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To,

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

Subject: Diversion of 4.772 ha (revised from 4.3999 ha)(Chennur Division 2.752 ha revised from 2.4396 ha & Mancheria Division-2.020 ha revised from 1.9604 ha) of forest land in Mancheria District for widening and strengthening from km 180/6 Km 223/0 of Nizamabad to Jagadapur Section of NH-63 (old NH-16) with two lane paved shoulder in Chennur RF in favour of Chief Engineer-Regional Officer, Government of India, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Hyderabad- reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos. 1746/For.I(1)/2021 dated 07.06.2021 and online proposal No. FP/TG/ROAD/44018/2020 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am to convey the Central Government's in principle approval (**Stage-I**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 4.772 ha (revised from 4.3999 ha) (Chennur Division 2.752 ha revised from 2.4396 ha & Mancheria Division-2.020 ha revised from 1.9604 ha) of forest land in Mancheria District for widening and strengthening from km 180/6 Km 223/0 of Nizamabad to Jagadapur Section of NH-63 (old NH-16) with two lane paved shoulder in Chennur RF in favour of Chief Engineer-Regional Officer, Government of India, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Hyderabad, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) 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 meters at the cost of the User Agency;
- (iii) The State Forest Department shall carry out compensatory afforestation in the identified degraded forest area over an extent of **5.50 ha** in compt No 251 of Chintapalli Beat, Chennur Section & Range and over an extent of

4.05 ha in Compt No 312 of Bheemaram Beat and Section of Mancherial Range

- (iv) Degraded forest land identified for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (v) The PCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA) of the State of Telangana shall instruct all the field level officers to implement the CA scheme in its entirety as per the proposal and no CA amount should be left unspent;
- (vi) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 4.772 ha from the 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;
- (vii) 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, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (viii) All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);
- (ix) Required number of Animal Passages with suitable heights as per the MoEF and WII guidelines shall be constructed at the cost of the User Agency;
- (x) **The UA shall construct the bridge with span of 21.00 m between the 3 vents and height of 7.00 m from the ground/ stream surface level as it is a Tiger landscape;**
- (xi) Chain link fence on both the sides of the bridge all along the forest length adjoining the road on both the sides of underpass to a length of 1.0 Km towards Bridge to Mancherial and 0.5 Km from bridge to Chennur shall be constructed at the cost of the User Agency;
- (xii) Barriers all along the proposed bridge shall be placed on either side on the top to control throwing of garbage into the forests;
- (xiii) The user agency shall camoufluge the underpass with local species;
- (xiv) The user agency shall clear all the debris at the underpass and surrounding area frequently;
- (xv) Animal crossing and speed limit signs shall be erected;

- (xvi) Kindling of any fire in forest shall not be allowed and work of upgradation shall be done between **7.00 AM to 4.00 PM only**;
- (xvii) The wildlife mitigation plan proposed for protection and habitat measures for Tiger and other wildlife shall be implemented by the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency;
- (xviii) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- (xix) Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals;
- (xx) Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;
- (xxi) The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;
- (xxii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xxiii) Wherever feasible, translocation of trees shall be carried out by the forest department at the cost of the User Agency;
- (xxiv) The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;
- (xxv) Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- (xxvi) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **4.772 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (xxvii) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xxviii) The 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;

- (xxix) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad 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;
- (xxx) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions under 1.21 of Ministry's hand book.
- (xxxi) The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 5 years.

Yours faithfully,

(R.Hemanth Kumar)
Regional Officer (Central)

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