

### Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forests Force), Maharashtra State

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Sub:- Proposal for diversion of 0.0135 ha. forest land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground water pipeline for agricultural purposes in favour of Shri. Madhukar Kashinath Shinde for reserved forest land Compt.No.879, Gut No.195A at Village Gharewadi (Hastanpur), Tal. Dahiwadi, Dist. Satara in the State of Maharashtra.

No.:- Desk-17/Nodal/Kolhapur/ID-12898/(28)/ 1100 /2022-23 Nagpur- 440 001, Dated 01 08/2022

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Revenue & Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai- 32

Sir.

The proposal is for diversion of 0.0135 ha. forest land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground water pipeline for agricultural purposes in favour of Shri. Madhukar Kashinath Shinde for reserved forest land Compt.No.879, Gut No.195A at Village Gharewadi (Hastanpur), Tal. Dahiwadi, Dist. Satara in the State of Maharashtra. The details of the forest land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Item work purpose	Name of Village	Taluka	District	Compt. No.	Gut No.	L. x W. (in Mt.)	Area (In ha.)	Legal Status
For laying of underground water pipeline for agricultural purpose.	Gharewadi (Hastanpur)		Satara	879	195A	135 x 1	0.0135	RF

2.00 The proposal has been initiated by Shri. Madhukar Kashinath Shinde for seeking approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground water pipeline for agricultural purposes for reserved forest land Compt.No.879, Gut No.195A at Village Gharewadi (Hastanpur), Tal. Dahiwadi, Dist. Satara in the State of Maharashtra. The User Agency has certified that the project's main objective is to enhance water availability to their farm. For farming in all seasons as their farm is in Drought Prone Area they badly in need of proposed underground pipeline. Without farming their basic needs cannot be fulfilled. Non-forest land required for this project is 0.177 ha. The site inspection report of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara is enclosed on pages no.25 to 28.

- **3.00** Following documents as prescribed in Government Circular, Revenue and Forest Department No.FLD-1081/2041/(A)/F-3, dated 20/03/1982 and according to Government of India's instructions issued from time to time are enclosed in one copies.
- 3.1 Prescribed form dated 10/01/2003
- 3.2 Certificate regarding minimum demand of forest land for the project
- 3.3 Area Statement
- 3.4 Index map in suitable scale

# 4.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara has certified that:-

- 4.1 No suitable alternate non-forest land is available and the forest land required is barest minimum. (PPN-34 & 35)
- 4.2 The area belongs to Open Forest Eco-value class-III Category and having density of forest is below 0.4. (PPN-49)
- 4.3 There is no cutting & felling of trees involved in the implementation of the Project. (PPN-52)
- 4.4 The area involved in the project is beyond 10 kms from the boundary of protected are i.e. away 81.45 km from Koyana Wildlife Sanctuary. (PPN-53)
- 4.5 Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance. (PPN-44)
- 4.6 The proposed project has not been started in the forest as well as non-forest land and no violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 or its guidelines has been committed. (PPN-39)
- 4.7 Proposed Compensatory Afforestation over 1.00 ha degraded Forest land in Compt. No. 879 Gut No.304a at Village Rajawadi, Tal. Dahiwadi, Dist. Satara and it is also contiguous, suitable for afforestation and management purpose and it is free from encroachment and an encumbrances. (PPN-23)
- 4.8 Details of the alternative examined by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara for the project is as under:- (PPN-59)

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The above alternatives have been examined by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara and came to the conclusion that alternative No.1 is the most suitable.

### 5.00 The User Agency has submitted undertaking/certificate/document:-

- 5.1 Agreed to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation. (PPN-37)
- 5.2 Agreed to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed under diversion. (PPN-47)
- 5.3 The User Agency has applied for compliance under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 and the same shall be submitted before Stage-2 clearance. (PPN-81)
- 6.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara and the Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Kolhapur have recommended the proposed for diversion. (PPN-3 to 6)
- 7.00 The KML file C.D for the proposed pipeline, C.A. area and 3 alternatives is enclosed and placed in the file at the top

# 8.00 In view of this, the proposal is recommended for approval under the section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to the following conditions:-

- 8.1 The legal status of the forest land required will remain unchanged.
- 8.2 Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 1.00 ha degraded Forest land in Compt. No. 879, Gut No.304a at Village Rajawadi, Tal. Dahiwadi, Dist. Satara at the cost of the User Agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
- 8.3 The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars if required on the CA land shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provisions for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.
- 8.4 The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 0.0135 ha. forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the Government of India guidelines dated 06/01/2022, 19/01/2022 and 22/03/2022.
- 8.5 Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- 8.6 User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
- 8.7 All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal. (<a href="http://parivesh.nic.in/">http://parivesh.nic.in/</a>)

- 8.8 The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- 8.9 The pipeline shall be laid down 1.5 meter below the ground and after laying down of pipeline the ground will be leveled.
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- 8.12 The boundary of the diverted forestland shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- 8.13 No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- 8.14 The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Government of India.
- 8.15 Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC, Guideline F.No.11/42/2017-FC, dated 29/01/2018.
- 8.16 Any other condition that the Ministry of environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
- 8.17 The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<u>http://parivesh.nic.in/</u>).
- 9.00 It is therefore, requested that the Government of India may kindly be moved for approving the proposal for diversion of 0.0135 ha. forest land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground water pipeline for agricultural purposes in favour of Shri. Madhukar Kashinath Shinde for reserved forest land Compt.No.879, Gut No.195A at Village Gharewadi (Hastanpur), Tal. Dahiwadi, Dist. Satara in the State of Maharashtra.

Encl: (Proposal in two copies)

Yours sincerely,

(Naresh Zurmure)

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer

#### Copy forwarded for information to:-

- 1. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Kolhapur.
- 2. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara.
- 3. Shri. Madhukar Kashinath Shinde, Gharewadi (Hastanpur), Taluka- Dahiwadi, District-Satara. (E-mail address: <a href="mailto:madhukarshinde2001@gmail.com">madhukarshinde2001@gmail.com</a>)

#### PART -IV

# (To be filled by the Nodal Officer or the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Head of Forest Force)

(Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks)

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(FP/MH/Others/33297/2018)

Specific Recommendation of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Maharashtra State with regards to acceptance or otherwise of the proposal supported by reasons.

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