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To

✓ The Secretary,
Govt. of Maharashtra,
Revenue & Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400032.

Sub: De-reservation of 15.37 ha Forest land which was allotted to 'Panshet' Project Affected Farmers for agriculture purpose in Village Loni Kalbhor, Tal. Haveli, District Pune in the State of Maharashtra – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Maharashtra's letter no. FLD-1916/CR-324/F-10 dated 03.04.2017 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to inform that examination of the proposal in the Regional Office revealed following:

- i. The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated 13.1.2000 passed in I. A. No.2 in Writ Petition no. 337 of 1995 inter-alia directed that "*Pending further orders, no de-reservation of forests/sanctuaries/national park shall be effected*". The order was again re-iterated by Hon'ble Supreme Court on 9.2.2004 in IA No. 16.
- ii. In view of the above ruling of Hon'ble Supreme Court, de-reservation of any forest land without prior approval of Hon'ble Supreme Court shall amount to the contravention of the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court as contained in order dated 13.11.2000 and 9.02.2004.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to direct the User Agency to obtain the prior approval of Hon'ble Supreme Court. Pending the prior approval of Hon'ble Supreme Court, the proposal of the State Government stands closed.

Yours faithfully


Charan Jeet Singh
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1. The PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
2. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o the PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
3. User Agency.
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