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To,

The Principal Secretary to the Government of Andhra Pradesh,  
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,  
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Room No.268, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 4<sup>th</sup> Block,  
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**Subject: Diversion of 0.85 ha of forest land in compartment No.132, Mangalagiri Block, Tadepalli RF, Guntur for providing BT surface to the road from Brahmanandapuram Church to AIIMS road in favour of Municipal Commissioner, Tadepalli Municipality, Tadepalli- Reg**

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.1008/Section. II/2021 dated 07.07.2021 and online proposal No. FP/AP/ROAD/64525/2020 seeking prior approval of the Government of India in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project. The project was accorded in-principle approval (Stage-I) by the Central Government vide letter dated 18.08.2021. The State Government vide letter No. 1008/Section. II/2021 dated 12.01.2021 have reported compliance to the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.85 ha of forest land in compartment No.132, Mangalagiri Block, Tadepalli RF, Guntur for providing BT surface to the road from Brahmanandapuram Church to AIIMS road in favour of Municipal Commissioner, Tadepalli Municipality, Tadepalli, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) Ten times of the trees to be felled in the diverted forest area shall be planted and maintained in the nearby degraded forest area by the State Forest Department from the amount which has already been realized from the User Agency;

- (iii) Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency;
- (iv) The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas;
- (v) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- (vi) **The DFO, Guntur Forest Division reported that along southern boundary of the road the electricity department laid electrical poles and electrical line (11 KV) by violating the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Hence, it is to inform that the forest area utilized for laying of electrical pole and line shall not be treated as diverted under FCA, 1980 and the State Government shall initiate action against violators under the local forest act and may direct the electricity department to remove their assets. In case, the Electricity Department is interested in the project, they may be directed to submit proposal seeking approval from the competent authority under FCA, 1980;**
- (vii) The User Agency shall raise avenue plantation on both sides of the road wherever possible at the project cost;
- (viii) Wherever feasible, translocation of trees may be carry out at the cost of the User Agency;
- (ix) Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animal;
- (x) Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;
- (xi) The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;
- (xii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;





- (xiii) The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;
- (xiv) Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- (xv) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.85 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
- (xvi) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (xvii) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xviii) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;
- (xix) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada, may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency;
- (xx) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions and guidelines of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Yours faithfully,




**(N.S.Murali)**

Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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