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F.No. 4-TSB182/2021-HYD/603

Date 27 July 2022

To,

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

Subject: Re-diversion of 1.0003 Ha (laying of UG electric cable) & diversion of 0.010 ha (Construction of Tower) totalling to 1.0103 ha of forest land in Shamshabad division for laying of 220KV XLPE UG cable for LILO of 220 KV Gachibowli to Erragadda and Miyapur to the Raidurg SS and construction of CTT tower in Botanical Garden Parking area in favour of EE, 400 KV/Const-I, Metro Circle, TS TRANSCO.

Madam,

Please refer to the State Government letter Nos. 1654/For.I(1)/2021 dated 13.05.2021, 23.09.2021 and 02.03.2022 and online proposal No. FP/TG/TRANS/42842/2019 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 dated 26.10.2021. The State Government vide letter No. 1654/For.I(1)/2021 dated 02.03.2022 have reported compliance to the conditions stipulated in the *in-principle* approval.

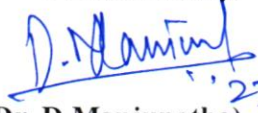
After careful consideration of the compliance report submitted by the State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's final approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for re-diversion of 1.0003 Ha (for laying of UG electric cable) and 0.010 ha (for construction of Tower) totalling 1.0103 ha of forest land in Shamshabad division for laying of 220KV XLPE UG cable for LILO of 220 KV Gachibowli to Erragadda and Miyapur to the Raidurg SS and construction of CTT tower in Botanical Garden Parking area in favour of EE, 400 KV/Const-I, Metro Circle, TS TRANSCO, subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. State Forest Department shall carry out demarcation of the diverted forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters from the amount which has already been realized from the User Agency and **report compliance within a month from the date of issue of this letter.**
3. **State Government shall submit undertaking to comply with conditions applicable to the State Government such as "no change in the CA area and CA scheme**

without prior approval of the central government" stipulated in the *in-principle approval* given in the instant proposal.

4. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 2.003 ha non-forest / degraded forest land (Compartment No.199, Malkaram RF, Gaganpahad Beat, Shamshabad Range) at the cost of the user agency. A mixture of local indigenous forestry species shall be planted, and monoculture of any species may be avoided. Compliance be reported.
5. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
6. **The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter no. 7-25/2012-FC dated 05/05/2014 & 19/11/2014.**
7. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
8. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
9. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
10. 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.
11. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
12. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance of all the Court orders, provisions, rules, regulations, and guidelines for the time being in force as applicable to the project.
13. 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.
14. 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.
15. 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.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. D. Manjunatha) 27/07/2022

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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