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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA),
Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru.

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 4.338 Ha of Forest land for Construction of 7.005 kms of 33 KV D/C Transmission line from the proposed 220/33 KV Pooling Substation at Kakkuppi village to the proposed windfarm in Sy.No.286, 368, 283, 282, 280, 301, 302, 304, 306 and 314 of Kakkuppi Village in Kudligi Taluk and Sy.No.229 of Agrahara Village Kudligi Taluk in Ballari Forest Division of Karnataka State in favour of M/s. Renew Green Energy Solutions Private Limited -reg.,

- Ref: 1) Online Application No. FP/KA/TRANS/154485/2022 [FORM-A]
2) Proposal received electronically on 12.10.2022 from of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore
3) M/s. Renew Green Energy Solutions Private Limited letter Dt.14.10.2022
4) Letter No.No.M1/MNG/Renew Green/2022-23(FC No.154485)
Dt. 12.10.2022 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari.
5) Letter No. DCF/VDH/Renew Green/2022-23, dated. 29-12-2022 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Vijayanagar Division, Hosapete.

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In light of the directions issued by your goodself having forwarded the online proposal under reference (2) cited above to the Deputy Conservators of Forests, Ballari, for processing the same, duly scrutinizing the online proposal received from the above user agency for diversion of 4.338 ha of Forest land for Construction of 7.005 kms of 33 KV D/C Transmission line from the proposed 220/33 KV Pooling Substation at Kakkuppi village to the proposed windfarm in Sy.No.286, 368, 283, 282, 280, 301, 302, 304, 306 and 314 of Kakkuppi Village in Kudligi Taluk and Sy.No.229 of Agrahara Village Kudligi Taluk in Ballari Forest Division of Karnataka State in favour of M/s. Renew Green Energy Solutions Private Limited vide online proposal No. FP/KA/TRANS/1554485/2022 [FORM-A]..

Accordingly, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Vijayanagar Division, Hosapete in his self contained report has stated that he has personally inspected the proposed forest land on 15-12-2022 and recommended the proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of forest land for the above purpose vide his letter (5) cited above. Ongoing through the same the following facts are brought to your kind notice for taking further needful action.

- It is reported that the above user agency has applied for diversion of 4.338 ha of forest land. The component wise details of forest land required are as under:

Village and Survey number wise details of the proposed Area for diversion are as following:

Survey No. wise Village-wise Area					
Village	Sy. No.	Length (mtr)	Width (mtr)	Area (Ha.)	Remarks /Status
Kakkuppi	286	21	15	0.031	Proposed area falls in Kakkuppi RF
	368 (old Sy.No. 286)	120	15	0.18	
	283	149	15	0.224	
	282	194.88	15	0.292	
	280	183.29	15	0.274	
	301	117.90	15	0.176	
	302	20.07	15	0.0301	
	304	22.66	15	0.033	
	306	357.05	15	0.536	
	314	595.15	15	0.892	
Agrahara	229 (old Sy.No. 614)	1111	15	1.67	
Total		2892		4.338	

- Net Present Value (NPV):** The NPV amount has been revised as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India Dt: 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide its letter No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 05.02.2009. (i.e.Rs.6,70,140/- per hectares). Hence, the NPV amount (Rs. 29,07,067/-) as per existing rates may be recovered from lessee i.e. M/s. Renew Green Energy Solutions Private Limited for an extent of 4.338 ha. M/s. Renew Green Energy Solutions Private Limited has submitted the undertaking stating they would pay such charges as decided by the Government.
- Compensatory Afforestation:** As per Para No. 2.5 (i) (a) of Chapter No.2 of Handbook of Guidelines for effective and transparent implementation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, the User Agency has to pay CA charges for raising of Compensatory Afforestation on degraded forest land twice in extent of the forest area to be diverted. Further, the User Agency has submitted the undertaking to this effect. In this regard, the degraded forest land has been identified in Sy.No.435(Palayyanakote Forest block-3) of Sunkadakallu Village, Kudligi Range, Vijayanagara District over an extent of 8.676 hectares (4.338 X 2 = 8.676 ha)

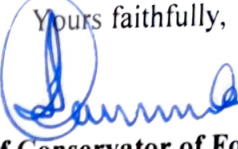
- Certificate in Form-I under Forest Rights Act-2006 from the Deputy Commissioner has not been issued. However, M/s. Renew Green Energy Solutions Private Limited has requested the Deputy Commissioner, Vijayanagara for issuance of the same vide letter Dt.27.09.2022. Copy of the request letter is enclosed with the proposal.
- It is reported that, the proposed forest land is not a part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve and elephant corridor etc. Further, the proposed area is 40.80 km away from the Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary and 40.4 kms away from Eco-sensitive zone of Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary, 6.78 km away from the Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary and 2.18 kms away from Eco-sensitive zone of Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary.
- It is also reported that, the above project proposal have explored all other alternative and among three attempts made by the above user agency, the present extent of forest land to the tune of 4.338 is bare minimum and inevitable for seeking forest land to the above purpose.

Sl. No	33 KV Line Alignment Explored	Approx Length in KM	Width in M	Forest Area involvement (in Ha)	Remark
1	Alignment-1 (Purple)	5.759	15	6.30	Forest Area
2	Alignment-2 (Green)	7.005	15	4.338	Least forest area involvement, hence proposed for diversion
3	Alignment-3 (BLUE)	7.849	15	5.178	Forest Area

The alignment at Sl. No. 2 is proposed to be taken up as it involves the least forest area proposed to be diverted and that with less vegetation. The UA also justify the proposed alignment for its proximity to existing roads so that least disturbance is caused while executing this proposed transmission line.

In view of the facts as categorically detailed above and the proposal is being submitted with the self contained detailed report of the Deputy Conservators of Forests, Vijayanagar Division, Hosapete, I am of the opinion that this diversion of forest land over an extent of 4.338 ha for Construction of 7.005 kms of 33 KV D/C Transmission line from the proposed 220/33 KV Pooling Substation at Kakkuppi village to the proposed windfarm in Sy.No.286, 368, 283,

282, 280, 301, 302, 304, 306 and 314 of Kakkuppi Village in Kudligi Taluk and Sy.No.229 of Agrahara Village Kudligi Taluk in Ballari Forest Division of Karnataka State in favour of M/s. Renew Green Energy Solutions Private Limited may be considered as per the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The 4 sets of diversion of forest land proposal are enclosed herewith for your kind perusal and further needful action in the matter

Yours faithfully,



**Chief Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari.**

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 Conservator of Forests (Yes/No). If yes, the date of inspection and observations made in the form of inspection note to be enclosed.	No. However, I agree with the field inspections made by the Deputy Conservators of Forests, Vijayanagar Division, Hosapete.
2	Whether the concerned Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	I agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservators of Forests, Vijayanagar Division, Hosapete..
3	Specific recommendation of concerned Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	The diversion of forest land to the tune of 4.338 ha. of forest land is bare minimum for Construction of 7.005 kms of 33 KV D/C Transmission line from the proposed 220/33 KV Pooling Substation at Kakkuppi village to the proposed windfarm in Sy.No.286, 368, 283, 282, 280, 301, 302, 304, 306 and 314 of Kakkuppi Village in Kudligi Taluk and Sy.No.229 of Agrahara Village Kudligi Taluk, Vijayanagar Division may be considered as per the provision of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Place: Bellary
Date: 06-01-2023


Signature: (T. Heeralal)
Seal : Chief Conservator of Forests
Bellary Circle, Bellary