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To,

Dated: 02nd Aug, 2022

✓ Additional Chief Secretary (Forests),
Government of Chhattisgarh,
Forest Department, Mantralaya,
Mahanadi Bhavan, Nava Raipur, Atal Nagar (CG).

Sub: Diversion of 47.552 ha. Forest Land for non forest purpose in favour of National Highway Division, proposed for the development of Economic Corridor to improve the efficiency of freight movement in India under Bharat Mata Pariyojna, Bilaspur - Uрга Section of NH-130 A (Raipur-Dhanbad Economic Corridor which shall start at Junction with NH-130 & NH-130 A), under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, in Bilaspur Division in the state of Chhattisgarh-regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no. 5-30/2020/10-2 dated 18.01.2021 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section - 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that after careful examination of the proposal, 'In-principle' of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 was accorded by the Central Government vide letter of even number dated 15.02.2021 subject to fulfilment of certain conditions prescribed therein.

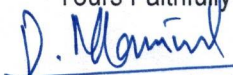
In this connection, I am directed to inform that on the basis of compliance report submitted the Government of Chhattisgarh letter no. 5-30/2020/10-2 dated 29.06.2022 and the Addl. PCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh, vide his letter no. Bhu-Prabandh/Misc/115-804/1240 dated 03.06.2022, "**Final approval**" of the Central Government under Section -2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is hereby granted for diversion of 47.552 ha. Forest Land for non forest purpose in favour of National Highway Division, proposed for the development of Economic Corridor to improve the efficiency of freight movement in India under Bharat Mata Pariyojna, Bilaspur - Uрга Section of NH-130 A (Raipur-Dhanbad Economic Corridor which shall start at Junction with NH-130 & NH-130 A), under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, in Bilaspur Division in the state of Chhattisgarh subject to the fulfilment of the following conditions:

- ii. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;
- iii. **Compensatory afforestation**
 - a. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 95.205 ha. Degraded Forest Land of Comp. No. 2355 at Village - Kodhgar, Range- Pendra, Division- Marwahi, Chhattisgarh at the cost of the User Agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species along with 10% RET species of Marwahi District shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.

- xvii. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less;
- xviii. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;
- xix. 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;
- xx. 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;
- xxi. 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;
- xxii. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);

This issues with the approval of the DDGF/RO (Central), MoEF&CC, IRO, Raipur.

Yours Faithfully



Dr. D. Manjunatha, IFS 2/8/2022

Deputy Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Chhattisgarh, Aranya Bhawan, Sector-19, Nava Raipur, C.G.
2. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh, Nawa Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
3. The Director, ROHQ, MoEF&CC, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road, New Delhi
4. User agency.
5. Guard file.



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