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Letter

Subject: Diversion of 0.6732 ha. Mangrove Forest area for establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving Construction of Bridge on Taloja River and Construction of ROB on Diva-Panvel Railway line, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad, Maharashtra.

No.Desk-10/FCA/CR-15/22-23/OW- 25 /2022-23 Thane - 400603, Dated: 29 /07/2022

To,

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S. Nagpur.

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has submitted the proposal mentioned in the subject vide his letter No. A/20/Land/FCA/679, dated 08.07.2022. Xerox copy of the same is enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The Project Authority of this project is Executive Engineer (BPY & HQ), CIDCO, Kharghar Station Complex, Kharghar, Navi Mumbai - 410210.

2.00 The Project Authority has highlighted that the proposed connectivity will be between Sion-Panvel Expressway through Kharghar node and to Panchannd Pendhar and leading to Taloja Industrial Belt Dombivali, Ambernath & Badlapur areas. This connectivity will be more beneficial to 12.5% scheme of Panchannd Pendhar which is for settlement of Project affected people as per the Government Policy. This will be the basic infrastructure for the residents of local area and shifting of people who otherwise come from distance places.

The proposal is for diversion of 0.6732 ha. Forest (Mangroves) for establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving construction of Bridge on Taloja River and construction of Railway over Bridge on Diva-Panvel Railway line.

Therefore, the Project Authority is seeking Government of India's permission u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3.00 The Proposed Forest land required for this Project is 0.6732 ha. The details are as given below:-

Purpose wise break-up of the land

Sr. No.	Item of work / proposed	Village	S. No./ CTS No.	Area (Ha.)	Land Status	
1.	Construction of Bridge & Road	Pendhar	297	0.33477	Un-notified	
2.		Pendhar	88	0.0789	Mangrove Forest	
3.		Pendhar	Nalla	0.0039		
4.			244	0.0021		
5.		Taloje Tarfe Panchannd	245	0.00945		
6.			246	0.1619		
7.			247	0.0274		
8.			320	0.0549		
	Total 0.6732					

- 4.00 The Project Authority has given an undertaking to pay the cost of Net Present Value as directed by the Govt. of India. The Project Authority has submitted necessary Certificates / Undertakings and Maps, which are also enclosed in the proposal.
- 5.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that the proposed area for diversion of 0.6732 ha. of Forest are for establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving construction of Bridge on Taloja River and construction of Railway over Bridge on Diva-Panvel Railway line at Village Pendhar S.No.297, 88, Nalla, (Not notified Mangrove) and Village Taloja Tarfe Panchannd S.No.244, 245, 246, 247, 320 (Not notified Mangrove) Tal. Panvel in Raigad District State of Maharashtra is 7.2 Km. from Matheran Eco-Sensitive Zone and 7.0 Km. from Matheran Eco-Sensitive Buffer Zone, 17.3 Km. from Karnala Bird Sanctuary & is about 8.2 Km. from Eco-Sensitive Zone of Karnala Bird Sanctuary. This Project will not have any adverse effect on the wildlife within National Park / Sanctuary.
- 6.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests Alibag has certified that the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines under it have not been violated in the Project.
- 7.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests Alibag has certified that there is 232 number of trees cutting and felling in the project for diversion of 0.6732 ha. in the District of Raigad. Number of trees to be felled Girth wise are as under, break up and felling estimate enclosed in the proposal.

Below 30 cms	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	91-105	106-120	121-135	Above 136	Total
04	42	53	26	48	44	5	6	4	232

8.00 Regarding FRA-2006 certificate The Collector, Raigad has given letter stating that the Legal Status of the Proposed land does not appears to be the Forest, the Forest Right Act does not apply to the Proposed area, hence we cannot issue FRA Certificate. In this connection, User has been instructed to approach to The Collector, Raigad and get the issue resolved.

- 9.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has proposed area of 1.00 ha. degraded forest land of Reserved Forest (U/s.4 of Indian Forest Act, 1927) S. No.85 of Village Turbe, Taluka Pancel, Dist. Raigad for Compensatory Afforestation for the diversion of 0.6732 ha. Mangrove area for proposal for establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving construction of Bridge on Taloja River and construction of ROB on Diva-Panvel Railway line at Village Pendhar S.No.297, 88 Nalla (un-notified Mangrove) and Village Taloja - Tarfe Panchannd S.No.244, 245, 246, 247, 320 (un-notified Mangrove) Tal. Panvel, in Raigad district in the State of Maharashtra, along with Compensatory Afforestation scheme for 10 years and certified that the said land is suitable for Compensatory Afforestation and Management purpose and it is free from encroach and encumbrances. Requisite maps are enclosed in the proposal.
- 10.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified, that the proposed Project is not likely to affect any monuments site of culture, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 11.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has carried out site Inspection on dated 29.12.2021. The site inspection report is enclosed in the proposal.
- 12.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag's report are self-explanatory and this office agrees with the same.
- 13.00 This project is for Diversion of 0.6732 ha. of Mangrove area for proposal for establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving construction of Bridge on Taloja River S.No. 297, 88, Nalla (un-notified Mangrove) and Village Taloja Tarfe Panchannd S.No.244, 245, 246, 247, 320 (un-notified Mangrove) Tal. Panvel, District Raigad which is infrastructure and public utility project, which required less than 1.00 ha. of un-notified Mangrove land. The Project proponent is ready to bear all the Government leuies and as per recommendation of the Deputy Alibag the proposal is recommended for acceptance and necessary approval u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

14.00 Four sets of proposals are enclosed herewith all required documents for further necessary action. Proposal is submitted online vide No. FP-MH/ROAD/52103/2020.

Encl.: As above.

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Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Executive Engineer (BPR-HQ), Railway Project CIDCO Ltd., for information and necessary action.

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Sheetal Raut/English/120) 0.6732 ha. Diva-Panvel Railway Line

Diversion of 0.6732 ha. Mangrove Forest area for establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving Construction of Bridge on Taloja River and Construction of ROB on Diva-Panvel Railway line, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad, Maharashtra.

PART - III

(To be filled by the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests)

1.	Whether site, where the forest land involved is located has been inspected by concerned Chief Conservator of Forests (Yes/No). If yes, the date of inspection and observations made in form of inspection note to be enclosed.	
2.	Whether the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	Agreed with the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag.
3.	Specific recommendation of the Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	The proposal is for Construction of Bridge on Taloja River and Construction of ROB on Diva-Panvel Railway line, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad, Maharashtra. which is infrastructure and public utility project and required less than 1.00 ha. forest land. Hence, it is recommended for acceptance and necessary approval may be accorded under the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

(S. V. Ramarao)

Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane

Date: 29.07.2022

Place: Thane

CONSERVATOR OF FOREST, ALIBAG

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No. A/20/Land/FCA/ 679 /2022-23.

Date:-08 /06/2022.

To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane.

Subject: Forest land Alibag.

Diversion of 0.6732 Ha. of Mangrove Forest area for establishment of a connectivity link form Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving construction of Bridge on Taloja River and construction of ROB on Diva-Panvel RAilwa line, Tal. Panvel, Dist. Raigad, Maharashtra.

- Ref.:- 1) Executive Engineer(BPT & HQ), Kharghar, Navi Mumbai letter No. CIDCO /EE(BPR&HQ)/2020/986, dtd. 20/11/2020.
 - 2) This office letter No. B/20/Land/2613, dated 16/12/2020.
 - 3) Executive Engineer(BPT& HQ), Kharghar, Navi Mumbai letter No. CIDCO /EE(BPR&HQ)/2021/1009, dtd. 01/01/2021.
 - 4) Executive Engineer (BPT& HQ), Kharghar, Navi Mumbai letter No. CIDCO /EE(BPR&HQ)/2021/05, dtd. 06/01/2021.
 - 5) This office letter No. B/20/Land/3462, dated 01/02/2021.
 - 6) Executive Engineer (BPT& HQ), Kharghar, Navi Mumbai letter No. CIDCO /EE(BPR&HQ)/2021/179, dtd. 06/12/2021.
 - 7) This office letter No. B/20/land/3512, dated 28/12/2021.
 - 8) This office letter No. B/20/land/4235, dated 27/01/2022.
 - 9) Executive Engineer (BPT& HQ), Kharghar, Navi Mumbai letter No. CIDCO /EE(BPR&HQ)/2021/251, dtd. 08/02/2022.
 - 10) This office letter No. B/20/land/FCA/4956, dated 03/03/2022.
 - 11) Executive Engineer (BPT& HQ), Kharghar, Navi Mumbai letter No. CIDCO /EE(BPR&HQ)/2021/281, dtd. 09/03/2022.
 - 12) This office letter No. B/20/land/FCA/813, dated 01/06/2022.
 - 13) Executive Engineer (BPT& HQ), Kharghar, Navi Mumbai letter No. CIDCO /EE(BPR&HQ)/2021/482, dtd. 06/06/2022.

The Project Authority Executive Engineer (BPT & HQ), CIDCO, Kharghar Station Complex, Kharghar Navi Mumbai has submitted a proposal for diversion of 0.6732 Ha. Mangrove area for Establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving conctruction of Bridge on Taloja River and Construction of ROB on Diva-Panvel Railway line at village Pendhar & Taloja Tarfe Panchannd, Taluka Panvel of District Raigad in Maharashtra State. This project requires 0.6732 ha. area of Mangrove Area (Not-notified Mangrove) land, therefore the project authority is seeking GOI permission under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

S.No.	Village Name	Taluk a	S.No.	Area (Ha.)	Legal Status	
1)	Pendhar	nar Panvel	S.No. 297	0.3348	Not-notified Mangrove	
2)			S.No. 88	0.0789	land	
3)			Nala	0.0039		
4)	Taloja Tarfe Panchannd	Panvel	S.No.244	0.0020	Street Control	
5)		Panchannd		S.No.245	0.0094	
6)		520	S.No.246	0.1619		
7)			S.No.247	0.0274		
9)			S.No. 320	0.0549		
			Total: -	0.6732		

The following documents which are necessary as per Government of India instructions have been submitted with the proposal.

- 1) Prescribed form- A, Part I & II.
- 2) Area statement.
- 3) Index map of suitable scale.
- 4) Certificate regarding uses of forest land.
- 5) Brief project details from the Project Authority.
- 6) The project authority has given an undertaking of Net Present Value.
- 7) The site inspection report of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag.

This proposal is for approach road. This project involves below 1.00 ha. forest land, therefore the compensatory non-forest land is not required. Hence, compensatory afforestation is proposed on 1.00 ha. degraded forest land. The degraded forest land identified for compensatory afforestation from Reserved Forest (Under Section 4 of Indian Forest Act 1927) S.No. 85 of village Turbhe, Taluka Panyel, Dist. Raigad. The project authority is willing to bear the cost of compensatory afforestation as required by the Government.

The following documents are awaited from the Agency for the revised proposal –

1) Certificate of Collector Raigad under FRA, 2006.

This proposal is for diversion of 0.6732 Ha. Mangrove area for Establishment of a connectivity link from Kharghar to Taloja at Pendhar involving conctruction of Bridge on Taloja River and Construction of ROB on Diva-Panvel Railway line at village Pendhar & Taloja Tarfe Panchannd, Taluka Panvel of District Raigad in Maharashtra State which requires less than 1.00 ha, of forest land. Project proponent is ready to bear all the Government levies hence the proposal is being recommended for approval for diverting the required forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 on the following conditions-

- 1) The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2) The area diverted will be used only for the purpose mentioned in proposal.
- 3) Cost of compensatory afforestation to be borne by the Project Authority.
- 4) Net Present Value to be borne by Project Authority.

(Ashish Thakre, IFS)

Deputy Conservator of Forests,

Alibag.

Encl: 6 sets of proposals

Copy submitted to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, M.S. Nagpur.

Copy forwarded with compliments to the Collector, Raigad for information.

Copy forwarded Executive Engineer (BPT & HQ), CIDCO, Kharghar Station Complex,

Kharghar Navi Mumbai -410210 for information and necessary action.

Copy to Assistant Conservator of Forests, Panvel for information.

Copy to Range Forest Officer, Panvel for information.