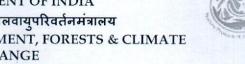


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F.No.4-TSC154/2019-CHN/042 Date of December, 2020

To,

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

Subject:

Diversion of 31.7924 ha of forest land in Mahadevpur division (13.3642 Ha including 5.1808 Ha re-diversion area) and Bhupalpally division (18.4282 ha) for Widening & Strengthening of existing road to two lane with paved shoulders from Km 25/0 to 59/2 of Mahadevpur to Bhupalapally of NH-353C (Old NH-363) in the state of Telangana under EPC in favour of Chief Engineer -Regional Officer, Gol,

MoRTH, Hyderabad - Regarding.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letterNos.1503/For.I(1)/2019 dated 06.05.2019 and the PCCF, Telangana letter No 19783/2018/FCA-2, dated 23.11.2020 and online proposal No.FP/TG/ROAD/39631/2019seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government and as recommended by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC), I am to convey the Central Government's in principle approval (Stage-I) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of 31.7924 ha of forest land in Mahadevpur division (13.3642 Ha including 5.1808 Ha re-diversion area) and Bhupalpally division (18.4282 ha) for Widening & Strengthening of existing road to two lane with paved shoulders from Km 25/0 to 59/2 of Mahadevpur to Bhupalapally of NH-353C (Old NH-363) in the State of Telangana under EPC in favour of Chief Engineer -Regional Officer, GoI, MoRTH, Hyderabad, subject to the following conditions:-

- Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged; (i)
- (ii) Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of the User Agency;
- The State Forest Department shall carry out compensatory afforestation (iii) over an extent of 60.00 ha in Compt No 157 (231/1) of Beat Damerakunta, Section Damerakunta, Range Kataram of Jayashanker Bhupalpally District at the cost of the User Agency; As far as possible, a mixture of local



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- indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
- (iv) Degraded forest land identified for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (v) The State Forest Department shall carry out Penal Compensatory Afforestation over identified degraded forest area over an extent of 24.5 ha in Compt No 157 of Damerakunta Beat & Section of Mahadevpur Range as proposed. Details of PCA i.e. map (with DGPS) Co-ordinates shall be furnished along with the compliance report;
- (vi) The State Forest Department shall certify that no plantation / afforestation activities was taken up under any scheme, over the degraded forest area identified and accepted for raising penal compensatory afforestation (PCA);
- (vii) The State Government shall not issue working permission before final (Stage II) approval;
- (viii) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 31.7924ha 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;
- (ix) 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 the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (x) The State Government shall realize penalty of 3 times the NPV plus 12 percent simple interest till the deposit made as per the provisions made in hand book 1.21 (ii) (a) (b);
- (xi) The State Government shall take necessary action as per the provisions made in hand book 1.21 (ii) (c) (d) and report the same along with compliance report;
- (xii) All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/);
- (xiii) The User Agency shall endeavor to avoid felling of trees existing on the forest land proposed to be utilized to the extent possible. Wherever necessary, felling shall be carried out under the strict supervision of the DFO/FDO concerned;

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- (xiv) Wherever feasible the State Forest Department shall carry out translocation of trees instead of resorting to felling, at the cost of the User Agency;
- (xv) Sufficient number of under passages shall be constructed at the project cost in consultation with forest department for easy movement of wild animals;
- (xvi) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- (xvii) Construction of culverts/bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals;
- (xviii) Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;
- (xix) The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;
- (xx) The User Agency shall arrange to raise strip plantation on either side of the road and also on the central verge at the project cost and maintain the same for 7-10 years;
- (xxi) There shall be speed breaker on the road wherever necessary which shall be decided in consultation with the DFOs concerned keeping in view of Wildlife crossings and signage boards shall be erected at frequent intervals at the project cost;
- (xxii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xxiii) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land. Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- (xxiv) The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;
- (xxv) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 31.7924 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those

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- shown in the diversion proposal. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (xxvi) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xxvii) The 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;
- (xxviii) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency;
- (xxix) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the Ministry guidelines.

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 5 years.

Yours faithfully,

(R.Hemanth Kumar) Regional Officer (Central)

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- 3. Guard file.

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