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PART -IV

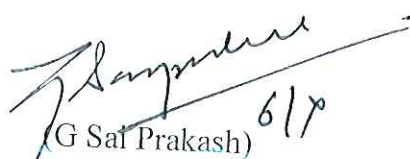
(To be filled by Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force))

(Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks)

Sub:- Proposal is for diversion of 2.00 ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act-1980 for construction of Arm Out Post at Katezari, Tal. Dhanora, Dist. Gadchiroli. The details of land proposed for diversion are as under-

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1	Parade Ground	718	0.344	Protected Forest
2	PSO Quarters		0.075	
3	Police men quarters		0.060	
4	Staff quarters		0.060	
5	Administrative building		0.200	
6	Porch		0.012	
7	Vehicle parking shed		0.040	
8	Road		0.171	
9	Open space		1.038	
Total Forest Area			2.00 ha	

Specific recommendation of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) MS Nagpur is attached on page no. 4B to 4D

  
(G Sai Prakash) 6/10

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
& Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur.

Date: 6/10/2017  
Place: Nagpur

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4/9/2017

**Proposal for diversion of 2.00 ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act-1980 for construction of Arm Out Post at Katezari, Tal. Dhanora, Dist. Gadchiroli**

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

- 1) The proposal is for diversion of 2.00 ha. Reserve forest land for construction of Arm Out Post at Katezari, Tal. Dhanora, Dist. Gadchiroli. The details of the forest land proposed for diversion are as under :-

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The proposal has been initiated by Superintendent of Police, Gadchiroli for seeking approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal for diversion of 2.00 ha. consists of the requirement of forest land for construction of Parade Ground, PSO Quarters, Police men quarters, Staff quarters, Administrative building, Porch, Vehicle parking shed, Road and Open space. The Gadchiroli unit of Maharashtra Police has explored all other possible alternatives to find a suitable land required for construction of Arm Out Post at Katezari, Tal. Dhanora Dist. Gadchiroli and the forest land required is the barest minimum.

- 2) Superintendent of Police, Gadchiroli has informed that the Arm Out Post at Patagudam is essential to prevent and stop naxal activities and also to maintain law and order. The proposed forest land to be used by Police Department of Government of Maharashtra is for public interest. It will also help in protection of forests to illicit cutting and transport.

- 3) The Collector, Gadchiroli and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli Forest Division, Gadchiroli have certified that that no suitable alternate land is available and the forest land required is the barest minimum.
- 4) The area belongs to Eco-value class-III and having density of forest 0.4
- 5) There are 168 trees of various species and girth in the area proposed for diversion. Girth class wise abstract is given as under: –

Tree Girth in Cm					
31-60	61-90	91-120	121-150	Above 150	Total
1	7	35	39	86	168

- 6) The User Agency has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed for diversion.
- 7) The area involved in the project does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc as certified by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli Forest Division, Gadchiroli
- 8) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli Forest Division, Gadchiroli has certified that proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 9) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli Forest Division, Gadchiroli has certified that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.
- 10) The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli Forest Division, Gadchiroli has certified that the proposed project is beyond 10 km of the boundary of the Protected area.
- 11) No compensatory afforestation in lieu of the forest land diverted is required as the proposed project is covered under Left Wing Extremist affected districts and nature of the project is critical public utility infrastructure by Government of Department involving not more than 5.00 ha in accordance with general approval under FCA, 1980 issued vide Government of India guidelines No. 11-9/98-FC, dated 16/6/2011.
- 12) The User Agency has submitted the certificate of Collector, Gadchiroli under Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dweller's (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006 issued vide letter No. Desk-3/AK/Land-1/CR-29/Ws/243/16-17, dt.22/02/2016 in prescribed format Form-II as per Government of India guidelines dated 5/7/2013.



In view of this, the proposal is recommended for approval under section 2 (ii) subject the following conditions:-

- i) The legal status of the land required will remain unchanged.
- ii) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the project.
- iii) The Project Authority will defray the cost of Net Present Value of 2.00 ha, of forest land proposed for diversion.
- iv) The Project Authority will defray the additional/revised cost of Net Present Value of forest land as per the latest guidelines of Government of India.
- v) The User Agency will defray the cost of removal of 168 trees in the proposed area. However, minimum number of trees will be felled.
- vi) The proposed diversion of forest land for the project will be confined to 2.00 ha only.
- vi) All other conditions as may be mandatory under relevant Acts, Rules and guidelines shall be complied with by the user agency.

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force)  
Maharashtra State, Nagpur

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Sub:- Proposal is for diversion of 2.00 ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act-1980 for construction of Arm Out Post at Katezari, Tal. Dhanora, Dist. Gadchiroli.

No. : Desk-17/NC/I/I.D- / 1664 /17-18  
Nagpur - 440 001, dated : 07/10/2017

To,

The Secretary (Forests),  
Revenue and Forests Department,  
Mantralaya,  
Mumbai- 400032

Superintendent of Police, Gadchiroli has submitted the proposal for approval of 2.00 ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act-1980 for construction of Arm Out Post at Katezari, Tal. Dhanora, Dist. Gadchiroli. The details of forest land proposed for diversion is as given below: -

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2) Following documents as prescribed in Government Circular, Revenue and Forest Department No.FLD-1081/2041/(A)/F-3, dated 20/03/1982 and according to Government of India's instructions issued from time to time are enclosed in three copies.

- (1) Prescribed form dated 10/01/2003.
- (2) Area Statement.
- (3) Index map on suitable scale.
- (4) There is no violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, certificate.
- (5) User Agency has given an undertaking of NPV.
- (6) Brief note of the project by the User Agency
- (7) The proposed project area is beyond 10 km. from Protected Area.

- 3) The Government of India has accorded general approval under section -2 of forest (Conservation) Act 1980 vide letter no. F.No.11-9/98-FC, dt.13/05/2011 for the diversion of not more than five ha. forest land in case of Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts for thirteen activities. The instant proposal for construction of Arm Out Post is covered under activities mentioned at Sr. No.12 of the Ministry's letter dated 13/05/2011. The Gadchiroli district of Maharashtra State, is one of the Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts which has been included in the list of sixty districts indentified by the Government of India.

In view of this, the proposal is recommended for approval under section 2 (ii) subject to the following conditions.

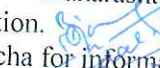
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- vi) All other conditions as may be mandatory under relevant Acts, Rules and guidelines shall be complied with by the user agency.

It is, therefore, requested that in view of the general approval accorded by Government of India vide letter dt.13/5/2011 to certain specified activities in LWE districts, the Government of Maharashtra may kindly be moved for diverting 2.00 ha. forest land for construction of Arm Out Post at Katezari, Tal. Dhanora, Dist. Gadchiroli, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act-1980.

Encl. :- Proposal 3 copies

  
Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
& Nodal Officer,  
Maharashtra State, Nagpur.

Copy to Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli for information.  
Copy to Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sironcha Division, Sironcha for information.  
Copy to Supdt. of Police, Gadchiroli for information.

  
ACF No. 11-9/98-FC  
04/10/2017