

**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.:- The Deputy Engineer, MIDC (M) Sub Division, Ahmednagar has submitted the project for diversion of 0.66 ha forest land for construction of booster pumping station for water supply at Dehare village in Ahmednagar district. The details of land proposed for diversion is as under-

Village	Tal & Dist.	Gut. No	Legal Status	Area in Ha.
Dehre	Ahmednagar	301 (Comptt. No. 308)	Unclassed Forest	0.66

*Specific recommendation of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) MS Nagpur is attached on page no. 10A*

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*24/8/16*

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

Date:

Place: Nagpur

**Construction of booster pumping station for water supply at Dehre village  
Specific Recommendation of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Maharashtra State (Head of Forest Force) with regards to acceptance or  
otherwise of the proposal supported by reasons.**

- 1) The proposal is for diversion of 0.66 ha of forest land for construction of booster pumping station for water supply at Dehare village in Ahmednagar district. The details of land proposed for diversion is as under-

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The project has been initiated by Deputy Engineer, MIDC (M) Sub Division, Ahmednagar for construction of booster pumping station for water supply at Dehre village. The project is administratively approved by Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) vide order No. CE/PUNE/AA/238/of 2015-16 dated 10/09/2015 for the work of permanent water supply scheme. The User Agency has stated that the source of water is from Mula dam where jack well is constructed. High head of about 165-170 mtr is acting on the existing pipeline, a very high pressure is exerted on the pipeline which lead to frequent breakdown / bursting of the pipeline. Single stage pumping for such high head is creating huge numbers of leakages / breakdowns on this pipeline which affect the water supply adversely. As such it is necessary to introduce an intermediate stage in order to break to break the head & safe guard the pipeline from frequent breakdown.

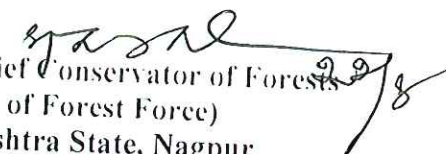
Government of India has conveyed its general approval under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 for diversion of up to 1.00 ha forest land to Government Departments, Government undertakings, Boards, Corporations etc vide letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 13/02/2014 & 21/08/2014 for 13 activities subject to some conditions. 'Drinking water projects' is included in these 13 activities.

- 2) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar has stated that no alternate alignment is possible and the forest land required is the barest minimum.
- 3) There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 as certified by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar.
- 4) The area involved does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, and the Nature Reserve etc, as certified by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar.
- 5) The proposed area belongs to Eco-value class-III and open forest.
- 6) The User Agency has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed for diversion.
- 7) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar has certified that the proposed project is beyond 10 km of the boundaries of the Protected Area.

- 8) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar has certified that the proposed area is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 9) There is no cutting and felling of trees is involved in implementation of the project.
- 10) Site Inspection Report of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar is enclosed in the proposal on page no. 67.
- 11) The User Agency has submitted the compliance under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Rights) Act 2006.
- 12) The User Agency has submitted the undertaking that to defray the cost of medicinal plantation.
- 13) Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar has certified that the proposed booster pumping station for existing water supply scheme and the pipeline is already laid before 1980, adjoining to forest gut no. 301 at Dehare village. Therefore, there is no suitable alternative for proposed booster pumping station and no other alternative route is feasible for this project.
- 14) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar has certified that 1.32 ha. degraded reserved forest land in Sur. No. 77, Gut No. 147 (Comptt. No. 359) at village Ralegansiddhi, Ta. Parner, Dist. Ahmednagar proposed for compensatory afforestation is suitable for afforestation & management purpose and also free from encroachment and encumbrances.
- 15) The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ahmednagar have recommended the proposal for approval.

**In view of this, the proposal is recommended 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 1.32 ha degraded forest land made available by the Forest Department.
- iii. The forest land shall not be used for any purposes other than specified in the project.
- iv. The User Agency will defray the cost of Net Present Value of 0.66 Ha. of forest land as per the latest guideline of Government of India.
- v. The User Agency will defray the additional / revised cost of Net Present Value of forest land as per the latest Guideline of Government of India.
- vi. Any other conditions stipulated by Government at the time of submission of the proposal will be binding to User Agency.
- vii. Provisions of all Acts, Rules made thereunder and guidelines applicable to the project shall have to be strictly followed.

  
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force)  
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**Sub. :-** Diversion of 0.66 ha unclassified forest land for construction of booster pumping station for water supply at Dehare village in Ahmednagar district.

No. : Desk-17/NC/II/L.D. 12440/(13)/ 950 /16-17

Nagpur - 440 001, Dated : 24/08/2016

To

The Secretary (Forests),  
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 Mantralaya, Mumbai

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2) 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 Government of India's instructions issued from time to time are enclosed in Two copy.

- 1) Prescribed form dated 10/01/2003.
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It is therefore requested that the Government of Maharashtra may kindly be approve diversion of 0.66 ha forest land for construction of booster pumping station for water supply at Dehare village in Ahmednagar district, under section 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Encl. :- As above

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*23.8.16*

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*Decpl. 7/8*  
*24/02*