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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 1.75 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 1 of Rampura Karuvinahatti village, Karuvinahatti Kaval Reserved Forest of Kanakapura Range, Ramanagara Division for establishing 765 KV S/C Transmission Line from Dharmapuri (Salem) -Madhugiri (Tumkur) covering the States of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka in favour of the Chief Manager, Power Grid NM Transmission Ltd, Singanayakanahalli, Bangalore.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE 45 FGL 2018 dated 30/04/2018, 4/08/2018 and 13/08/2018 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 29th August, 2018. The State Government vide letter No.FEE 45 FGL 2018 dated 10/06/2019 has reported compliance 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 renewal of diversion of 1.75 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 1 of Rampura Karuvinahatti village, Karuvinahatti Kaval Reserved Forest of Kanakapura Range, Ramanagara Division for establishing 765 KV S/C Transmission Line from Dharmapuri (Salem) -Madhugiri (Tumkur) covering the States of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka in favour of the Chief Manager, Power Grid NM Transmission Ltd, Singanayakanahalli, Bangalore, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The demarcation of the proposed forest area 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 compensatory afforestation shall be raised over 3.5 ha. of degraded non-forest land in Sy.No. 76 of Bairashattihalli village, Narikallugudda Reserve Forests, Channapattana Range, Ramanagara District at the cost of User Agency. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of compensatory afforestation, if any.
4. 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 Adhoc CAMPA Account.

5. Plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in the right of way under the transmission line shall be taken up at the cost of User Agency.
6. Guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letter No. 7-25/2012 –FC dated 5/5/2014 for laying of transmission lines through forest areas shall be strictly followed.
7. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
8. The forest area shall be used for the purpose for which it is granted. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 1.75 ha.
9. The approval is valid for a period of 20 years.
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. 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.
12. 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 dated 29/01/2018.
13. 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.

Yours faithfully,

(M.K.Shambhu)
Deputy Inspector General 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. The Chief Manager, M/s. Power Grid NM Transmission Limited, SRTS-II, RHQ, Singanayakanahalli, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore -560 064, Karnataka.
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