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BY SPEED POST

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Dated the 14th January, 2016

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 1.5383 ha. deemed 'forest' land with private ownership in Sy. No. 146/57 A1 E1 of Neriya village in Belthangady Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District for establishment of 24 MW Mini Hydel Scheme in favour of M/s SLV Power Private Ltd.

Sir,

Kindly refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE 57 FLL 2014 dated 30/03/2015 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 30th September, 2015 for a period of 20 years, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The status of land as "deemed forest" shall remain unchanged.
2. The demarcation of the deemed forest area being diverted shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency.
3. The cost of raising Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over equivalent non-forest land (1.5383 ha.) in Sy.No.146/57/A3/D9 of Neriya village, Belthangady Taluk shall be deposited by the user agency.
4. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted deemed forest land of 1.5383 ha. from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995.
5. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted deemed 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. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
6. The cost of execution of the Catchment Area Treatment plan shall be deposited by the User Agency.
7. The User Agency shall make online payment of the cost of CA, NPV and CAT Plan with Adhoc- CAMPA through e-payment module of Forest Clearance portal-forestclearance.nic.in.
8. Only minimum number of trees shall be cut based on the actual requirement of the project, as proposed by State Government.

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9. The weir should be kept open for drinking of water by wild animals. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
10. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 1.5383 ha.
11. Any other condition that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore may impose from time to time for protection, improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area and public convenience, shall also be applicable.

The State Government vide letter No.FEE 57 FLL 2014 dated 29/12/2015 have reported compliance/ acceptance to 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 approval **(Stage-II)** under Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 1.5383 ha. deemed 'forest' land with private ownership in Sy. No. 146/57 A1 E1 of Neriya village in Belthangady Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District for establishment of 24 MW Mini Hydel Scheme in favour of M/s SLV Power Private Ltd., Mangalore, for a period of 20 years, subject to the following additional conditions:-

1. The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised over equivalent non-forest land (1.5383 ha.) in Sy.No.146/57/A3/D9 of Neriya village, Belthangady Taluk at the cost of User Agency. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for any change of compensatory Afforestation site.
2. The Non-forest land for Compensatory afforestation shall be declared as RF/PF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act within a period of 6 months and Nodal Officer (FCA) shall report the compliance within 6 months.
3. Catchment Area Treatment Plan shall be executed under the supervision of DCF, Mangalore.
4. The DGPS readings of the 1.5383 ha. of non-forest land identified for Compensatory Afforestation as well as the forest land diverted shall be communicated to this office within 30 days of transfer of the forest land.
5. Violation of any of the conditions shall invite penal action, as deemed fit by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore.

Yours faithfully,


(S.M. Somashekar)



Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Director General of Forests & Special Secretary to 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, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
3. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/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. M/s SLV Power Private Ltd., YMK Compound, Ashok Nagar, Mangalore – 575 006 (Karnataka).
5. Guard file.


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Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)


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