GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

FROM:

Dr.Mohd.Iliyas Rizvi, IFS., Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force) (FAC) Aranya Bhavan, Andhra Pradesh, Collector's Bungalow Road, Guntur – 522 004. To,
The Principal Secretary to the Govt.,
Environment, Forest, Science &
Technology Department,
Andhra Pradesh, Velagapudi,
Amaravathi - 522 503

Ref. EFS02/15029/71/2018/FCA .SEC.PCCF/FCA-2

Dated: 04-09-2018

Sir,

- Sub Mines & Minerals Proposals for diversion of 4.69 Ha., of forest land in compt. No.389 of Mangunta West R.F., Karvetinagar Range of Chittoor (East) WLM.Division, Chittoor for quarry lease of black granite in favour of M/s.Venkateswara Rocks (Prop.Sri P.Sudhakar Reddy, Chittoor) submission of proposals Reg.
- Ref: 1. D.M.G., A.P., Hyderabad Ref.No.7315/R5-1/2016, dated 09-07-2016.
 - 2. Online submission of proposal No.FP/AP/QRY/26772/2017.
 - 3. Application of M/s.Venkateswara Rocks, Chittoor (Prop.Sri.P.Sudhakar Reddy, Chittoor) dated 22-06-2017.
 - P.C.C.F. (HoFF) A.P., Guntur Rc.No.12325/2016-FCA-2, dated 06-07-2017.
 - A.P.C.C.F./C.F, WLM.Circle, Tirupathi Rc.No.1014/2016-M1, dated 10-08-2018.

It is submitted that M/s.Venkateswara Rocks, (Prop.Sri P.Sudhakar Reddy), Chittoor has submitted the diversion of forest land proposals for 4.69 Ha., of forest land in compt. No.389 of Mangunta West R.F., Karvetinagar Range of Chittoor (East) WLM.Division, Chittoor for quarry lease of black granite through the ref.1st cited.

The application of the above stated User agency also received in online through the ref.2nd cited. The Director of Mines & Geology, A.P, Ibrahimpatnam through the ref.3rd cited forwarded the proposals for diversion of forest land for grant of quarry lease for Black granite over an extent of 4.900 Ha. of forest land in comptt.No.389 of Mangunta RF, S.R.Puram Mandal, Chittoor (East) Division, Chittoor District under Section 2 of F.C.Act, 1980.

In pursuance to the application of M/s.Venkateswara Rocks (Sri P.Sudhakar Reddy) Chittoor received through the ref.2nd cited, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) A.P., Hyderabad has called for the proposals from Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (East) Chittoor through APCCF/Conservator of Forests, Tirupathi duly obtaining from User agency for processing the proposals as per the guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 through this office ref.4th cited. The APCCF/Conservator of Forests, WLM.Circle, Tirupathi has submitted the proposals duly recommended for sanction of quarry lease of Black granites through the ref.5th cited.

The following are details of proposals:

The user agency has furnished the following information in part-I:

The proposal is for diversion of 4.69 Ha. forest land in compt.No.389 of Mangunta West RF, Karvetinagar Range, Chittoor (East) Division for grant of quarry lease of Black granite.

For locating the project in forest area, the user agency has justified that the proposal is submitted for quarry lease of Black granite, the mineral of Black granite deposit available in the applied forest area is very high quality having good demand in India for construction purpose as well as in foreign countries. The quality mineral is not available in outside the RF, other than in applied forest area as such applied of mining lease after exploring all other alternatives.

Employment generation: About 160 families will be benefitted and no people will be displaced due to this project. Purpose wise break up of forest land:

SI.No.	Purpose	Area in hac.
1	Mining area	3.89
2	Safety zone area	0.67
3	Approach road area	0.13
	Total area	4.69

The user agency has submitted an undertaking that the clearance under Environment(Protection)Act, 1986 will be obtained and submitted.

The user agency has identified non forest land for compensatory afforestation over an extent of 5.22 Ha., in sy.No.109-C & 109-D of Ramagiri (Village) & (Mandal) of Ananthapuramu Division which is adjacent to the compt.No.417 of Ramagiri West RF.

The user agency has submitted undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation in identified C.A.land, under taking regarding payment of N.P.V., additional N.P.V., and tree extraction charges in the forest land proposed for diversion as and when the demand is raised by the Forest Department, if any.

The user agency has submitted the certificate under RoFR Act, 2006, as required under F© Act, 1980.

The user Agency has submitted the authenticated DGPS surveyed map for the area proposed for diversion.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (East) division, Chittoor has furnished the information in part-II as follows:

Area proposed by the User Agency for diversion of 4.69 Ha. in Mangunta West RF, Karvetinagar Range, Chittoor (East) Division for quarry lease of Black granites in favour of M/s.Venkateswara Rocks (Prop.:Sri P.Sudhakar Reddy), Chittoor.

The density of vegetation is 0.10 (Eco-Class-III).

The tree species existing in the forest land are Madhua longifolia (Bagi), Luffa actangula (Beera), Albizia amara (Chigara), Canthium dicoccum (Nallabalasa), Azadiracta indica (Vepa) etc.

As per the enumeration list, the total number of trees existing the proposed diversion land are 865, comprising 0.417 cum timber and 26.716 cum fuel valued Rs.56,239/-

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (East) Division, Chittoor stated that no impact of project on the soil erosion in proposed area.

The area applied in Mangunta West RF does not fall under wildlife sanctuary/National Park, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor etc.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor(East) has inspected the proposed area on 21-12-2017.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor(East) has stated that no violation is occurred as per the proposed area.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor(East) has stated that non-forest area identified in Ananthapuram Division of Ananthapuram Circle over an extent of 5.22 Ha. and prepared compensatory afforestation scheme with a financial outlay of Rs.23.30 lakh for the period from 2018-19 to 2029-30.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor(East) Chittoor has recommended the proposal in part-II.

The Conservator of Forests, WLM.Circle, Tirupathi has agreed with the information given in part-II and the recommendation of the Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (East) and recommended in part-III.

The proposal has been uploaded in Ministry's website and unique no.FP/AP/QRY/26772/2017, dated 22-06-2017 generated and the acknowledgement slip generated on the web portal is enclosed.

Both, the Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (East) Division and APCCF/Conservator of Forests, WLM.Circle, Tirupathi have recommended the proposal.

The proposals in (3) sets along with required information and maps are furnished herewith duly recommended the proposals in part-IV.

The Government are therefore, requested to forward the proposals for sanction of mining lease over an extent of 4.69 Ha., in compartment no.389 of Mangunta West R.F., Karvetinagar Range, Chittoor (East) Division, Chittoor of Chittoor District in favour of M/s.Venkateswara Rocks (Prop.Sri P.Sudhakar Reddy) Chittoor to the Government of India for according necessary approval in the matter.

Encl: Proposals.

Yours faithfully, Sd/- Dr.Mohd.Iliyas Rizvi, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force

Copy to the CCF/Conservator of Forests, WLM.Circle, Tirupathi for information.

Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Chittoor (East) Division, Chittoor for information.

Copy to the Director of Mines&Geology, A.P.,5th & 6th Floors, Anjaneya Towers, Ibrahimpatnam, Krishna District for information.

Copy to M/s.Venkateswara Rocks, Dr.No.4-1995/4B. Balamurugan Street, Durganagar Colony, Chittoor-517 002 for information.

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15/4/18

PART-IV

(TO BE FILLED BY THE NODAL OFFICER OR PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS OR HEAD OF FOREST DEPARTMENT)

proposed for dilleration of 4.69 Ha - brough land in chilled East his Detailed opinion and specific :: recommendation of the State Department Forest acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with remarks. (While giving opinion, adverse comments made by Conservator concerned Forests or Deputy Conservator Forests should reviewed and categorically critically commented upon) Recommended

Date: 4.03.2018
Place: Sumpen-

Signature

Name Official Seal Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) Andhra Pradesh, Guntur