#### Government of Maharashtra

### **By Speed Post**

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To,

Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Government of India, Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines, Nagpur-440001.

#### Subject:- Forest Land -Pune

Diversion of 0.45 ha. forest land under Section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for Widening of existing Pashan to NDA DP Road at Bavdhan, Tal. Mulshi, Dist. Pune in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/ROAD/152747/2022).

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Nagpur has submitted proposal for diversion of 0.45 ha. forest land under Section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for Widening of existing Pashan to NDA DP Road at Bavdhan, Tal. Mulshi, Dist. Pune in the State of Maharashtra.

The details of forest land proposed for diversion are as under:-

	Sr.	Item of Work	District	Taluka	Village	Comptt.	Length	X	Forest area	Remar
	No.					No.	Width	(in	(in ha.)	ks
l				,			m.)			
ſ	1	Widening of	Pune	Mulshi	Bavdhan	3 (Compt	Irregular		0.45	R.F.
ŀ		Existing				No.171.	Shape			
		Pashan to				Pt)				
		NDA DP								
		Road at								
		Bavdhan,								
		Tal. Mulshi,								· l
		Dist. Pune in								
		the State of								
		Maharashtra.								
			g of Pune Mulshi Bavdhan 3 (Compt No.171. Shape Pt)  to DP at at ship, ne in e of							

2. The DP road from Pashan to NDA (Km.0/122 to 0.450) having width of 10.00 m. already exists. To cope up with future demand for expanded lanes to accommodate increased traffic volume and to improve the connectivity, the road needs widening by adding 13.00 m. width to one side of the road and improvements as per standards prescribed by the Indian Road Congress.

# 3. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pune Forest Division, Pune has certified that:-

- 3.1) No alternate alignment is possible and the forest land required is minimum.
- 3.2) The area belongs to Eco value Class-III having Density is 0.1 (Tropical Dry Deciduous forest)
- 3.3) There are 50 trees of various species and trees involved in implementation of the project. The girth wise breakup is as under:-

Tree Girth in Cm.											
0-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	91-105	106- 120	121- 150	150 above	Total		
0	6	7	10	3	5	4	3	12	50		

- 3.4) The area involved in the project does not from part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 3.5) Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archaeological or recreational importance.
- 3.6) There are no violation of forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- 3.7) Proposed Project is beyond 10 Km. of nearest Wildlife Sanctuary/National Park and its Eco sensitive Zone.
- 3.8) Compensatory Afforestation is proposed over 0.50 ha. degraded Forest land in Gut. No. 406 at Bhare, Taluka-Mulshi, Dist. Pune is contiguous and suitable for afforestation & management purpose. It is also free from encroachments and encumbrances.
- 3.9) The non-forest area covered under the project is not under the provision of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975 by virtue of application of Section 35 of Indian Forest Act, 1927 and are not recognized as deemed reserved forest as well as not included in the area identified as "forest" as per dictionary meaning of forest as intimated to the expert committee appointed under interim judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12/12/1996.
- 3.10) There is no suitable alternative non forest land is available.

## 4. The User Agency has submitted undertakings:-

- 4.1 to defray the cost of Net Present Value.
- 4.2 to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.
- 4.3 to submit compliance under FRA-2006.
- 5. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pune and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Pune have recommended the proposal for approval under Section-2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.
- 6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. His recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.
- 7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his specific recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.
- 8. In the circumstances explained in aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted under Section-2 (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, subject to conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) and Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before the Government of India for approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

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Encl: A) Set of case papers

B) The following documents are enclosed:-

1. Prescribed form as per Rules.

- 2. Area Statement
- 3. Commitment from the Applicant for defraying the cost of Net Present Value & Compensatory Afforestation.
- 4. Brief note of the project
- 5. Site Inspection Report.
- 6. Certificate in Part V.

## Copy:-

- 1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi.
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra Stage, Nagpur.
- 3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & C.E.O, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur
- 4. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/FCA-S1/PID-152747/1393/Pune, Dt. 03.08.2023.
- 5. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Pune.
- 6. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pune.
- 7. Chief Engineer (Road), Pune Municipal Corporation, Pune.
- & Select File (F-10).

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## PART - V

(To be filled up by the Secretary In charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

1. Recommendation of the State Government

The proposal is recommended vide Government letter No. FLD-1923/CR-278/F-10

Dated:-27/02/2024

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