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#### NOTIFICATION

**No. B. 11021/11/2010-FST/379-381, 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 20 ha. of non-forest land located at Durtlang village area in lieu of forest land diverted for construction of Serkhan-Bagha Bazaar NEC road vide notification No.L. 11011/I/95-REV dt.17.5.1996 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 the 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 under Serkhan-Bagha Bazaar NEC road*  
**District** : *Aizawl*  
**Extent of Area** : *20 hectares*

#### SITUATION AND LIMIT/BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

- Location : It was situated between Patuikhuah lui and Bengbawng Lui in the North West of Durtlang Village at a distance of 1.7 Km which is about 1500.00 metres from Aizawl - Silchar Main Road.
- Starting Point : B.P. No 1 is fixed North - Western corner of its area. It is about 280.00m ridge of Bengbawng lui.
- B.P. No 1-2 : From B.P. No. 1 the boundary line run in a direction of 80 degree and at a distance of 280.00m (H) B.P. No. 2 was fixed.
- B.P. No. 2-3 : From B.P. No. 2 the boundary line was run in the direction of 187 degree and at a distance of 725.00m H B.P. No. 3 was fixed.
- B.P. No. 3-4 : From B.P. No. 3 the boundary line is run in a direction of 322 degree and follows Kanan kawng (Foot Path) B.P. No. 4 was fixed at a distance of 500.00m (H).
- B.P. No. 4-1 : From B.P. No. 4 the boundary line was run in a direction of 25 degree and follows Sangthankhuma's huan kawng (Foot Path) at a distance of 300.00m (H) and it meets the starting point B.P. No. 1.

#### DIMENSION :

B.P. No.	F/B	Distance Mtr. (H)
1-2	80 <sup>0</sup>	280.00
2-3	187 <sup>0</sup>	725.00
3-4	322 <sup>0</sup>	500.00
4-1	25 <sup>0</sup>	300.00

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