

Full title of the Project: Diversion of Forest Land for laying underground Drinking Water Pipeline at Karla & 7 other Villages under Regional Rural Water Supply Scheme; Tehsil Maval District Pune

File No.: FP/ MH/Water/153330/2022

Date of Proposal: 11/03/2022

APPENDIX (SEE RULE 6)

FORM - 'A'

FORM FOR SEEKING PRIOR APPROVAL UNDER SECTION 2 (ii) OF THE FOREST (CONSERVATION) ACT, 1980

THE PROPOSAL BY THE STATE GOVERNMENTS AND OTHER AUTHORITIES

PART-II

(TO BE FILLED BY THE CONCERNED DY. CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS)

State Serial No. of the Proposal:

7. **Location of the Project/ Scheme:**

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| (i) State/ Union Territory: | Maharashtra |
| (ii) District: | Pune |
| (iii) Forest Division: | Pune |
| (iv) Area of Forest Land proposed for diversion (In Ha.): | 0.1402 Ha. |
| (v) Legal status of Forest: | RF/ PF |
| (vi) Density of vegetation: | 0.1 |
| (vii) Species- wise (Scientific Names) and diameter class- wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation/ hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 m and FRL-4 m also to be enclosed): | |

The proposed land is devoid of trees. Hence, no tree felling is involved.

- (viii) Brief note on vulnerability of the Forest area to erosion:



The Forest Land proposed for diversion is not vulnerable to erosion on account of its location, topographical & geo-morphological features and other climatic factors. And no vegetation is required to be cleared off for the project.

(ix) Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest:

The project alignment is passing through Reserved Forest having Gut No. 724 of village Waksai, Gut No. 1 of Village Devghar & Gut No. 32 of village Karandoli, all Tehsil Maval of Pune District.

(x) Whether forms part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor, etc.? (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed):

No.

(xi) Whether any rare/ endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in the area? (If so, the details thereof):

No any conspicuous flora and fauna observed or reported so far.

(xii) Whether any protected archaeological/ heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area? (If so, details thereof with NOC from the Competent Authority, if required):

No protected archaeological/ heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area proposed for diversion.

8. **Whether the requirement of Forest Land as proposed by the User Agency in Col. No. 2 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 the User Agency in Col. No. 2 of Part I of Form A, is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project.

9. **Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out? (Yes/ No). If yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work done in violation is still in progress?**

No. Work has not been carried out by the Project Proponent in violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

10. **Details of Compensatory Afforestation Scheme:**



The project is categorized as Critical Public Utility & welfare Project. The project involves Forest Land to the extent of 0.1402 Ha., which is less than 1.00 Ha. No tree is required to be felled for the purpose of the extant project.

In view of the above fact, subject to provision under Para 2.6 (1) (b) & (e) of the Handbook of FCA, 1980 & FCR, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarifications), no Compensatory Afforestation is to be insisted upon.

11. Site Inspection Report of the Dy. CF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in Col. No. 7 (xi & xii), 8 & 9 above:

The Site Inspection Report is annexed herewith this Part II of the proposal.

12. Division Profile:

Pune Forest Division:

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| (i) Geographical area of the district: | 15,616 Sq. m. |
| (ii) Forest Area of the District: | 84878 Ha. |
| (iii) Total forest area diverted since 1980 with no. of cases: | 664.08 Ha. / 72 |
| (iv) Total compensatory afforestation as on the date: | 481.16 Ha. |
| (a) Forest Land, including Penal CA: | 76.29 Ha. |
| (b) Non- forest land: | 404.87 Ha. |
| (v) Progress of Compensatory Afforestation as on the date: | 481.16 Ha. |
| (a) Forest Land: | 76.29 Ha. |
| (b) Non- forest land: | 404.87 Ha. |

13. Specific recommendations of the Dy.CF. for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons:

To cater the increased need of drinking water for Karla and adjoining villages, the existing water supply system is required to be revived.

The target areas, topographical limitations of area, town planning issues and technological requirements have been considered for deciding alignment of the project. The project has definite locations and definite routes. As such, the project is site specific.



The project is site specific as there is no alternative "non- forest route" available with Maharashtra Jeevan Pradhikaran for execution of the extant proposal. Hence, diversion of Forest Land becomes unavoidable. The requirement of Forest Land is assessed to be minimum for the project. Further, no tree felling is required for the proposed project alignment.

The project is vital for satisfying the basic need of the people of Karla and other villages. The project is categorized as Critical Public Utility & welfare Project. Hence, the proposal is recommended for acceptance.

Date: 31-10-2022
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