

Government of West Bengal
Department of Forests
For Branch
Aranya Bhavan (7th Floor), Block-LA-10A, Sector-III, Salt Lake City
Kolkata-700 098

No. 979-For/O/L/10T-05/2019

Kolkata, the 8th September 2020

MEMORANDUM

Sub: Diversion of 0.03339 ha of Forest land in favour of BDO, Rajganj, Jalpaiguri District for establishment of Skill upgradation Centre under KARMATIRTHA under Baikunthapur Forest Division.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the proposal noted above received from the office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF).

After careful consideration of the said proposal, recommended and forwarded by Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980, the undersigned is directed by order of the Governor to say that the Governor is pleased to accord Stage-II/final approval as per proviso laid down in chapter 4 of Part B of guideline mentioned in F. No.5-2/2017-FC, dt.28/3/2019 issued by Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change(FC Division) , Government of India & in pursuance of Sec 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.03339 ha of Forest land in favour of of BDO, Rajganj, Jalpaiguri District for establishment of Skill upgradation Centre under KARMATIRTHA under Baikunthapur Forest Division subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the land shall remain unchanged.
2. The Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation) shall submit monthly report to the Eastern Regional Office by 5th of every month regularly-failing which, the grant of such permission may be suspended by the Central Government for a specified period or till the information is submitted.
3. The User Agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora/fauna in the surroundings, and, therefore, shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.
4. Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 0.06678 ha of degraded forest land identified at Beat-Adabari, Range-Sarugarah, Mouzas-Janglemahal, Compartment-Debgram-5, Dist.-Jalpaiguri.
5. The User Agency shall plant and maintain ten times the number of trees felled on the diverted land to maintain the green cover at the project cost. Planting site for the purpose will be identified by the State Forest Deptt.
6. Permission granted by this department shall be subject to the monitoring by the Eastern Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Govt. of India.
7. Forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal. Any change in the land use without prior permission of the Central/State Govt. shall amount to the violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
8. State Forest Department or the Eastern Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment & Forest, Govt. of India may impose, from time to time, any other condition in the interest of conservation, protection and/or development of Forest.
9. No construction work should be initiated before compliance of the conditions laid down hereinabove.

Violation of any of these conditions will be amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 and action would be taken as per Para 1.21 (iii) of Chapter-1 of Handbook of Guidelines issued under F.C. Act,1980 vide Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India letter No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.


8/9/2020

Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal

S.Roy

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF)
2. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Baikunthapur Forest Division.
4. The Conservator of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment & Forests, Govt. of India, Eastern Regional Office, A/3, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751 023, Orissa.
5. The BDO, Rajganj, Office of the Block Development Officer, Rajganj, Jalpaiguri-735 134.

Assistant Secretary