

PART -IV

(to be filled by the Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or Head of Forest Department)

17	Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with remarks, (While giving opinion, the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon)	Specific recommendation of Principle Chief Conservator of forest (Head of forest force), Maharashtra State, Nagpur attached herewith on page no. 58 A to C
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Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
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Proposal for diversion of 4.99 ha. Zudpi Jungle Forest Land under Forest (Conservation) Act-1980 for construction of Vocational Bamboo Research & Training Centre at Chichpalli, Tal & Dist. Chichpalli.

Specific Recommendation 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 for diversion of 4.99 ha. Zudpi Jungle Forest land at Chichpalli in Survey No.6/1 of Chichpalli Range in Chandrapur Forest Division has been initiated by Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur for establishment of Vocational Bamboo Research & Training Center for skill development and self employment of local tribal & burad community. The Project has been approved by Government of Maharashtra, vide letter No.EST-2013/C.R.64/Part-2/F-9, dt.4/12/2014. The User Agency is Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur Division, Chandrapur.

As non forest land is not available for establishment of Vocational Bamboo Research & Training Centre near Chichapalli, Dist. Chandrapur, therefore forest land has been selected in consultation with Revenue Department, since the Zudpi Jungle land involved is under the control of Revenue Department. The selected site is near Chandrapur city having developed infrastructural facilities, like road, water, electricity etc. The longitude & latitude of project is A 20:00:13.185 & 79:28.44:147 B 20:00:07.680 & 79:28:44.150 C 20:00:07.57.4 & 79:28:43.297 D 20:00:03.950 & 79:28:43.570 E 20:00:03.428 & 79:28:39.033 F 19:59:59.369 & 79:28:38.672 G 19:59:58.668 & 79:28:33.317 H 20:00:01.836 & 79:28:39.165 I 20:00:07.765 & 79:28:38.787 respectively.

Skill development of local tribals, burads & other artisans through vocational training in bamboo articles, handicrafts, furniture making etc. will increase employment potential in the area. Besides this technical, field & ministerial staff will be appointed for smooth running of the institute.

- 2) Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur Division is of the opinion that no suitable alternate non forest land is available other than the proposed forest area of 4.99 ha. of Tal. Chandrapur Dist. Chandrapur which is the barest minimum.
- 3) Density of forest is below 0.4 (open forest).
- 4) There are 460 trees in the area proposed for the project in Chandrapur Division. Girth class wise abstract is given as under :-

16/30 cm	31/45 cm	46/60 cm	61/75 cm	76/90 cm	91/105 cm	106/120 cm	121/135 cm	136/150 cm	Above 150 cm	Total
0	1	15	85	116	91	78	36	20	18	460

- 5) Undertaking of project authority to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed for diversion is yet to be received.
- 6) Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur has certified that the area is not involved in National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 7) Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur has certified that the area involved is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 8) Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur has certified that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.
- 9) Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur has certified that the proposed project is within 10 km distance from the boundary of Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve.
- 10) Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur has not submitted the resolution under Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dweller's (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 duly approved by the District Collector.
- 11) Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur, and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Chandrapur have recommended to approve the proposal.
- 12) Collector, Chandrapur has certified that every possibility of finding out suitable non-forest land for the purpose of Vocational Bamboo Research & Training Center at Chichpalli of Chandrapur District has been tried and no suitable non-forest land is available for the purpose.
- 13) Chandrapur has been declared as Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected district vide Ministry of Environment & Forest, Circular No. F. No.11-9/98-FC, dt. 17/5/2013. State Government has been delegated power to divert forest area upto 5.00 ha in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts subject to certain conditions vide Ministry of Environment & Forest, Circular No. F. No.11-9/98-FC, dt. 13/5/2011. As this proposal is for Vocational Training Center and is to be implemented by Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur Division, Chandrapur, the State Government is empowered to approve the proposal subject to the conditions mentioned in Ministry of Environment & Forest Circular No. F.No.11-9/98-FC, dt.13/5/2011.

- 14) No Compensatory Afforestation is required to be taken in the light of Ministry of Environment and Forests guidelines (F. No.11-9/98-FC, dt. 16/6/2011).

In view of this, the proposal is recommended for approval under section - 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subjects to the following conditions-

- i) The legal status of the land required will remain unchanged.
- ii) The Project Authority will defray the cost of Net Present Value of 4.99 ha, of forest land as per the latest Guideline of Government of India.
- iii) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the project.
- iv) The proposed diversion of forest land for the project will be confined to 4.99 ha. only.
- v) As the project area is within 8.75 km of the boundary of Protected Area (Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve boundary), the user agency will have to seek the permission of Hon'ble National Green Tribunal with respect to order dated 13/1/2014 in application No. 135 (THC)/2013 [Shobhatai Phadanvis Vs State of Maharashtra] before grant of work permission or diversion by the State Government.
- vi) It will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the laborers/staff engaged in other activity do not damage surrounding forest flora and fauna.
- vii) The User Agency will defray the cost of felling/removal of required trees. However minimum number of trees will be felled, and the number of trees to be felled should not be more than 50 trees/per hectare.
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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
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Sub:- Forest land- Chandrapur.

Diversion of 4.99 ha. of Zudpi Jungle Forest land for
Vocational Bamboo Research & Training Center at
Chichpalli in Chandrapur District.

No. : Desk-17/NC/I/I.D- 12383/ 466 /15-16

Nagpur - 440 001, Dated : 12/06/2015

To,

The Secretary (Forests),
Revenue & Forest Department,
Mantralay, Mumbai-400032.

Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur Forest Division Chandrapur has submitted proposal for diversion of 4.99 ha. of Zudpi Jungle Forest land for Vocational Bamboo Research & Training Center at Chichpalli in Chandrapur District. The location of proposed area is as given below -

Chandrapur Forest Division				
District	Village	Survey No./Gut No.	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
Chandrapur	Chichpalli	6/1	4.99	Zudpi Jungle
Total Forest Area			4.99	

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

- 1) Prescribed form dated 10/01/2003.
- 2) Certificate regarding minimum demand of forest land for the project.
- 3) Area Statement.
- 4) Index map in suitable scale.
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It is therefore requested that the Government of Maharashtra may kindly be moved for diversion of 4.99 ha. of Zudpi Jungle Forest land for Vocational Bamboo Research & Training Center at Chichpalli in Chandrapur District under section 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Encl. :- Proposal 2 copies

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12.06.2015

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