has granted a special dispensation wherein powers have been delegated to States in regard to certain matters in LWE areas. Forest Department was advised to access this delegation based upon which process an appropriate proposal for consideration of the competent authority by 05-08-2018.
 - ii. While submitting the proposal to connect any habitation with the main road, the Keyhole Markup Language (KMZ) file should also display the main road to which the proposed road shall get connected.
 - iii. The User Agencies shall consult the Officers of Forest Department at the project conceptualization stage so as to work out proposals with such alignment as would ensure minimum felling of trees and maximum preservation of flora and fauna.
 - iv. The details of the amount recovered on account of roadside plantations be placed before the FAC. Further, expenditure incurred on roadside plantations (District wise) be also placed before the FAC for perusal.
 - v. Forest Department shall submit a report in tabulated form with regard to the cases cleared by FAC since January 2010 with specific mention as to whether the terms and conditions in each case have been duly satisfied or not.
 - vi. The Forest Department will processed a proposal on setting up of an effective and robust monitor mechanism from the conceptual stage to implementation stage to ensure strict observance of FAC conditions in future case(s) for the next FAC meeting.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


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