

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

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To
The Spl. Chief Secretary to the Govt,
Environment, Forest, Science
and Technology Department,
Telangana, Secretariat,
Hyderabad.

Rc.No.4180/2016/FCA-1, Dated 08.08.2019

Sir,

Sub:- Forest (Conservation) Act - Diversion of forest land to an extent of **3.713 ha** in erstwhile Warangal (South) Division **and presently Mahabubabad forest division** under Mahabubabad District - for laying of Pipe Line in **Segment-17/1 (Nizam Cheruvu)** for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project - in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Warangal- In-principle (Stage.I) approval - Communicated - **Condition-wise compliance - Submitted** - Regarding.

- Ref:-**
1. Chief Engineer, TDWSP, RWS&S Dept., Hyderabad Lr.No. AEE1/ DEE-1/TDWSP/Forest/WGL/Nzm Seg.(17/1)/2016 dt.03.03.2016.
 2. PCCF, Rc.No.4180/2016/FCA-1/TS, dt.28-03-2016.
 3. CF, Warangal, Rc.No.1440/2016/TO, dt.05-11-2016.
 4. PCCF's Ref.No.4180/2016/FCA-1 dated 21.11.2016.
 5. Govt Letter No.5189/For.I(1)/2016-1, dated 05.01.2017.
 6. From GoI, MoEF&CC, Regional Office (South Eastern Zone), Chennai F.No.4-TSB058/2017-CHN/0258 dated 17.02.2017.
 7. PCCF's Ref.No.4180/2016/FCA-1 dated 13.03.2017.
 8. CF, Kothagudem, Rc.No.139/2019/M3, dated 11.06.2019.

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Kind attention is invited to the references cited.

It is submitted that the Government of India vide reference 6th cited has conveyed Central Government **in-principle (Stage.I) approval** under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of forest land to an extent of **3.713 ha** in erstwhile Warangal (South) Division **and presently Mahabubabad forest division** under Mahabubabad District, for laying of Pipe Line in **Segment-17/1 (Nizam Cheruvu)** for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Warangal. The above orders have been communicated to all the concerned officers with instructions to submit condition-wise compliance report in the matter, vide reference 7th cited.

Accordingly, the District Forest Officer, Mahabubabad/ Forest Divisional Officer, Mahabubabad has obtained compliance of conditions from the User Agency and submitted the condition-wise compliance report together with its enclosures through Conservator of Forests, Kothagudem, which is received in this office through reference 8th cited. A copy of reference 8th cited together with its enclosures **in triplicate** is enclosed herewith.

The condition-wise compliance report is reproduced with remarks as follows:

C.NO.	Description of the Condition	Compliance of Condition
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(i)	The legal status of diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	The User Agency has submitted an Undertaking that the legal status of the forest land remain unchanged, which is enclosed herewith.

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(ii)	The 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 mts. At the cost of User Agency.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.8,08,000/- + Rs.19,33,600/- towards cost construction of 4 feet height big cement concrete pillars 101 Nos. and 6"x6"x4' small cement concrete pillars 2417 Nos. and respectively and Rs.16,50,000/- towards extraction of tree growth charges and Rs.2,05,900 towards others totaling to Rs.45,97,500/- with UTR No. IDIBR52018021515740525, dated 15.02.2018, into the account of FDO, Mahabubabad. A copy of the payment is enclosed.
(iii)	The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 3.713 ha out of the 187.677 ha of non-forest land identified in Sy.No.169 of Peddamunagala and in Sy.No.139 & 147 of Thimmapuram in Chandampet Mandal of Nalgonda District at the cost of User Agency.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.54,18,000/- towards CA (part of Rs.77,42,338/-) into the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA account of TS, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi with UTR No. IDIBH18037185155 Dt:06-02-2018, against the project FP/TG/WATER/17178/2015. A copy of the payment is enclosed. Same is reflected online at Ministry's portal and copy enclosed.
(iv)	The State Government has proposed 3.713 ha of non forest land for Compensatory Afforestation under the subject proposal as part of 187.677 ha of non forest land identified for entire TDWSP projects (Mission Bhageeratha Project). The CA land identified to the extent of 187.677 ha for the Mission Bageeratha project at WLM Division, Nagarjunasagar shall be apportioned project wise including the CA area identified for the present proposal and all the relevant details like DGPS coordinates, amp, CA Scheme, soil suitability certificate etc., shall be uploaded in the Ministry's online portal against the subject proposal.	Out of 187.677 ha identified in 3 survey numbers i.e., Peddamunagala (Sy.No.169), Thimmapuram (Sy.No.139 & 147)] in Chandampet Mandal of Nalgonda District for CA, under jurisdiction of the FDO, WLM Division, Nagarjunasagar, the non-forest land to an extent of 3.713 ha is demarcated with DGPS coordinates. The co-ordinates, map, CA scheme and soil suitability certificate etc is uploaded in the Ministry's web portal against the subject proposal.
(v)	Identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted under taking the identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
(vi)	Non-forest land identified for raising compensatory afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before issue of the Stage-II clearance;	The non-forest land identified for raising compensatory Afforestation has been transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Dept. (Copies enclosed).

(vii)	Non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation, shall be declared as Reserve Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act. The Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of 6 months from the date of grant of final approval and send a copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the local Forest Act as the case may be, to this office for information and record;	The non-forest CA land transferred & mutated in favour of State Forest Department will be declared as PF/ RF under Telangana Forest Act, 1967 within a period of six months upon receipt of Stage II approval.
(viii)	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 3.713 ha from 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.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.23,24,338/- towards NPV (part of amount of Rs.77,42,338/-) into the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA account of TS, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi with UTR No. IDIBH18037185155 dated 06.02.2018, against the project FP/TG/WATER/ 17178/2015. A copy of the payment is enclosed. Same is reflected online at Ministry's portal and copy enclosed.
(ix)	Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest and 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.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking to pay 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, which is enclosed herewith.
(x)	The funds received from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value under this project shall be deposited in the respective bank account of the Telangana State CAMPA. <u>The User Agency shall compulsorily deposit the CA and other levies only by generating challan through the Ministry's website.</u>	The User agency has generated a challan through the Ministry's website for an amount of Rs.54,18,000/- towards CA and towards NPV Rs.77,42,338/- (out of total amount of Rs.23,24,338/- deposited) under this project including levies for the forest conservation etc and deposited the same into the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA account of TS,CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi with UTR No. IDIBH18037185155 Dt:06-02-2018, against the project FP/TG/WATER/ 17178/2015. A Copy of the payment is enclosed.
(xi)	Trees standing in the diverted area shall be felled strictly as per requirement with prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking for compliance of condition, which is enclosed herewith.. User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.16,50,000/- towards extraction of tree growth and details furnished at c.no.(ii).

(xii)	The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites; and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas, which is enclosed herewith..
(xiii)	The State Forest Department shall translocate the trees, wherever feasible instead of felling at the cost of user agency.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking to translocate the trees, wherever feasible instead of felling at the cost of user agency.
(xiv)	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or subleased to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that the Forest land proposed for diversion will under no circumstance be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the central Government.
(xv)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that the Layout plan of the proposal will not be changed without prior approval of the central Government, which is enclosed herewith.
(xvi)	Details of list of trees enumerated in the table designated for the same in part II of the online FC application may be uploaded and confirmation in this regard shall be reported along with the compliance report.	Uploaded online
(xvii)	Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work Dornakal not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that Minimal disturbance will be ensured; and as for as possible labour camps will be created outside the forest area. Further, the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work will not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna, which is enclosed herewith.
(xviii)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.713 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that total forest area utilized for the project will not be exceed 3.713 ha and the forest area diverted will not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal, which is enclosed herewith.
(xix)	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.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted under taking to ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project, which is enclosed herewith.

(xx)	Any other condition that the Central Government or Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) of Regional Office, Chennai 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.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that any other conditions that the Central Government or Addl. PCCF (Central) of Regional Office, Chennai 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, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxi)	The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation as mentioned by the District Forest Officer, Warangal in Sl.No.12(v)(b) of part II i.e., 4.916 ha non forest land shall be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in the web portal.	The progress of the Compensatory Afforestation will be monitored by the concerned field officers and copy of the monitoring report will be forwarded to the Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Chennai through Nodal Officer for FCA, from time to time besides uploading of the same in web portal, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxii)	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai, which is enclosed herewith.

Further, the stage-I clearance has been published by the User Agency in English and Telugu daily newspapers.

The Government are requested to forward the condition-wise compliance report to the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Regional Office (South Eastern Zone), Chennai and obtain final (Stage-II) approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and communicate the orders in the matter, at an early date.

Yours faithfully

Sd/- R. Sobha,

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force) (FAC)

Encl: (As above)

Copy to the Conservator of Forests, Kothagudem, District Forest Officer, Mahabubabad and Forest Divisional Officer, Mahabubabad.

Copy to the CF/Field Director, Amrabad Tiger Reserve, Achampet, District Forest Officer, Nalgonda and Forest Divisional Officer, WLM Nagarjuna Sagar for information and necessary action on compliance of condition No.(vii).

Copy to the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, SRTGN Bhavan, Errum Manzil Colony, Hyderabad.

Copy to the Chief Engineer, Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project (RWS&S), Hyderabad.

Copy to the Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Warangal.

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