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## SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Reference: Index Sr. NO 30

(Site inspection Report from Deputy Conservator of Forests Satara.)

(Prescribed vide PCCF (HOFF) No Desk – 17-4/1445. Dated 05/11/2015)

Sr.N.	Items	Observations and remarks.																														
1	Name of Project and location (Range, Round, Beat)	<p>Proposal for diversion of 1.5457 ha. forest land for regularisation of lease of Forest land (before 1980) for use of Holiday Homes with. drinking water pipeline, water tank, electricity, internal road &amp; internal parking &amp; other amenities from survey no 223/1 Comp no. 77 at village Malcompeth, Tal.-Mahabaleshwar, Dist. Satara, to the Central Railway Pune, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 33%;">Range</th> <th style="width: 33%;">Round</th> <th style="width: 33%;">Beat</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Mahabaleshwar</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Mahabaleshwar</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Molcompeth</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Range	Round	Beat	Mahabaleshwar	Mahabaleshwar	Molcompeth																								
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2	Name of User Agency	The Divisional Engineer DEN (HQ) Central Railway, Pune.																														
3	Date of site Inspection	21/04/2021																														
4	Extent (ha) and legal status of forest land proposed to diversion.	Forest land Required 1.5457 ha. Legal Status - RF																														
5	<p>a) Details of forest land proposed for diversion and activity-wise break-up of Forest land</p> <p>b) Density and Eco-value class</p>	<p>Forest land proposed for diversion</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="5" style="text-align: center;">Forest land required for expired lease land</th> </tr> <tr> <th style="width: 15%;">Name of Village</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Sy. No. / C. no</th> <th style="width: 35%;">Particular of work</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Area in ha.</th> <th style="width: 20%;">Status</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="6" style="text-align: center;">Malcolm peth</td> <td rowspan="6" style="text-align: center;">Comp no 77 Sy. No. 223/1</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Area under Quarter/ Holiday homes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0.1008</td> <td rowspan="6" style="text-align: center;">R F</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Garden</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0.0887</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Road &amp; Path Parking</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0.1218</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Water Tank &amp; Septic tank</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0.0088</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Water pipeline &amp; Drainage</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0.0101</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Plantation &amp; Open area</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1.2155</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: center;">Forest area require</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>1.5457</b></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Eco-Value class = density 0.8 % , dense Forest, Eco-Class I</p>	Forest land required for expired lease land					Name of Village	Sy. No. / C. no	Particular of work	Area in ha.	Status	Malcolm peth	Comp no 77 Sy. No. 223/1	Area under Quarter/ Holiday homes	0.1008	R F	Garden	0.0887	Road & Path Parking	0.1218	Water Tank & Septic tank	0.0088	Water pipeline & Drainage	0.0101	Plantation & Open area	1.2155	Forest area require			<b>1.5457</b>	
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6	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency in col. of Part I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no recommended area item-wise with details of alternative examined.	Yes, the requirement of forest land as proposed by U. A. is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project for regularisation of expired lease of Forest land (before 1980) used for construction of Holiday Homes with other amenities Hence the details of alternative have not been examined.
7	Whether the proposal involves any construction of building (including residential) or not? If Yes, details thereof	Yes. Propose project is regularisation of lease forest land sanction for construction of Holiday Homes The construction work of Holiday Homes already completed.
8	<p>a) whether forest area proposed for diversion is important form wildlife point of view or not.</p> <p>b) Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in proposed forest land. If so the details thereof.</p> <p>c) Aerial distance from the nearest boundary of any Protected Area.</p> <p>d) Remarks about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project.</p> <p>e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required? If yes, reasons there for.</p>	<p>Area which was earlier leased and constructed land. Now proposal for diversion not found much important through wildlife point of view.</p> <p>There is no any rare or endangered unique species of flora and fauna found within proposed forest land.</p> <p>The proposed forest land felling 14 Km away from boundary of Sahyadri Tiger Reserved Project &amp; 3 K. M. from Jor Jambhali Conservation Reserved.</p> <p>Proposed area is within Mahabaleshwar pachgani Eco Sensitive zone deleared by MOEFFCC vide notification dated 17<sup>th</sup> jan. 2001 but patch of area which is prosed for diversion has already been constructed within the lease period which was expired in 1988. Proposal dose not involve new tree cutting. Hence area is not sensitive.</p> <p>No</p>
9	<p>Details of vegetation:</p> <p>a) Total no of trees to be felled.</p>	<p>No tree felling is required.</p> <p>Nil</p>

	<p>b) Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm.</p> <p>c) Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm.</p> <p>d) Effect of removal of trees on the general ecosystem in the area.</p>	<p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Question doesn't arise.</p>
10	Background note on the proposal (short summary)	The Govt. of Maharashtra had sanctioned forest land on lease area 2.00 Acre for Construction of Holiday Homes & 3.00 Acre Forest land for plantation by Revenue & Forest Department letter no. FLD.2078/38-F-3 Dt. 18/2/1979 & 22/2/1980. The process of completion of lease agreement was completed between Divisional Forest Officer Satara & Sr. Divisional Engineer, Central Railway, Bombay. On 22/01/1985 for the period of 1978 to 1988. Propose project is regularisation of lease forest land sanction for construction of Holiday Homes. accordingly, Railway has constructed 4 Suits for officers and 16 Suits for Group 'C' and Group 'D' staffs. Project Authority has not completed procedure under FCA, 1980 for regularisation of lease for construction of holiday homes for railway staff.
11	Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980? If yes, a detailed report on violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached	Yes, P.A. has violated the rules of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. As before expiry of lease project authority has not completed the procedure for regularisation of lease under FCA 1980. Violation report attached on page No. 58 to 65.
12	Whether the proposal involves rehibitions of displaced person, If yes, whether rehibitions plan has approved by the State Govt.?	No
13	Details of catchment and culturable compared area under the project (If applicable) Status of catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (If applicable)	Not applicable.

14	Utility of Project	Propose project is regularisation of lease forest land for construction of Holiday Homes for use o Central Railway Dept.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural/ religious values? Whether any scared grove or very old growth trees/forest exist in the area	No.
16	Any other importance information related to the project (separate note may be attached, (If required)	Through Project authority requested that, proposed land to be diverted is already diverted & under use of Holiday Homes & work was completed before enforcements of ESZ notification of by MoEF (ESZ) DIVISION by 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2001. Hence there is no need to take approval from the "High level monitoring committee (HLMC) appointed by MoEF (ESZ Division) by order no. 2/40/2005/ESZ(RE) Part File, Date 14Th March 2017. That the proposed land to be diverted is already diverted & under use of Holiday Homes & work was completed before enforcements of FRA 2006 hence the compliance under certificate of Collector satara & the Gram Sabha resolution under FRA. 2006 should be exempted to this project. But project Authority is required to furnish these certificates. The holiday homes used for railway staffs and non comecial use. Use of the holiday home is not public utility project
17	Details of documents and photographs enclosed	1) Authority letter 2) Topo map 3) Lease agreement 4) Photographs of proposed area 5) Cronology of Events.
18	Recommendation of the Inspecting Officer.	The proposal is recommended for acceptance , for proposal is regularisation of leased land under holiday homes and other amenities. .

Place - Satara  
Date - /04/2022

  
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