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#### NOTIFICATION

**No. B. 11021/11/2010-FST/385-387, the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2014.** Whereas, para 3.1 (i) of the Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980; Forest Conservation Rules, 2003 and Guidelines & Clarification published by Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests clarifies that compensatory afforestation is one of the most important conditions stipulated by the Central Government while approving proposals for de-reservation or diversion of forest land for non-forest uses;

Whereas, para 3.4 (i) of the Handbook stipulates that equivalent non- forest land identified for compensatory afforestation are to be transferred to the ownership of the State Forest Department and declared as reserved/ protected forest, so that the plantation raised can be maintained permanently;

Whereas, Ministry of Environment & Forest vide letter No.2-I/2003-FC dt.20.10.2003 stipulates that "*The non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation should be declared as RF/PF under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 prior to Stage-II approval.*"

Whereas, the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India vide F.No.8-84/2002-FC dt.3.02.2004 amended para 4.2 (i) of the guidelines issued on 20.10.2003 under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 that " the non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation, should be declared as RF/PF under the Indian Forest Act, 1927. The land shall be handed over to the User Agency after the same has been mutated in favour of Forest Department. Stage-II clearance shall be given after the land is mutated in favour of the Forest Department but the Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of 6 months and send a copy of original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, as the case may be, to the Central Government for information and record."

Whereas, the State Revenue Department has transferred and mutated to State Environment & Forest Department an area of 47.89 ha. of non-forest land located at Damdai Village, Mualkawi hla, Rulpui lui kam in lieu of forest land diverted for execution of the projects namely Extension of Gas Bottling Plant at Mualkhang (2 ha), Widening of NH-54 (4.70 ha), construction of Zohmun-Mauchar road (17.50 ha) and construction of NH-150 (23.69 ha) vide notification No.K.15011/75/96-REV dt.2.8.2010 in accordance with the provision of section 8(a) of the Mizo District (Land & Revenue) Act, 1956 to be treated as Reserved forest under section 2(4) of the Lushai Hills District (House Site) Act, 1953; section 3(a) of the Mizo District (Land & Revenue) Act, 1956 and section 3(a) of the Mizo District (Agriculture Land) Act, 1963 and as assigned under sub-paragraph 2 of paragraph 3 of the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution of India.

And whereas, the Indian Forest Act, 1927 is not extended to Mizoram due to enforcement of the State Act called as the Mizoram (Forests) Act 1955;

Now therefore, in terms of direction given by the Central Government as above, and in exercise of the powers conferred by section 14 read with section 21 of the Mizoram (Forests) Act, 1955; the Governor of Mizoram is pleased to notify the under mentioned area transferred and mutated by Revenue Department to Environment & Forest Department as Government Reserved Forest with effect from the date of publication in Mizoram Gazette:

**Name of Government Reserve Forest** : *Compensatory Afforestation Reserve Forest at Mualkawi hla, Damdai village area*  
**District** : *Aizawl*  
**Extent of Area** : *47.89 hectares*

#### SITUATION AND LIMIT/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Location : Damdai Village, Mualkawi hla, Rulpui lui kam  
 Starting Point : At the North west and near the Rulpui river, the B.P.No.1 has been fixed. This is used for measuring the entire land.  
 B.P.No. 1 -2 : From B.P.No.1 the boundary goes 87° along with the Mualkawi cliff. At the 500 m the B.P.No.2 is fixed.  
 B.P.No.2-3 : From the B.P.No.2, the boundary goes 128° along with the Mualkawi cliff at the 1200 m the B.P.No.3 is fixed.  
 B.P.No.3-4 : From the B.P.No.3 the boundary goes 240° along with the Mualkawi cliff and at the 400 m long near the junction of Rahnem river and Rulpui river, the B.P.No.4 is fixed.  
 B.P.No.4-5 : From the B.P.No.4 the boundary goes 297° direction along with the vacant land and at the distance of 400 m the B.P.No.4 is fixed.  
 B.P.No.5-6 : From the B.P.No.5 the boundary goes 336° direction along with the Rulpui river and at the 300 m the B.P.No.5 is fixed.  
 B.P.No.6-7 : From the B.P.No.6 the boundary goes 277° along with the Rulpui river and at the 400 m the BP No.7 is fixed  
 B.P.No.7-1 : From the B.P.No.7 the boundary goes 330° direction along with the Rulpui river and at the 400 m long the B.P line catching B.P.No.1.

#### DIMENSION

LINE	H/D	F/B
1-2	500.00	87°
2-3	1200.00	128°
3-4	400.00	240°
4-5	400.00	297°
5-6	300.00	336°
6-7	400.00	227°
7-1	400.00	330°

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