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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: Renewal of diversion of 2.0 ha. of forest land in Sirsi Village F.Sy. No. 232, Uttara Kannada District (Sirsi Forest Division) for existing hand made paper Manufacturing Small Scale Industry in favour of M/s Sahyadri Papers, near Industrial Estate Banavasi Road, Sirsi, Uttara Kannada District -reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letters No.FEE 46 FLL 2020 (e) dated 07/10/2020 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 12th November, 2020. The State Government vide letter No.FEE 46 FLL 2020 (e) dated 28/07/2022 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 final approval **(Stage-II)** under Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 2.00 ha. of forest land in Sirsi Village F.Sy. No. 232, Uttara Kannada District (Sirsi Forest Division) for existing hand made paper Manufacturing Small Scale Industry in favour of M/s Sahyadri Papers, near Industrial Estate Banavasi Road, Sirsi, Uttara Kannada District, for a period of 25 years with effect from 22/06/2020, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the forest land to be diverted shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. The condition required to be adhered under Forest Rights Act, 2006 shall be strictly complied with.
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

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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. The KML file of the area diverted and Compensatory Afforestation raised in F.Sy.No. 26 of Gopinathapura village, in Sirsi Range shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details before issue of final approval by the State Government.
6. No tree felling shall be undertaken in the diverted area and green cover area shall be maintained as per pollution control norms
7. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
8. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas
9. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
10. The forest area shall be used for the purpose for which it is granted.
11. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 2.00 ha.
12. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
13. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
14. 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.
15. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.
16. 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,



(B.N. Anjan Kumar)


Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FC) /Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
3. Shri M.V. Joshi, Partner, M/s Sahyadri Papers, Banavasi Road, Sirsi- 581 401, Uttara Kannada District (Karnataka).
4. Guard file.



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Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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