

Full title of the Project: Diversion of Forest Land for construction & strengthening of VR- 23

from MDR-22 to Parwadi, Tehsil Maval, District Pune of Maharashtra State

File No.: FP/ MH/ROAD/155799/2022
Date of Proposal: 25/05/2022

APPENDIX (SEE RULE 6)

FORM -'A'

FORM FOR SEEKING PRIOR APPROVAL UNDER SECTION 2 (ii) OF THE FOREST (CONSERVATION) ACT, 1980

THE PROPOSAL BY THE STATE GOVERNMENTS AND OTHER AUTHORITIES

PART-II

(TO BE FILLED BY THE CONCERNED DY. CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS)

State Serial No. of the Proposal:

7. Location of the Project/ Scheme:

(i)	State/ Union Territory:	Maharashtra		
(ii)	District:	Pune		
(iii)	Forest Division:	Pune		
(iv)	Area of Forest Land proposed for diversion (In Ha.):	0.297 Ha.		
(v)	Legal status of Forest:	Reserved Forest		
(vi)	Density of vegetation:	15c 4 4 1 6 0.01		
(vii) Species- wise (Scientific Names) and diameter class- wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation/ hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 m and FRL-4 m also to be enclosed):				
Fellin	a of trees is not required for the project.			

(viii) Brief note on vulnerability of the Forest area to erosion:

The road is already existing. The Forest Land proposed for diversion is not vulnerable to erosion on account of its location, topographical & geomorphological features and other climatic factors.

- (ix) Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest:

 The road VR- 23 is existing and passes through the Reserved Forest of Parwadi village.
- (x) Whether forms part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor, etc.? (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed):

No.

(xi) Whether any rare/ endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in the area? (If so, the details thereof):

No any conspicuous flora and fauna observed or reported so far.

(xii) Whether any protected archaeological/ heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area? (If so, details thereof with NOC from the Competent Authority, if required):

No any protected archaeological/ heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area proposed for diversion.

8. Whether the requirement of Forest Land as proposed by the User Agency in Col. No. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project? If no, recommended area item- wise with details of alternative examined:

Yes. The project involves strengthening of existing road. Hence, the project is site-specific. The requirement of Forest Land as proposed by the User Agency in Col. No. 2 of Part I of Form A, is, thus, unavoidable and barest minimum for the project.

9. Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out? (Yes/ No). If yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work done in violation is still in progress?:

No. Work has not been carried out by the Project Proponent in violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

10. Details of Compensatory Afforestation Scheme:

The project is categorized as State Government's Critical Public Utility & Welfare Project. The project involves Forest Land to the extent of 0.297 Ha., which is less than 1.00 Ha. No tree is required to be felled for the purpose of the extant project.

In view of the above fact, the Compensatory Afforestation subject to provision under Para 2.6 (1) (b) & (e) of the Handbook of FCA, 1980 & FCR, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarifications). Hence, no Compensatory Afforestation is to be insisted upon.

11. <u>Site Inspection Report of the Dy, CF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in Col. No. 7 (xi & xii), 8 & 9 above:</u>

The Site Inspection Report is annexed hereto with the proposal.

Division Profile:

(i)	Geographical area of the district:	15,616 Sq. m.
(ii)	Forest Area of the District:	84878 Ha.
(iii)	Total forest area diverted since 1980 with no, of cases:	664.08 Ha. / 72
(iv)	Total compensatory afforestation as on the date:	481.16 Ha.
	(a) Forest Land, including Penal CA:	76.29 Ha.
	(b) Non-forest land:	404.87 Ha.
(v)	Progress of Compensatory Afforestation as on the date:	481.16 Ha.
	(a) Forest Land:	76.29 Ha.
	(b) Non-forest land:	404.87 Ha.



13. Specific recommendations of the Dy.CF, for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons:

The VR 23 from MDR- 22 to Parawadi is already existing. However, a part of the road, traversing through Reserved Forest of Parawadi Village is in kaccha & damaged state. This part of the road becomes un- serviceable during rainy season. The road needs strengthening and the carriage way needs to be paved with cement concrete.

Since the proposal involves strengthening of the existing road, the project is "site specific". The project is categorized as "Critical Public Utility and Welfare Project". The proposal is, therefore, recommended for acceptance and approval by the Competent Authority.

Further, the project involves Forest Land to the extent of 0.297 Ha., which is less than 1.00 Ha. No tree is required to be felled for the purpose of the extant project. Therefore, in the extant proposal, Compensatory Afforestation is subjected to provision under Para 2.6 (1) (b) & (e) of the Handbook of FCA, 1980 & FCR, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarifications). Hence, Compensatory Afforestation may not be insisted upon.

Date: 03/08/2022 Place: Pune

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