

PART-II
(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)
State serial No. of proposal _____

7. Location of the project/Scheme:

i	<u>State/Union Territory</u>	MAHARASHTRA STATE
ii	Forest Division	Alibag Forest Division, Alibag
iii	District	Raigad
iv	Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in ha.)	0.9850 Ha. of forest area village Neral and Bekare of Karjat Taluka, Dist. Raigad
v	Legal status of forest	Reserved forest.
vi	Density of Vegetation	The density is below 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 meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed.)	No tree felling in the proposed work.
viii	Brief note on vulnerability of the forest area to erosion	The entire area is sensitive zone and hence prone to erosion.
ix	Approx. distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest	Approx. distance of proposed site is 0.00 mtrs. from boundary of forest.
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).	The forest area doesn't form part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor. But this project comes under Matheran Eco-Sensitive Zone.
xi	Whether any rare/endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in the area if so detail thereof.	The project area comes under Matheran Eco-Sensitive Zone.

xii	Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required	There is no protected archaeological/ heritage site/ Defense establishment or any other important monument located in the project area. But this project comes under Matheran Eco-Sensitive Zone.
8	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined	The required area demanded for the purpose of the project is the barest minimum requirement & unavoidable.
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 in violation is still in progress.	Yes. The road which has been built previously has points of violations along the route. The present proposal is proposed on this already built road. This matter has been brought to the notice of User Agency. Certificate regarding violation is enclosed in the proposal.
10	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme	As under.
i	Details of non forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch	Degraded Forest land identified for Compensatory Afforestation from Protected Forest Gut No. 143 of Village Kavir, Taluka Alibag, Dist. Raigad
ii	Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries	Attached on Page No.
iii	Details Compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted, implementing agency, time schedule, cost structure, etc.	Yes, Details of compensatory afforestation scheme is attached on Page No.
iv	Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme	Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme is Rs. 339439/-

v	Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view. (To be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests).	Yes, certificate attached on Page No.
11	Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col. 7 (xi, xii), 8 and 9 above.	The site inspection report with joint inspection report is attached at page no.
12	Division/District profile:	District - Raigad Division - Alibag Forest Division
i	Geographical area of the district	Raigad Dist. - 7152 Sq. KM.
ii	Forest area of the district.	Raigad Dist, - 1647.68 Sq. KM.
iii	Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases in the Division	No. 78 cases - Area diverted 929.4104 Ha.
iv	Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on a) forest land including penal compensatory afforestation, b) non-forest land	2068.183 Ha, On forest land. <u>367.464 Ha.</u> On non-forest land 2435.647 Ha.
v	Progress of compensatory afforestation as on 31/03/2016 (a) forest land (b) non-forest land.	2009.9538Ha, on forest land. <u>367.4640 Ha.</u> On non-forest land 2377.4178 Ha.
13	Specific recommendations of the Deputy Conservator of Forest for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons	This project is of infrastructure development and is essential for safety of locals and tourists and it helps development of tourism as well as employment generation of Matheran Hill Station. Hence the proposal is being recommended.

Place:- Alibag
Date: /12/2016.

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Deputy Conservator of Forests,
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Letter

Subject: **Forest land Raigad**

Diversion of 0.9850 ha of Forest land for
widening and improvement of Neral-Dasturi
Road in Karjat Taluka, Raigad Distirct.

No. A/20/Land/ 1322/2016-2017.
Alibag - 402 201, Dated:- 3 /12/2016.

To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Thane.

Ref.:- 1) Deputy Engineer-1, Technical department, MMRDA, Mumbai
Letter No. TD/Ext.MUIP/110/2016, Dt. 11/11/2016.
2) Executive Engineer, MMRDA, Mumbai letter No. MMRDA/Matheran/forest/
115/2016, dtated 28/11/2016.

Deputy Engineer-1, Technical department, MMRDA, Mumbai has submitted a
proposal for widening and improvement of Neral-Dasturi (Matheran) road in Karjat Taluka,
Raigad District, Maharashtra. This project requires 0.9850 Ha. area of Reserved Forest.
Therefore the project authority is seeking GOI permission under Forest (Conservation) Act,
1980.

S. No.	Village Name	Taluka	S.No.	Area (Ha.)	Legal Status
1)	Neral	Karjat	110 Pt.(Comptt. No.50A)	0.2500	Reserved forest
			331 Pt. and 333 Pt.(Comptt. No.50A)	0.5400	Reserved forest
2)	Bekare	Karjat	101 Pt. Comptt. No.502pt.)	0.1950	Reserved forest
			Total:-	0.9850	

The following documents which are necessary as per Government of India instructions have been submitted with the proposal.

- 1) Prescribed form- A, Part - I & II.
- 2) Area statement.
- 3) Index map of suitable scale.
- 4) Certificate regarding violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.
- 5) Brief project details from the Project Authority.
- 6) The project authority has given an undertaking of Net Present Value.
- 7) The site inspection report of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag.

The proposed area to be diverted is below 1.00 ha. Hence the Compensatory Non-Forest land is not required. Compensatory Afforestation is proposed on 1.00 Ha. degraded Forest land in Gut No. 143of village Kavir, Tal. Alibag, Dist. Raigad.

The project authority is willing to bear cost of Compensatory Afforestation and NPV.

The following documents are yet to be received from User Agency.
1) Certificate of Collector Raigad under FRA-2006

This project is for widening and improvement of existing Neral-Dasturi (Matheran) Road. There is no alternate alignment possible since this is the only accessible vehicular road for locals and tourist visiting Matheran Hill Station. Looking into the safety concerns of locals and tourists this project is submitted with great urgency so as to expedite the project before start of monsoon. Project proponent is ready to bear all the Government levies hence the proposal is being recommended for approval for diverting the required forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 on the following conditions-

- 1) The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2) The area diverted will be used only for purpose mentioned in proposal.
- 3) Cost of compensatory afforestation to be borne by the Project Authority.
- 4) Net Present Value to be borne by Project Authority.

Encl: 6 sets of proposals

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Copy submitted to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, M.S. Nagpur.

Copy forwarded with compliments to the Collector, Raigad for information.

Copy forwarded to Executive Engineer, MMRDA, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East), Mumbai- 400 051 for information and necessary action.

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Copy to Assistant Conservator of Forests, Panvel for information.

Copy to Range Forest Officer, Matheran for information.

Received
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