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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,
M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi,
Bangalore - 560 001.

Subject: Diversion of 0.18 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 21, Bandigani Village, Terdal Hobli, Jamkhandi taluk, Bagalkot District for laying of Raising Main Pipeline (1.32m dia) under Sri Venkateshwar Lift Irrigation Scheme in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Ltd (KNNL) R&R Division, Athani, Belagavi District -reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE 62 FLL 2020 (e) dated 07/10/2020 seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in respect of the above project. The in-principle (Stage-I) approval to the project was accorded by the Central Government vide letter of even number dated 20th October, 2020. The State Government has submitted the compliance report through online PARIVESH portal on 23/02/2024 for the conditions stipulated by the Central Government in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's final approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **0.18 ha.** of forest land in Sy.No. 21, Bandigani Village, Terda Hobli, Jamkhandi taluk, Bagalkot District for laying of Raising Main Pipeline (1.32m dia) under Sri Venkateshwar Lift Irrigation Scheme in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Ltd (KNNL) R&R Division, Athani, Belagavi District, subject to the following conditions:-

A. Conditions which need to be complied prior to issue of final approval by State Government and handing over of forest land to User Agency:


1. The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with.
2. The State Government shall upload the KML file of the forest area diverted on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details.

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B. Conditions which need to be complied after handing over of forest land to the User Agency by the State Government:

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the forest land to be diverted shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the cost of User Agency as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. The 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 and the same shall be transferred to the designated CAMPA Account.
4. If the pipeline is overground, sufficient provision shall be made for essential movement of people and animals.
5. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
6. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
7. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
8. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than i.e. specified in the project proposal.
9. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.18 ha.
10. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Government of India.
11. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
12. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area.
13. The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Bangalore by the end of March every year.
14. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
15. The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
16. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

Yours faithfully,


(M.K. Shambhu)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ Division), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.

3. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FC) /Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
4. The Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Ltd (KNNL) R&R Division, Athani, Near HBC Office, Belagavi District -591 304. Karnataka.
5. Guard file.

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(M.K.Shambhu)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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