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## PART - V

(To be filled up by the Secretary In charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

1. Recommendation of the State Government

The Proposal is recommended vide Government letter No.FLD-2119/CR-59/F-10 Dated: 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2019

(Virendra Tiwari)

**Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests** 

(Mantralaya)

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Place: Mumbai

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# Government of Maharashtra

### **By Speed Post**

No.FLD-2119/CR-59/F-10 Room no. 456/ 461 Annex, Revenue and Forest Department, Madam Kama Road, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk, Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400 032. Dated: 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2019

To,

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Regional Office, West Central Region,
Ground Floor, East Wing,
New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines,
Nagpur-440 001.

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Sir,

The proposal is for Rehabilitation of PAP's of Village Dicholi, Tal-Patan, Dist-Satara due to Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary in Reserved Forest Gut No. 422/1 at Village- Khambale Bhalavni, Tal-Khanapur, Dist-Sangli in the state of Maharashtra. Details of forest land are as under:-

Item	Village	Tehsil & District	Gut No.	Area in ha.	Legal Status
Rehabilitation of Village	Khambale	Tal-Khanapur	422/1	20.00	Reserved Forest
Dicholi, Tal-Patan, Distt-	Bhalavni	Dist-Sangli			(In charge of
Satara due to Koyna					Forest
Wildlife Sanctuary in village					Department)
Khambale Bhalavni, Tal-				:	
Khanapur, Distt-Sangali					
Total Area in Hecatre				20.00	-

2. The project has been initiated by Deputy Conservator of Forests (T), Sangli for Rehabilitation of PAP's of Village Dicholi, Tal-Patan, Dist-Satara due to Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary in Reserved Forest Gut No. 422/1 at Village Khambale Bhalavni, Tal-Khanapur, Dist-Sangali in the state of Maharashtra.

Rehabilitation of Village-Dicholi, Tal-Patan, Dist-Satara due to Koyna sanctuary and Sahyadri, Rehabilitation was done on 85.00 ha. of disforested area of village Babarmachi, Tal-Karad, Dist-Satara. But after carrying survey work of that land it is observed that 24 ha. land is hilly area and not suitable for farming or any other purpose for project affected

persons. 1 acre agriculture land is available for each of 63 Khatedar and remaining 1 acre of agriculture land is given to Khatedar from Villages Wagheri and Karavdi, Tal-Karad.

To give remaining half acres of agriculture land to PAP's, Project affected khatedar selected the land from Village- Khambale (Bhalavni), Tal-Khanapur, Dist-Sangli. As per report of Assistant Conservator of Forest (Wildlife) Koyna/Project Officer, Rehabilitation Koyna Sanctuary, the said land is handed to Social Forest Department in 2015 for Biodiversity project. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur has ordered the work on biodiversity project should stop and it is ordered that the land disforestation proposal of Village-Khambale (Bhalavni) should be submitted.

As per direction of Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur, Deputy Conservator of Forests (T), Sangli has submitted the proposal for Rehabilitation of PAP's of Village Dicholi, Tal-Patan, Dist-Satara due to Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary in Reserved Forest Gut No. 422/1 at Village Khambale Bhalavni, Tal-Khanapur, Dist-Sangli.

- 3. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that no suitable alternate non-forest land is available for the purpose of Rehabilitation of Dicholi Village of Koyna Wild Life Sanctuary and demand for the required forest land is lowest minimum demand.
- 4. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that this proposal is additional rehabilitation of Village-Dicholi, Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary. Hence, Compensatory afforestation is not applicable.
- 5. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 or its guidelines in the present project.
- 6. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has submitted the Site Inspection Report.
- 7. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the area involved does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary and Nature Reserve etc.
- 8. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the proposed project is not within 10 Km of the boundaries from the Wildlife Sanctuary/National Park.
- 9. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that proposed project is not likely to affect any monuments site of cultural, historical, religious, archaeological or recreational importance.
- 10. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the project is Rehabilitation of Dicholi villages of Koyna Wild Life Sanctuary. Hence, Net Present Value is not applicable in this project.
- 11. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the alternatives examined are not applicable.

- 12. There are 867 trees of various species and girth class in the area proposed for diversion.
- 13. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that forest land covered under the project for additional rehabilitation of Village-Dicholi, Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary are not under the provision of section 35 of the Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act,1975 and not recognized deemed reserved forest as well as not included in the area identified as "Forest" as per the dictionary meaning of Forest as intimated to the Expert Committee appointed under interim judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court 12/12/1996.
- 14. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the project is Rehabilitation of Dicholi Villages of Koyna Wild Life Sanctuary. Hence, Forest Department is fully agrees to bear the cost of 867 trees clearance/removal of the vegetation growth form the forest land.
- 15. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the project area is not included in the Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975 under the provision of Section 22(A).
- 16. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the project area is not involved in the enquiry under the Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975.
- 17. The user agency has not submitted the compliance under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Rights) Act 2006.
- 18. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has submitted the Certificate of Khambale-Bhalwani Gram Panchayat which mentioned following:-
- "Land measuring 102 ha. of Village- Khambale-Bhalwani has been acquired for Bio-diversity project, there are 47 landless families in village, Hence opposes for giving land for the project."
- 19. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli has certified that the proposed land for diversion is outside the Scheduled Tribe area.
- 20. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli and Chief Conservator of Forests (T) Kolhapur have recommended the proposal.
- 21. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his specific recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.
- 22. In the circumstances explained in the aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted for the non-forestry use on the conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),

Maharashtra State, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before the Government of India for its approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, be obtained and communicated to this Government at earlier.

Yours faithfully,

(Virendra Tiwari) 28/02/19

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Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

(Mantralaya)

Encl: A) Set of case papers

- B) The following documents are enclosed:-
- 1. Prescribed form as per Rules
- 2. Certificate regarding minimum demand for forest land for the project
- 3. Area Statement
- 4. Index map of suitable scale
- 5. Brief note of the project from the project authority
- 6. Site Inspection Report by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli
- 7. Certificate that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
- 8. Certificate in Part-V

#### Copy to:

- 1. Principal Secretary, Tribal Development Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai
- 2. Secretary, Relief and Rehabilitation Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai
- 3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State Nagpur
- 4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State Nagpur
- 5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur
- 6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO (MAHA-CAMPA), Maharashtra State Nagpur
- 7. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur
- 8. Chief Conservator of Forest & Field Director, Sahyadri Tiger Reserve, Kolhapur.
- 9. Collector, Sangli
- 10. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli
- 11. Select file F-10