

**PART -IV**

**Nodal Officer or 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)

Sub.:- General Manager, (Environment & Forests), CIDCO, Belapur, Navi Mumbai submitted the proposal for public utility infrastructure to the rehabilitation of Project Affected Persons (PAPs) of Navi Mumbai International Airport at Pushpaknagar of village Dapoli, Tal. Panvel Dist Raigad for which 22.549 ha of forest land required under Section - 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, has been proposed by User Agency. The details of the forest land proposed for diversion is as under :-

Village	Taluka	Dist.	Sur./Gut No.	Legal Status	Total Area in ha.	Remarks
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Total Area					22.5490	

*Specific recommendation of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) MS Nagpur is attached on page no. 16A.*

Date : 31/05/2018

Place : Nagpur

(G Sai Prakash)

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
& Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur

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**Rehabilitation of Project Affected Persons (PAPs) of Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA) at Pushpaknagar at village Dapoli, Tal Panvel Dist Raigad**

**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.**

- 1) The proposal is for public utility infrastructure to the rehabilitation of Project Affected Persons (PAPs) of Navi Mumbai International Airport at Pushpaknagar of village Dapoli, Tal. Panvel Dist Raigad. The detailed Forest area statement is shown as under-

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The project has been initiated by General Manager, (Environment & Forests), CIDCO, Belapur, Navi Mumbai. The total area of the Pushpaknagar project is 221.296 ha. The proposed forest land to be diverted for this project is 22.549 ha.

The Project Authority previously submitted a proposal for diversion of forest land for Rehabilitation of PAP's of Navi Mumbai International Airport, which was submitted to Government of India through proper channel. During the meeting of FAC held on 12/07/2016, it was denied in the present from as intimated vide Asst Inspector General of Forests, MOEF & CC letter No FC-II/MH-16/2015/NGP dated 08/08/2016.

Therefore the Project Authority re-plans the area excluding the rehabilitation of the people on the forest land. The public utility infrastructure is proposed on forest area i.e. Road, Garden/Play Ground, Social Infrastructure, Public Utility and Water Supply Project. This project involves 22.5490 ha forest land. The project is part of Navi Mumbai International Airport project, which is essential for infrastructure development and is of national interest. Project



Authority is ready to bear the all Government levies . Therefore the Project Authority has submitted the proposal for diversion of 22.5490 ha. forest land under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

Chief Conservator of Forests (T) Thane has submitted the proposal along with the following documents as prescribed in Government Circular, Revenue and Forest Department No.FLD-1081/2041/(A)/F-3, dated 20/03/1982 as well as per Government of India's instructions issued from time to time.

- 1) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that no suitable alternate non forest land is available other than proposed for project and demand for the required forest land is lowest minimum demand.
- 2) There are 406 trees of various species and girth class in the area proposed for diversion. Girth wise break up is as under-

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- 3) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag certified that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 or its guidelines in the present project.
- 4) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that the proposed project is within 10 Km of the boundaries of the protected area (Sanctuary & National Park) and not included in the Eco-Sensitive zone of the sanctuary.
- 5) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that proposed project is not likely to affect any monuments site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 6) The area involved does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary and Nature Reserve etc.
- 7) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha has certified that 12.500 ha. non forest land in Sur No. 21/2 at village Karivane, and 10.049 ha at Vill-Temghar, Tal-Roha, Distt-Raigad proposed for alternative Compensatory Afforestation is not included in the area as forest as identified by expert committee appointed under the judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dated 12/12/1996 and also not acquired under the provisions of Private Forest (Acquisition) Act 1975 by virtue of application of section 35 of the Indian Forest Act 1927 and is not recognized deemed reserved forest.
- 8) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha has certified that 12.500 ha. non forest land in Sur No. 21/2 at village Karivane, and 10.049 ha at Vill-Temghar, Tal-Roha, Distt-Raigad proposed for alternative Compensatory Afforestation is contiguous, suitable for

- afforestation and management purpose and also it is free from encroachment and an encumbrances CA Scheme is submitted. P/75-7  
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- 9) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has submitted the Site Inspection Report on page No 40 to 43. P/40-6
  - 10) The User Agency has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed for diversion. P/27
  - 11) The User Agency has submitted the undertaking to bear the cost of clearance/removal of the vegetation growth from the proposed diversion area. P/29
  - 12) The User Agency has submitted the undertaking to bear the cost of old plantation falling in the proposed diversion area. P/30
  - 13) The User Agency has submitted the undertaking to bear the cost of expenditure incurred by the forest department on plantation coming under the proposed forest area. P/31
  - 14) The User Agency has proposed 22.549 ha non forest land (12.500 ha of Survey No 21/2 of Vill-Karivane and 10.049 ha of Survey No 57/1 at Vill-Temghar), Tal-Panvel, Distt-Raigad for Compensatory Afforestation. P/23
  - 15) The area belongs to eco-value class I and density of vegetation is 0.1. P/28
  - 16) The User Agency has certified that the diversion proposal is for raising public utilities for rehabilitation of PAPs of NMIA at Pushpknagar township project area with an area 22.549 ha is outside the Scheduled Tribe area. P/39
  - 17) The User Agency has submitted the Environment clearance, SIEAA letter dated 05/11/2015. P/93
  - 18) The User Agency has submitted the Compliance of FRA-2006 (District Collector Raigad Certificate dated 07/11/2015). P/100
  - 19) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has recommended the proposal on following conditions vide letter dated 31/03/2018 :- C/50
    - a) The area diverted will be used only for purpose mentioned in proposal
    - b) Cost of Compensatory afforestation to be borne by the Project Authority.
    - c) Net Present value to be borne by Project Authority.
    - d) The adjoining forest land along patch No 1,2,3 & 4 and two survey nos 124 and 128 land locked by project area, needs to be protected against encroachment by construction compound wall at the cost of project Authority.
    - e) Project Authority has to provide residential quarters and office space for Uran Range Office, at their own cost.
    - f) 10 fire blower machines and 10 grass cutter machines are required for fire protection purpose of surrounding forest area.
  - 20) Chief Conservator of Forests (T) Thane recommended the proposal. P/15

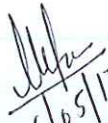


In view of this, the proposal is recommended as a special case for approval under section - 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to the following conditions-

- i. The legal status of the land required will remain unchanged.
- ii. Compensatory afforestation will be raised at the cost of the user Agency on 22.5490 ha non forest land made available by the user agency. (12.500 ha. non forest land in Sur No. 21/2 at village Karivane, and 10.049 ha at Vill-Temghar, Tal-Roha, Distt-Raigad)
- iii. The User Agency will defray the cost of Net Present Value of 22.5490 ha. of forest land as per latest guidelines of Government of India.
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- v. The forest land shall not be used for any purposes other than specified in the project.
- vi. The User Agency will abide by the provisions of Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) Notification of Government of India, if required.
- vii. Public utility infrastructure for the rehabilitation of project affected families shall be done by the User Agency as per the policy.
- viii. The User Agency will defray the cost of removal of 406 trees in the area. However, only the required and minimum number of trees will be felled. In situations where felling of trees is avoidable and such trees could be transplanted, all efforts to transplant such trees at a pre designated site will be taken and additional expenditure, if any, in such cases shall be at the cost of the User Agency.
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Rehabilitation of Project Affected Persons  
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at Pushpaknagar of village Dapoli, Tal.  
Panvel Dist Raigad

No. : Desk-17/NC/II/ID 12616/(63)/475/2018-19  
Nagpur – 440 001, Dated: 1/6/2018

To ,

The Secretary (Forests),  
Revenue and Forests Department,  
Mantralaya, Mumbai-32

Ref:- CCF (T) Thane letter No. Desk-10/FCA/CR-37/15-16/OW-11/18-19 dated  
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It is therefore requested that the Government of Maharashtra may kindly be moved to approve diversion of 22.549 ha. Forest Land in favour of General Manager, (Environment & Forests), CIDCO, Belapur, Navi Mumbai for Public Utility Infrastructure to the Rehabilitation of Project Affected Persons (PAPs) of Navi Mumbai International Airport at Pushpaknagar of village Dapoli, Tal. Panvel Dist Raigad. under section (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

Encls : As above

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