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Date: 20th March, 2023

To,

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Subject: Diversion of 3.582 ha (2.739 +0.843) of forest land in erstwhile WLM Division, Medak., for laying of pipeline in segment – 8/2(Singuru) for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Sangareddy- reg

Madam,

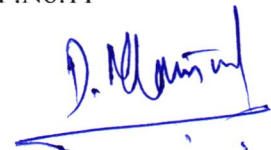
Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos. 4566/For.I(1)/2016-1 dated 28.11.2016 and online Proposal No FP/TG/WATER/18118/2016 seeking prior approval of the Government of India in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project. The project was accorded **in-principle approval (Stage-I)** by the Central Government vide letter dated 06.03.2017.

The State Government vide letter No 556/2017/S4-A dated 05.06.2018 accorded working permission to the user agency as per the powers delegated to the state. Further, the compliance report on the conditions stipulated in in-principle approval was submitted by the state government vide letter No 4566/For.I(1)/2016 dated 25.10.2019 and the PCCF Telangana letter No 3545/2016/FCA-1 dated 23.01.2021.

After careful consideration of the compliance report submitted by the State Government and the working permission accorded, I am directed to convey the Central Government's **formal approval (Stage-II)** under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 3.582 ha (2.739 +0.843) of forest land in erstwhile WLM Division, Medak, for laying of pipeline in segment – 8/2(Singuru) for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Sangareddy, subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The state forest department shall demarcate the proposed forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters from the amount already been realized from the User Agency.
3. The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 3.582 ha out of the 187.677 ha of non-forest land identified in Sy.No.169 of Peddamunagala and in Sy No. 139 & 147 of Thimmapuram in Chandampet Mandal of Nalgonda District from the amount which has already been realized from the User Agency.

4. Identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
5. The Non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in the name of the Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation shall be declared as Reserved Forest/ Protected Forest as per the provisions of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act. **The Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of 6 months from the date of grant of final approval and send a copy of the original notification to this office for information and record.**
6. **State Government and the User Agency shall implement all such mitigation measures and other conditions as recommended by the standing Committee of the NBWL.**
7. 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.
8. The pipeline shall be laid down 1.5 meter below the ground and after laying down of pipeline, the ground will be leveled.
9. The complete compliance of the FRA,2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
10. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the EPA, 1986, if applicable.
11. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
12. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction material for execution of the project work.
13. The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or subleased to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Govt. of India.
14. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Govt. of India.
15. 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.
16. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not **exceed** 3.582 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
17. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
18. 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.
19. Any other conditions that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
20. Violation of any of these will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC dt 29/01/2018.



Yours faithfully,



(D.Manjunatha)

20/3/2023

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Inspector General of Forests, ROHQ, MoEF&CC, New Delhi for kind information please.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forest Department, Govt. of Telangana Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
3. Nodal Officer (FCA), Govt. of Telangana Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
4. The Superintending Engineer, Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project, Sangareddy, Medak, 502001
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