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Mr. Kazi Shofiqul Azam
Additional Secretary
Economic Relations Division
Ministry of Finance
Block 8, Room 3
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Dhaka

Dear Additional Secretary Mr. Azam:

***Proposed Forest Investment Program (FIP) Investment Plan
Preparation Mission. October 17-20, 2016***

Your clearance is kindly requested for the World Bank mission for the Forest Investment Program (FIP). Barring any objection from your side this mission will take place during October 17-20, 2016.

The main objective of the mission is to discuss on FIP Focal Point and Project Implementation Unit and reach agreements on the next steps for the preparation of the investment plan.

The World Bank team will comprise of Messrs. /Mmes: Madhavi M. Pillai (Senior Natural Resource Management Specialist and Task Team Leader); Istiak Sobhan (Environmental Specialist); Nadia Sharmin (Environmental Specialist); Jagjeet Singh Sareen (Sr. Policy Planning Officer) and Janet Bably Haldar (Program Assistant).

The mission would like to meet with Ministry of Environment and Forest (MOEF); Bangladesh Forest Department (BFD) and Economic Relation Division (ERD). The mission will also meet with the development partners.

A draft mission schedule is attached for information, and this would be revised based on further discussion. For further information, please contact Ms. Madhavi M. Pillai at (mpillai3@worldbank.org).

Sincerely,



Rajashree S. Paralkar

cc: Mr. Mohammad Mejbahuddin, Senior Secretary, Economic Relations Divisions
Dr. Kamal Uddin Ahmed, Secretary, Ministry of Environment & Forests
Mr. Abdullah Al Mohsin Chowdhury, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forests
Mr. Md. Yunus Ali, Chief Conservator of Forest, Bangladesh Forest Department
Mr. Md. Shamsur Rahman Khan, Deputy Chief, Ministry of Environment and Forests
Ms. Nazia Afrin Chowdhury, Senior Assistant Chief, Economic Relations Divisions
Mr. Md. Mozharul Islam, Conservator of Forests, Bangladesh Forest Department
Mr. Uttam Kumar Saha, Project Director, Bangladesh Forest Department
Mr. Subhash Chandra Garg, Executive Director for Bangladesh, World Bank
Mr. Muhammad Musharraf H. Bhuiyan, Alternate Executive Director for Bangladesh, World Bank
Mr. Suresh Yadav, Advisor to the Executive Director for Bangladesh, World Bank

Draft Forest Investment Program (FIP) Investment Plan Preparation
Mission: October 17-20, 2016

Date & Time	Description	Venue	Status
<i>Monday, 17 October 2016</i>			
1000 hrs	Preliminary meeting with BFD	WBOD	Proposed
<i>Tuesday, 18 October 2016</i>			
0930 hrs	Meeting with BFD	BFD	Proposed
1130 hrs	Meeting with Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF)	CCF office, BFD	Proposed
1400 hrs	Meeting with Additional Secretary, MOEF	MOEF, Secretariat	Proposed
<i>Wednesday, 19 October 2016</i>			
0930 hrs	Meeting with Secretary, MOEF	MOEF, Secretariat	Proposed
1300 hrs	Meeting with BFD	AF Office	Proposed
<i>Thursday, 20 October 2016</i>			
1000 hrs	Check-out meeting with CMU	WBOD	Proposed
1400 hrs	Warp-up meeting with ERD	ERD	Proposed
1600 hrs	Team meeting	WBOD	Proposed