GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sec. II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.187/Section.II/2022/(1630423)

Dated:23.03.2022

From
The Special Chief Secretary to Government
EFS&T Department,
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,
Amaravati-522503.

To
The Inspector General of Forests (Central)
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada,
Green House Complex, Gopal Reddy Road,
Vijayawada-520010 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 9.60 ha of forest land in Compartment No.154, 155 of E.D. Pally and Compartment No. 110, 111 of Pegha RF in Chintur Division for formation of road from Yedugurralapalli to Mallampeta in favour of Executive Engineer, PR (PIU), Kakinada - Proposal submitted under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Reg.

Ref: From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Lr. Ref.No.EFS02-15034/67/2020-FCA-SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, Dated.22.01.2022.

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter cited along with statutory proforma proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh for diversion of 9.60 ha of forest land in Compartment No.154, 155 of E.D. Pally and Compartment No.110, 111 of Pegha RF in Chintur Division for formation of road from Yedugurralapalli to Mallampeta in favour of Executive Engineer, PR (PIU), Kakinada.

I am to inform that the User Agency i.e. Executive Engineer, PR (PIU), Kakinada, has furnished justification stating that the villagers of yedugurallapally (790), Pega (434), Alligudem (823), Narasingapeta (435), Mallampetaa(161) reach the mandal head quarters Chinturu with shortest path by providing this road. The existing road passes through RF area for a length of 12800 m. This is the only the shortest route for the people of Five habitations. The buses and commercial vehicles are not plying on this road due to improper geometry and various problems. The villagers are facing many difficulties to meet their needs of education, health and transportation of agriculture and forest produces etc. Hence the road is proposed to upgrade the existing to BT surface, so as to make the road traffic worthy. The requirement of forest land is un-avoidable and barest minimum for the project. The User Agency has identified non-forest land over an extent of 9.77 ha in Turangi Village of Kakinada Rural mandal of Kakinada Section, East Godavari District for CA purpose. The District Forest Officer, Kakinada has prepared CA scheme to an extent of 9.77 ha for raising Compensatory Afforestation with a financial outlay of Rs.67.078 lakh for a period of 12 years including Advance operations, maintenance of nurseries and raising of plantations commencing from 2022-23 to 2033-34. The User Agency has furnished undertakings for payment of CA, NPV, Addl. NPV, tree extraction charges and also for avenue plantations etc. The District Collector, East Godavari District has issued necessary certificates under Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The proposal has been uploaded in the Ministry's website and unique file No. FP/AP/ROAD/83794/2020 has been generated for this proposal. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, the Conservator of Forests and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, have recommended the proforma proposal in Part-II, III and IV respectively. The recommendation of the State Government in proforma proposal in Part-V is enclosed herewith.

3. I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 9.60 ha of forest land in Compartment No.154, 155 of E.D. Pally and Compartment No.110, 111 of Pegha RF in Chintur Division for formation of road from Yedugurralapalli to Mallampeta in favour of Executive Engineer, PR (PIU), Kakinada, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

N-Jagadeeswaru for Special Chief Secretary to Government

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

The Executive Engineer, PR (PIU), Kakinada.

PART-V

(To be filled in by the Secretary in charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

Recommendation of the State Government:-18.

(Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-B or Part-C or Part-D above should be specifically commented upon)

(Letter No.187/Section.II/2022, Dated.23.03.2022 for diversion of 9.60 ha of forest land in Compartment No.154, 155 of E.D. Pally and Compartment No.110, 111 of Pegha RF in Chintur Division for formation of road from Yedugurralapalli to Mallampeta in favour of Executive Engineer, PR (PIU), Kakinada)

"Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 9.60 ha of forest land in Compartment No.154, 155 of E.D. Pally and Compartment No. 110, 111 of Pegha RF in Chintur Division for formation of road from Yedugurralapalli to Mallampeta in favour of Executive Engineer, PR (PIU), Kakinada."

Signature

Name & Designation (Official Seal)

Date: <u>24-03-2022</u>
Place: <u>AMARAVAT</u>i

Dr. P.V. CHALAPATHI RAO, I.F.S., Special Secretary to Government Environment, Forests, Science and Technology Department A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi - 522238.