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F.No. 4-TSA134/2018-CHN/ 856

Date 13th May, 2022

To,

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

Subject: Diversion of **62.5749 ha (revised from 62.25 ha)** of forest land for construction of four laning of NH 363 Hyderabad-Karimnagar-Chanda Road from KM 0.000 (KM 251.900) to KM 94.602 (Km 342.000) in favour of DGM (Tech.) & Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Nirmal.

Madam,

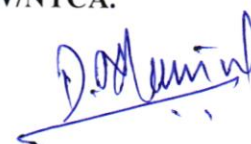
Please refer to the State Government's letter No.3905/For.I(1)/2018 dated 25.09.2018 and online proposal No. FP/TG/ROAD/32342/2018 seeking prior approval of the Government of India in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above-mentioned project. The project was accorded *in-principle* approval (Stage-I) by the Central Government vide letter F. No. 4-TSA134/2018-CHN/1942 dated 13.12.2018. The State Government vide letter No.3905/For I (1)/2018 dated 23.04.2022 have reported compliance to the conditions stipulated in the *in-principle* approval.

After careful consideration of the compliance report submitted by State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's final approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of 62.5749 ha (revised from 62.25 ha) of forest land for Four Laning of NH 363 Hyderabad-Karimnagar-Chanda Road from KM 0.000 (KM 251.900) to KM 94.602 (Km 342.000) in favour of DGM (Tech.) & Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Nirmal subject to the following conditions: -

- I. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- II. The State Forest Department shall carry out Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over 33.00 ha in Compt No 417 in Tungeda RF, Tungeda Beat, Tekkalapalli Section of Rebbana Range of Asifabad Division and 94.00 ha in Compt No 677, 709 & 711 of

Indaram RF, Sarangapalli Beat and Indaram beat of Mancherial Division, at the cost of the User Agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.

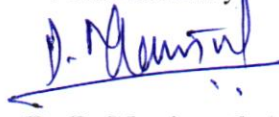
- III. Following Special measures proposed by the Chief Wild Life Warden of Telangana for conservation of wildlife in and around the proposed diversion of forest shall be implemented by the UA and compliance reported by the State Forest Department immediately after completion of work.
- a. Underpass
 - b. Eco- bridge
 - c. Chain link fencing
 - d. Habitat improvement measures
 - e. Water & Fire management measures.
- IV. All the conditions imposed by NTCA in its 58th meeting shall be complied by the User Agency and the State Forest Department and compliance reported by the State Forest Department immediately upon completion of work.
- V. The SFD submitted that all the levies due are paid by the User Agency. The details of payments shall be uploaded on PARIVESH portal immediately and if any unpaid amounts are due shall be recovered along with applicable interest.
- VI. User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum numbers in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
- VII. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribe certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- VIII. **User agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road as per the IRC norms.**
- IX. **Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals of about 500 m in the Protected Areas/Forest Areas.**
- X. **The user agency shall provide suitable under/over pass and other structures in Protected Area/Forest area as per the recommendations of CWLW/NTCA.**



- XI. The user agency shall obtain Environmental Clearances as per the provisions of the Environmental (protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- XII. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- XIII. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- XIV. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- XV. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- XVI. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- XVII. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
- XVIII. Violation of any of these conditions 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,
- XIX. Any other condition 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.

A compliance report on the above conditions may be submitted within six months for effective monitoring please.

Yours faithfully


(Dr.D. Manjunatha) 13/05/2022

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Telangana Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
2. IGF, ROHQ Division, MOEF&CC for kind information please.
3. The DGM, National Highways Authority of India, Project Implementation Unit, H.No. 1-2, 21/K16/18, L.K. Towers, 2nd Floor, Shivaji Chowk, Nirmal District, Telangana-504106.