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> Sub: Proposal for diversion of 0.64 ha. forest land for laying of overhead 440 volt L.T. Aerial Bunche Cable ABC twisted electric line for Hareswar Temple, at Solashi, Tal. Koregaon & Dhareshwar Temple at Vele, Tal. Wai, District Satara, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the State of Maharashtra.

No.: Desk-17/ FCA-S1/PJD-157219/Kolh4pur/2710 Nagpur- 440 001, Dated: - 15/12/2023

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Revenue & Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai- 32.

Sir,

The proposal is for diversion of 0.64 ha. forest land for laying of overhead 440 volt L.T. Aerial Bunche Cable ABC twisted electric line for Hareswar Temple, at Solashi, Tal. Koregaon & Dhareshwar Temple at Vele, Tal. Wai, District Satara, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the State of Maharashtra.

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Total forest land required						

3.0 Village Solashi is situated in Tal. -Koregaon, Dist. Satara, there are two historical temple situated on small hillock named as Hareshwer Temple & Dhareshwer Temple. These temples are built before enforcement of forest conservation act 1980, These temples are on forest land at Solashi & Vele. These forest land had declared as Reserved Forest, U/S 20, of Indian forest Act 1927. in 1894 The Forest settlement officer had inquired the right & Privileges of local villages in which the right of approach road Human & Animal towers Harihareshwer Temple & Dhareshwer temple had been approved, under Indian Forest Act 1927. These two temples are about 2 to 3 km away from village Solashi, Tal. Koregaon. There is no electricity towers temple. Hence, villages have decided to lay over ground Electric line cable for supply electricity to temples. As both temples are inside forest area there is need to approval from the central govt. under Forest conservation Act, 1980. (PPN-46 & 47)

4.0 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara has certified that:-

- 4.1 The area belongs to Dence Forest, Eco value class-III and having density of forest is 0.1 (PPN-51)
- 4.2 The site inspection report of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara is enclosed on (PPN 50 to 54)
- 4.3 No suitable alternate non-forest land is available and the forest land required is barest minimum. (PPN-58 & 60).
- 4.4 There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act-1980. (PPN-63)

4.5 Proposed Compensatory Afforestation over 1.50 ha double degraded Forest land on Forest Gut. No.128/2, Compt.No.775 at Village Phaltan, Tal. Phaltan, Dist. Satara is suitable for afforestation and management purpose, also it is free from encroachment and encumbrances. (PPN-64)

- 4.6 Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance. (PPN-68)
- 4.7 The project is not included in the area of any National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary or Nature Reserve. (PPN-69)
- 4.8 There is no cutting & felling of trees in the implementation of the Project. (PPN-75)
- 4.9 The area involved in the project about 43.5 km. from the boundary of Sahyadri Tiger Reserve & Outside of ESZ (Prop). (PPN-76)
- 4.10 Certificate regarding 1-alternative examined for liner project. (PPN-82)

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In this proposal three alternatives has not examined as proposed work will be along existing foot path passing through forest land.

5.0 The User Agency has submitted Undertaking / Certificate / Document:

- 5.1 Agreed to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation. (PPN-61)
- 5.2 Agreed to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed under diversion. (PPN 71)
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- 5.4 The project area is outside the Scheduled Tribal Area. (PPN 77)

- 6.0 The User Agency has submitted the certificates of Gram Panchayat resolution minutes of meeting of Sub-divisional FRA Committee & Collector Certificate under FRA 2006 alongwith Stage-I Compliance. (PPN- 108).
- 7.0 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara & Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur have recommended the proposal for diversion of 0.64 ha. of Reserved forest land. (PPN-29, 30 & 54)
- 8.0 KML file of the proposed diverted area and CA area is kept in the file at the top.
- 9.0 In view of this, the proposal is recommended for approval under the section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to the following conditions:
- 1. The legal status of the forest land required will remain unchanged.
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 - B. The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars if required on the CA land shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.
- 3. NPV:

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The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 0.64 ha. forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the Government of India guidelines dated 06/01/2022 and 19/01/2022.

- a) Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- 4. No trees shall be felled during implementation of the project. In case tree felling is required the User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
- 5. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (*http://parivesh.nic.in/*)

Circle-Kolhapur/Diversion of 0.64 ha.

- 6. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
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- Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
- 11. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<u>https://parivesh.nic.in/</u>)

It is therefore, requested that the Government of India may kindly be moved for diversion of 0.64 ha. forest land for laying of overhead 440 volt L.T. Aerial Bunche Cable ABC twisted electric line for Hareswar Temple, at Solashi, Tal. Koregaon & Dhareshwar Temple at Vele, Tal. Wai, District Satara, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the State of Maharashtra.

Encl: (Proposal in two copies)

Yours sincerely,

(Naresh Zurmure) Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer

Copy forwarded for information to:

- 1. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Kolhapur.
- 2. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara.
- 3. The Dy. Executive Engineer MSEDCL Ltd., Sub-division, Wather, Tal. Koregaon, Dist. Satara. (mseb@gov.in)

PART –IV

(To be filled by the Nodal Officer or the 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)

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Specific recommendation of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur is attached on page no. 22

at 5/10/23

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Place: Nagpur

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Specific Recommendation of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Maharashtra State with regards to acceptance or otherwise of the proposal supported by reasons.

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(Shailesh G.Tembhurnikar) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.