

Re-diversion proposals and additional area for tunnel portion

Rc.No.1103/2019/A4

Dated: 20-01-2023

Sir,

Sub: Forest Department – Doubling railway line between Guntur and Guntakal stations – Diversion of forest land in Nandyal and Giddalur divisions in favour of Dy.Chief Engineer, Construction-IV, SC Railway, Guntur – Change of project area 29.26 ha. to 32.25 ha. and re-diversion proposals are submitted – Requested – Reg.

- Ref: 1) Govt.Memo No.2533/Section-II/2021/(1596914) EFS&T (Section-II) Dt. 08-06-2022
2) PCCF, AP, Guntur Rc.No.EFS02-15022/8/2018 FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1 Dt. 21-06-2022
3) C.F. Kurnool Rc.No.3064/2019/TO, Dt. 24-06-2022
4) DFO, Nandyal Rc.No.1103/2019/A4, Dt. 28-06-2022
5) Dy.Chief Engineer, Construction-IV, SC Railway, Secunderabad Lr.No.DMT-NDL/DL/Forest LA Dt. 13-07-2022
6) DFO, Nandyal Rc.No.1103/2019/A4, Dt. 20-07-2022
7) PCCF, AP, Guntur Rc.No.EFS02-15022/8/2018 FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1 Dt. 01-09-2022
8) Dy.Chief Engineer, Construction-IV, SC Railway, Guntur Lr.No.DMT-NDL/DL/Forest LA Dt. 14-12-2022

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Adverting to the reference 2nd cited, it is submitted that the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force & Chief Wildlife Warden, AP, Guntur has requested to submit the additional information as sought by the Government of India MoEF&CC IRO, Vijayawada in F.No.4-APC145/022VIJ/378 Dt. 31-05-2022 communicated by the Government regarding diversion of 29.26 ha. of forest land in Nandyal and Giddalur division for doubling of railway line between Guntur-Guntakal stations as the following omissions are observed.

- a) Though the UA got approval for diversion of 132.31 ha. in the year 1994, the committee opined that the purpose for which diverted during earlier approval and its scope varies under the instant proposal. Hence committee opined that the User Agency shall include the area proposed to be utilized (in the portion of the area falling in the 132.31 ha.) for the doubling of railway line and seek approval for re-diversion / change in land use for such area and applicable NPV / CA required to be provided as the case may be.

- b) As per the existing rules / guidelines such kind of breakup of forest area for non-forest use i.e., making tunnel is not exempted from obtaining approval under FCA, 1980. Hence, the User Agency shall include the portion of forest area required for making tunnel in the instant proposal and applicable NPV / CA shall be made available, as the case may be.

Further it is submitted that IRO, Vijayawada has instructed to follow the recommendation of the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) and the subject proposals were returned for taking further action in the reference 1st cited.

Further it is submitted that in the reference 3rd cited, the Conservator of Forests, Kurnool Circle, Kurnool has requested to submit additional information by the user agency under proper acknowledgement to attend the observations made and communicated by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) and IRO, Vijayawada.

Further it is submitted that in the reference 4th cited, a letter was addressed to the user agency to submit additional information regarding diversion of 29.26 ha. and change of project area to 32.25 ha. of forest land in Nandyal and Giddalur divisions for doubling railway line as sought by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) and IRO, Vijayawada. Accordingly, the user agency has submitted that additional information i.e., DGPS survey was conducted for the existing railway land (which is diverted in earlier reference G.O) and also tunnel portion of proposed alignment. The DGPS survey maps along with raw data were submitted for authentication in the reference 4th cited to Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, AP, Guntur.

Further it is submitted that the same DGPS survey maps along with raw data were submitted to the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, AP, Guntur for authentication as submitted by the user agency in the reference 5th cited.

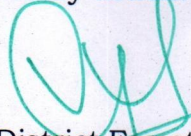
In view of the above, it is submitted that the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, AP, Guntur has forwarded the authenticated maps for the additional forest land required for tunnel portion and existing land (already diverted) for re-diversion in the reference 7th cited.

In this connection, it is submitted that:-

- i. Re-diversion proposal for an area of 15.62 ha. as submitted by user agency in additional information vide reference 8th cited in PARIVESH portal.
- ii. Change of project area of 29.36 ha. to 32.25 ha. incorporating the additional tunnel area of diversion of tunnel portion (1.5 ha. Nandyal division) are submitted along with necessary documents and same are uploaded in PARIVESH portal.

This is submitted for favour of information and necessary action.

Encl: As above


District Forest Officer,
Nandyal.

20/01/2023

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

Rc.no.3064/2019/TO,
Dated:12.01.2023

Office of the Conservator of Forests & Field Director,
Project Tiger Circle, Srisaillam.

**Sri Y.Srinivasa Reddy, IFS.,
Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director**

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Sub: AP-Forest Department - Doubling railway line between Guntur and Guntakal stations- Diversion of forest land in Nandyal and Giddalur Divisions in favour of Deputy Chief Engineer, Constructions-IV, South Central Railway- Change of the project area from 29.26ha to 32.25ha- - Compensatory Afforestation (CA) Scheme submitted by the District Forest Officer, Nandyal -Administration approval requested- accorded- Reg.

Ref: 1.Prl.CCF,AP,Guntur, Rc.no.EFS02-15022/8/2018-FCA,dt.04.11.2022.
2. DFO, Nandyal, Rc.no.3036/2021-A4, Dt: 12.01.2023.

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Personal attention of the District Forest Officer, Nandyal is invited to the references cited.

It is informed that, the District Forest Officer, Nandyal has submitted the revised Scheme proposals for the CA area identified in degraded forest land in compt.no.124 of Gani RF, Thammarajupalli Beat (Bit-I) and Compt.No.140 &141 Panyam RF, Kandedu Beat (Bit-II), erstwhile Kurnool Range of Kurnool Division and presently tagged on to Nandyal Division and change of diversion of forest area from 29.26 ha. to 32.25 ha (including tunnel area) for the subject project and accordingly change of CA area from 58.52 ha. to 65.52 ha. is hereby approved for Rs.881.838 Lakhs on the responsibility of the District Forest Officer, Nandyal.

The District Forest Officer, Nandyal is requested to take further necessary action as per the instructions issued by the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests and Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur and GOI guidelines issued from time to time and upload the CA scheme details in PARIVESH web portal and report compliance.

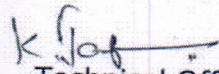
Sd/-Y.Srinivasa Reddy,
Chief Conservator of Forests & Field Director (FAC)
Project Tiger Circle, Srisaillam.

To
The District Forest Officer, Nandyal.

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Copy to the District Forest Officer, Kurnool for information and necessary action (w/e).

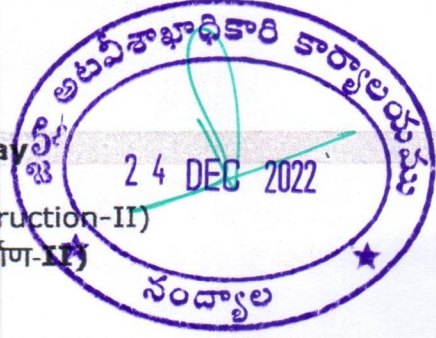
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Technical Officer



South Central Railway

Office of the
Deputy Chief Engineer (Construction-II)
उपमुख्यइंजीनियरकार्यालय (निर्माण-II)



No.DMT-NDL/DL/Forest L A

Dated:14.12.2022

From

Sri N B Surya Prakash, IRSE,
Dy. Chief Engineer/Constn/II,
South Central Railway,
Guntur

To

The District Forest Officer,
Nandyal
Email: dfowlndandyal@gmail.com

Sir,

Sub:- Doubling Railway line between Guntur and Guntakal Stations - Diversion of forest land in Nandyal and Giddalur divisions in favour of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction-II, South central railway, Guntur -Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972- Revised Wildlife clearance proposals - Submitted - Reg.

Ref:-

1. Energy & Forests (For.I) Department G.O. Ms.No.174, dated. 24.8.1994
2. IGF (Central), IRO, MoEF & CC, Vijayawada F.No. 4-APC/145/2022-VIJ/378, Dt. 31.05.2022.
3. Govt. Memo no. 214/Sec.II/2022/1644366 EFS &T Depat., dated 07.07.2022
4. PCCF & HoFF, AP Guntur Rc.no. EFS02-15022/8/2018-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1 dated 01.09.2022

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Attention is invited to the subject and references cited.

It is informed that in the reference cited, the Inspector General of Forests (Central) has requested to furnish following additional information along with documents as sought by Regional Empowered committee meeting held on 30.05.2022.

The Regional Empowered Committee opined that the User Agency shall include the area proposed to be utilized for railway line and seek approval for re-diversion / change in land use for such area which is got approval in the reference 1st cited.

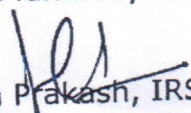
Accordingly, the DGPS survey has been conducted and authenticated from the office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, AP Guntur in the reference 2nd cited. The Re-Diversion area is arrived as 20.82 Ha (5.20 Ha in Prakasam District and 15.62 Ha in Nandyal district). The authenticated maps is enclosed herewith.

Further, it is to submit that, additional information as sought by the REC, the additional forest area i.e, tunnel portion & re-diversion area, authenticated maps, KML files and other required documents are uploaded in Parvesh web portal. The six (6) sets physical copies are enclosed for onward submission to REC for issuing Stage -I clearance.

It may kindly be noted that the subject proposal is under review by the PMG **Pragati Projects and of National Importance**. Hence it is requested to issue Stage-I Forest clearance for further necessary action.

Early action is solicited.

Yours faithfully


(N B Surya Prakash, IRSE)
Dy.Chief Engineer/Constn-II
S.C.Railway, Guntur.

Copy to the Nodal Officer (FCA Wing), O/o Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, AP Guntur for information and necessary action (fcact1980ap@gmail.com).

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Govt. of A.P. Forest Dept.

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From
Sri M. Sultan Mohiuddin, IFS.,
Conservator of Forests,
Kurnool circle, Kurnool.

To
The Prl. Chief Conservator
of Forests,
A.P., Hyderabad.

Re. No. 14134/92-M.5, dated 4-4-1994.

Sub:- F.D. - Proposals for diversion of forest
land for non-forest use for laying B.G.
Railway line in connection with the con-
version of meter gauge to Broad gauge -
Railway track between Giddalur and Bronnachalam
stations - reg.

Ref:- 1) Prl.CCF's Re.No.51369/92-F.3, dt. 16.9.93.
2) Prl.CCF. Re.No.51369/93-F.3, dated 1.3.94.
3) This office Re.No.14134/92-M.5, dated 22.10.93.

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Kind attention of the Prl. Chief Conservator of
Forests is invited to the references first and second cited.
As the proposals of diversion of forest land for gauge
conversion in Kurnool, Mandyal and Giddalur forest division,
The Chief Conservator of Forests (P) O of the Prl. Chief
Conservator of Forests A.P., Hyderabad telephoned on 2.4.1994
and directed the Conservator of Forests Kurnool to send the
latest position on the action taken on the proposals for
diversion of forest land to railways. The following is my
report on the latest position of the above proposals.

2, The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests vide
reference 1st cited forwarded the proposals of the Railways
for acquisition of forest areas for conversion of Meter gauge
to Broad gauge line between Bronnachalam-Mandyal and Mandyal-Giddalur.
The Divl. Forest Officers were directed vide reference 3rd cited
immediately to examine the proposals and submit the information
in statutory proformas. As per the proposals given by the
railways, the areas required by the railways is as follows:

(P.T.O)

S.No.	Forest Division.	Forest Range	Survey No.	Extent of Forest Land required (in hectares)
1)	Bandyal	Chelana	1) Bandyal R.F. 11) Sirvel R.F.	94.8294 5.3630 15.7750
2)	Gidderpur	Gundara	1) Ujjalwada R.F.	19.301
3)	Kurnool	Panyas	1) Panyas R.F.	135.2684 ha
Total area of forest land required.				

The statutory provisions required under forest ^{Conservation} ~~Conservation~~ act could not be finalised as the Railways could not furnish the following information.

- 1) Compensatory Afforestation not identified.
- 2) Revision of the areas required by the Railways due to modification in alignment of Railway line.
- 3) Delay in conservation of the areas required and enumeration of the tree growth as required.

A meeting of the Railway officials 1) Sri Mohanlal, Deputy Chief Engineer, Gauge Conversion, Bandyal. 2) Sri P.K. Gupta, Divisional Engineer Gauge Conversion, Bandyal, 3) Sri C.A.A. Murthy, Regional Manager, INCON, Bandyal and forest officials i.e. conservator of Forests Kurnool, Divl. Forest Officer, Bandyal Divl. Forest Officer Kurnool and Incharge Divl. Forest Officer Gidderpur was conducted on 4-4-1994 at Kurnool. During the discussions the railway officials stated that there was slight revision in the requirement of areas which is as follows:

Part of the
District

Name of the
division/area.

Forest area required

Original
requirement
(in ha.)

Revised
requirement.
(in ha.)

Kurnool

Kurnool

Yanyam R.F.

19.301

12.301

Bandyal

Bandyal R.F.

79.6994

77.8554

Bandyal Extn. R.F.

15.1300

16.9700

Sirvel R.F.

5.3630

6.0380

100.1924

100.8634

Prakasam

Giddalur.

Uppalaunda R.F.

15.7750

11.0750

Grand total:

135.2694

131.2295

131-2294

The railway officials informed that statutory provision proposals in full shape could not be furnished to the Div. Forest Officers due to the following reasons.

- Delay in finalisation of Compensatory areas.
- Identification and enumeration of tree growth involved in the areas required.
- Revision of requirement of forest areas.

The railway officials present informed the following important statutory requirements of the provisions of the Forest (conservation) Act 1980 have been finalised recently.

- 1) Selection of the compensatory Afforestation areas:-

The railways informed that they had identified and finalised 135.17 ha. of compensatory afforestation areas in Prakasam District falling in the jurisdiction of Giddalur division. The incharge Div. Forest Officer Giddalur also stated that he has inspected the areas on 28.2.1994 and the areas were found suitable for compensatory afforestation.

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The railway officials have also stated that they have placed the requisition for acquiring the above area with Revenue Department of Annapurna District on 8-3-1994.

2) Compensatory afforestation scheme:-

The Divl. Forest Officer Giddalur has stated that compensatory afforestation area was recently finalized and he would be furnishing the scheme by 15-4-1994.

3) Enumeration of tree growth in the forest areas involved:-

The Divl. Forest Officer Giddalur has already enumerated the tree growth involved in his area. In Hanayal Division due to revision of the area by the railways the enumeration is to be redone in some patches and the Divl. Forest Officer Hanayal will be completing the same by 15.4.94. In Kurnool Division the area involved is only of scrub growth and is expected only of insect fuel wood. The Divl. Forest Officer Kurnool also furnishing the information about the yield particulars by 15.4.94.

The railway officials state that in view of the finalisation of the compensatory afforestation areas and revised requirement of the area due to certain modification in the alignment of line they would be furnishing the statutory proforma along with other required information by 20.4.1994.

3) A meeting is also being held again with the Railway officials and the Divl. Forest officers concerned on 21.4.1994 for scrutiny of the proposals ⁱⁿ full shape and submission to Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests. The proposals in final shape will be submitted to Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests by 25.4.1994.

A copy of minutes of meeting held with the officials of Railways held at Kurnool on 4-4-1994 is enclosed.

Encl: 1.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- Sultan Mohiuddin,
Conservator of Forests,
Kurnool circle, Kurnool.

Copy submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forests (Production)
O/o of the Prl. CCF 'A.R. Hyderabad for information.
Copy to the Conservator of Forests Guntur for information.
Copy to the Divl. Forest Officers Hanayal, Kurnool and Giddalur for
information.

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Manager.

Minutes of discussion on forest areas required for Railway Broad Gauge Conversion of Mysore-Nandyal and Nandyal-Espurametta Railway lines held in the Chambers of Conservator of Forests, Kurnool on 4-4-1994.

The following officers attended the meeting.

Forest Department

- 1) Sri M. Sultan Mohiuddin, IFS.,
Conservator of Forests,
Kurnool.
- 2) Sri Ajay Kumar Naick, IFS.,
Divisional Forest Officer,
Nandyal.
- 3) Sri C. Sudhakara Rao, B.Sc.,
Divisional Forest Officer,
Kurnool.
- 4) Sri Ch. Shyam Sundaram, B.Sc.,
Divisional Forest Officer,
Logging Divn. Chidambur and 1/c
Divl. Forest Officer, Chidambur.

Railway Department

- 1) Sri M. Hanlal,
Deputy Chief Engineer,
Gauge Conversion,
Nandyal.
- 2) Sri F. K. Gupta,
Divisional Engineer,
Gauge Conversion
Nandyal.
- 3) Sri C. R. K. Murthy,
Regional Manager, IRCON
Nandyal.

The work connected with the progress of submission of statutory proformas proposals on the requirement of forest areas for Broad Gauge Conversion as per the provisions of Forest Conservation Act was discussed.

Name of the District.	Name of the Division/R.F.	Forest area required	
		Original requirement in Ha.	Revised requirement in ha.
Kurnool	Kurnool	19.301	19.301 ✓
	Panyam R.F.		
	Nandyal		77.8454 ✓
	Nandyal RF	79.6994	16.9700 ✓
	Nandyal Extn. RF	15.1300	6.6380 ✓
	Sirvel R.F.	5.3630	
		100.1924	100.8524 ✓
Erakasam	Chidambur		11.0750 ✓
	Vyyalawada RF	15.7750	
	Original Total:	135.2604	131.2234 ✓

The railway officials cannot inform that the statutory proposals in full shape could not be furnished to the Forest Department due to the following reasons.

- 1) Delay in finalisation of compensatory afforestation areas.
- 2) Demarcation and enumeration of tree growth involved in the areas required.
- 3) Due to revision of requirement of Forest areas.

Selection of Compensatory Afforestation Areas:-

The Railway officials informed that they had finalised compensatory afforestation areas in Prakasam District. The areas are located in Komarole Mandal of Markapur Revenue Division. The areas fall in territorial jurisdiction of Giddalur Forest Division. The Railway have identified 334 Acres (135.17 Ha). The areas identified are located in the following villages.

- 1) 200 Acres in Idamakallu village S.No. 1024/1 abutting Veligonda West R.F.
- 2) 134 Acres in Komarole village S.No.1534 abutting Veligonda South Extension R.F.

The Railway officials and Divisional Forest Officer, Giddalur have stated that they had joint inspection of the above areas with Revenue Divl. Officer, Markapur and Mandal Revenue Officer, Komarole on 28-2-1994. The Divisional Forest Officer, Giddalur stated that he found the areas suitable for compensatory afforestation area. As the area was found suitable the railway authorities placed requisition with the Revenue authorities for acquiring the area on 8-3-1994. The matter is now pending with the Revenue authorities of Prakasam District. The railway officials stated that the area acquired is Government land and there should not be any difficulty in acquiring this land for allotment to the Forest Department. They stated that the acquisition of this land would be completed within a month's time.

Compensatory Afforestation Scheme :

The Divisional Forest Officer, Giddalur stated that he has already initiated writing of the Compensatory Afforestation Scheme and he is going to finalise the same by 15-4-1994.

Enumeration of tree growth in the forest areas involved:

- 1) Nandyal Division:- The Divisional Forest Officer, Nandyal stated that he has completed the work of enumeration

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- v) Rail fittings and sleepers should be removed from the abandoned alignment.
- vi) All the buildings in the forest area along the old alignment should be handed over to the forest department.
- vii) The forest land along the old alignment should revert back to the Forest department. The non-forest land in the Sanctuary area should also revert back to the Forest Department.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. RAY
PRIVY SECRETARY TO GOVT.

To
The Prl, Chief Conservator of Forests
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The General Manager, South Central
Railway, Secunderabad.

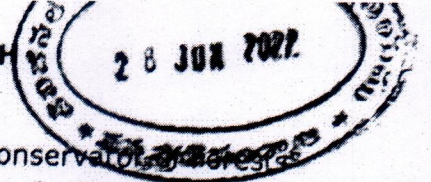
Copy to Government of India,
Ministry of Environment & Forests
Paryavaran Bhavan, CGO. Complex,
Lothi Road, New Delhi-110003.
" Divisional Forest Officer,
" Mandyal.
" ✓ Conservator of Forests, Kurnool.
" SF/SC.

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Section Officer

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT



Ref.no.EFS02-15022/8/2018-
FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1,
Dated: 21.06.2022.

Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests
& Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh,
Guntur - 522004.

**Sri N.Prateep Kumar, IFS.,
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &
Head of Forest Force**

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Sub:- FD - F (C) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 29.26 ha of forest land in Nandyal WL and Giddalur Divisions in favour of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction-IV, South Central Railway, Secunderabad for doubling of railway line between Guntur and Guntakal stations - Additional information requested by GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada - Reg.

Ref:- Govt.Memo.no.2533/Section.II/2021/(1596914), EFS&T
(Sec.II), Dept., dt.08.06.2022.

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A copy of the reference cited together with its enclosure is sent herewith.

The Chief Conservators of Forests/Conservators of Forests, Guntur Circle, Guntur and Kurnool Circle, Kurnool are requested to go through the reference cited and submit the additional information as sought by GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada in F.no.4-APC145/2022-VIJ/378, dt.31.05.2022 communicated by the Government in the reference cited, for taking further action on the subject proposal.

Encl:- As above.

Sd/- A.K.Jha

For Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &
Head of Forest Force

To
The Chief Conservators of Forests/Conservators of Forests, Guntur Circle, Guntur and Kurnool Circle, Kurnool.

✓ Copy to the Divisional Forest Officers, Nandyal WL and Guddalur for information and necessary action.

Copy with enclosures submitted to the Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force & Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden (FAC), O/o the PCCF & HoFF, A.P, Guntur for information and pursue with GoI, **MoEF&CC (WL Division), New Delhi for getting approval of the SC-NBWL for the subject project.**

Copy to the Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction IV, South Central Railway, Secunderabad for information and necessary action.

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Superintendent 21/6/22

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sec.II) DEPARTMENT

Memo.No.2533/Section. II/2021/(15969)4)

Dated:08.06.2022

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- Ref: 1) From the PCCF&HoFF, A.P., Lr. Ref. No. EFS02-15022/8/2018-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, Dated: 13.12.2021.
2) State Govt.Lr.No.2533/Sec.II/2021, EFS&T(Sec.II) Dept., dt.04.02.2022.
3) From the IGF(Central), GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada, Lr.F.No.4-APC145/2021-VIJ/74, dt.28.02.2022 and even no.dt.05.04.2022.
4) From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15022/8/2018-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, Dated: 11.04.2022 and even no.dt.22.04.2022.
5) State Govt.Lr.No.2533/Sec.II/2021, EFS&T(Sec.II) Dept., dt.02.05.2022.
6) From the IGF(Central), GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada, Lr.F.No.4-APC145/2022-VIJ/378, dt.31.05.2022

The attention of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur is invited to the reference 6th cited (copy enclosed), wherein it has been informed that that the subject proposal was considered by the REC, IRO Vijayawada in its 5th meeting held on 30.05.2022 and the Committee examined and deliberated on the facts put forth and note the following:

- a. Though the UA got approval for diversion of 132.31 ha in the year 1994, the committee opined that the purpose for which diverted during earlier approval and its scope varies under the instant proposal. Hence committee opined that the User Agency shall include the area proposed to be utilized (in the portion of the area falling in the 132.31 ha) of the doubling of railway line and seek approval for re-diversion / change in land use of such area and applicable NPV / CA required to be provided as the case may be;
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2. Further, it has been informed that after detailed deliberation, the Committee decided to return the proposal with a request to examine the proposal on the above mentioned observations and the Ministry's guidelines No 37/2016FC(p)LWF.No.17-12/2016-FC dated 10.03.2022 and to resubmit the proposal including all such forest area which requires prior approval under FCA, 1980 for formation of double line and also to submit the approval of SCNBWL for further consideration of the proposal. In view of the recommendation of the Regional Empowered Committee (REC), the subject proposal is RETURNED.

P.T.O

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3. The IGF(Central), GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO has requested that the State Government may look in to the matter, verify & examine the proposal as per the observation made by the Committee and Ministry's guidelines No 37/2016FC(p)LWF.N017-12/2016-FC dated 10.03.2022.

4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, is, therefore requested to examine the proposal on the above mentioned observations and the Ministry's guidelines No 37/2016FC(p)LWF.N017-12/2016-FC dated 10.03.2022 and to resubmit the subject proposal and also to submit the approval of SCNBWL for further consideration of the proposal.

P.PHALA CHANDRA RAO
JOINT SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

Copy to:

The Deputy Chief Engineer,
Construction-IV, South Central Railway,
Secunderabad, Telangana - 500071.

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F.No. 4-APC145/2022-VIJ/378

Date 31st May, 2022

To,

The Spl. Chief Secretary to the Government of Andhra Pradesh,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Room No.268, 1st Floor, 4th Block,
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati Guntur District-522503

Subject: Diversion of 29.26 Ha of forest land in Nandyal WL and Giddalur division in favour of the deputy Chief Engineer, Construction-IV, South Central Railway, Secunderbad for doubling railway line between Guntur and Guntakal stations-reg

Reference: The State Government letters No 2533/Section .II/2021/ (1596914) dated 04.02.2022 and 2533/Section. II/2021/(1596914) dated 02.05.2022 and online application No.FP/AP/RAIL/147706/2021

Sir,

With reference to the subject and reference cited above, it is to inform that the subject proposal was considered by the REC, IRO Vijayawada in its 5th meeting held on 30.05.2022 and the Committee examined and deliberated on the facts put forth and noted the following;

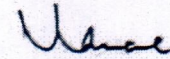
- Though the UA got approval for diversion of 132.31 ha in the year 1994, the committee opined that the purpose for which diverted during earlier approval and its scope varies under the instant proposal. Hence committee opined that the User Agency shall include the area proposed to be utilized (in the portion of the area falling in the 132.31 ha) for the doubling of railway line and seek approval for re-diversion / change in land use for such area and applicable NPV / CA required to be provided as the case may be;
- As per the existing rules / guidelines such kind of breakup of forest area for non-forest use i.e., is making tunnel is not exempted from obtaining approval under FCA, 1980. Hence, the User Agency shall include the portion of forest area required for making tunnel in the instant proposal and applicable NPV / CA shall be made available, as the case may be;

After detailed deliberation, the committee decided to return the proposal to the State Government with a request to examine the proposal on the above mentioned observations and the Ministry's guidelines No 37/2016FC(p)LWF.N017-12/2016-FC dated 10.03.2022 and to resubmit the proposal including all such forest area which requires prior approval under FCA, 1980 for formation of double line and also to submit the approval of SCNBWL for further consideration of the proposal.

In view of the recommendation of the Regional Empowered Committee (REC), the subject proposal is **RETURNED** herewith. It is requested that the state Government may please look in to the matter, verify & examine the proposal as per the observation made by the committee and Ministry's guidelines No 37/2016FC(p)LWF.N017-12/2016-FC dated 10.03.2022.

As the subject proposal is under review by the higher authorities, it is requested that the State Government may please sensitize all processing authorities to consider and to process the proposal as per the time line provided in rules made under FCA, 1980

Yours faithfully,



(N.S.Murali)

Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Forests Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Aranya Bhavan, K.M. Munshi Road, Nagarampalem Guntur-522004
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Aranya Bhavan, K.M. Munshi Road, Nagarampalem, Guntur-522004
3. Indian Railway South Central Railway, Office of Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction IV, South Central Railway, Secunderabad Telangana 500071-dycec4sc@gmail.com
4. Guard file.



(N.S.Murali)

Inspector General of Forests (Central)



South Central Railway

Office of the
Deputy Chief Engineer (Construction-IV)
उपमुख्यइंजीनियरकार्यालय (निर्माण-IV)
Secunderabad-500071

No.DMT-NDL/DL/Forest L A

Dated:13.07.2022

To
The Divisional Forest Officer
WL-Nandyal .



Sir,

Sub:- Doubling Railway line between Guntur and Guntakal Stations - Diversion of forest land in Nandyal and Giddalur divisions in favour of the Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction-IV, South central railway, Secunderabad for-Forest clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980-Additional information submitted - Reg.

- Ref:-**
1. IGF (Central), IRO, MoEF & CC, Vijayawada F.No. 4-APC/145/2022-VIJ/378, Dt. 31.05.2022
 2. PCCF & HoFF, AP Guntur Rc.no.EFS02-15022/8/2018-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, Dated 21.06.2022.
 3. DFO, WL-Nandyal Rc.no. 1103/2019/A4 dated 23.06.2022
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Attention is invited to the subject and references cited.

It is informed that in the reference cited, the Inspector General of Forests (Central) has requested to furnish additional information along with documents as sought by Regional Empowered committee meeting held on .

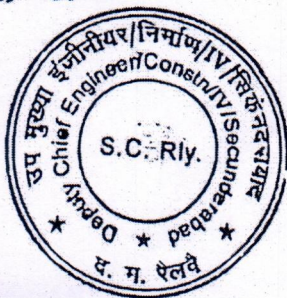
Further, in the reference 2nd and 3rd cited, the PCCF & HoFF, AP Guntur and Divisional Forest Officer has communicated the observations of the REC.

Accordingly, the additional data of DGPS survey was conducted for the existing land railway land (which is diverted in earlier) and tunnel portion of the proposed alignment.

In this connection, the additional data of DGPS surveyed raw data along with maps are enclosed herewith for onward submission to PCCF & HoFF, AP Guntur for authentication.

Early action is solicited.

Encl. as Above



Yours faithfully

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(S.APPALA RAJU, IRSE)
Dy.Chief Engineer/Constn/IV
S.C.Railway, Secunderabad.
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Deputy Chief Engineer
निर्माण/IV/सिकंदराबाद
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Statement showing the species wise, girth wise trees in re-diversion area (15.62 ha.) existing Railway track from Bogadha bridge to Gajulapalli (R.S) in Chelama Range of Nandyal division

Sl. No.	Species Name (Local Name)	Scientific name	0-30	31-45	46-60	61-90	91-120	121 above	Total
1	Aare	Bauhinia racemosa	12	7	6	2	0	0	27
2	Anduga	Boswellia serrata	4	10	5	3	1	0	23
3	Bangira Chettu	---	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
4	Banka pallu	--	3	1	2	1	0	0	7
5	Battagenupu	Mitragyna parvifolia	5	8	2	2	0	0	17
6	Bikki	Gardenia gummifera	10	9	1	0	0	0	20
7	Billudu	Chloroxylon swietinia	36	53	11	6	2	1	109
8	Bisara	---	1	11	3	2	0	0	17
9	Botika	--	1	5	0	0	0	0	6
10	Buruga	Bombax ceiba	0	1	7	3	1	1	13
11	Chennangi	lagerstroemia parviflora	21	35	4	6	4	0	70
12	Chigara	Albizia amara	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
13	Chikireni	Albizia amara	6	1	1	0	0	0	8
14	Chilakaduddi	Polalthia suberosa	5	3	0	0	0	0	8
15	Chilla	Stychnos potatorum	24	10	2				36
16	Chinduga	Albizia odoratissima	59	74	29	32	10	7	211
17	Chinta	Tamarindus indica	0	1	0	1	0	5	7
18	Chirumanu	Anogeissus latifolia	114	72	3	2	2	0	193
19	Devadaru	Erythroxylum monogynam	1	2	0	1	0	0	4
20	Dirshanam	Albizia lebeck	3	1	0	0	0	0	4
21	Gandregi	---	3	11	2	0	0	0	16
22	Gotika	Zizyphus zylopyrus	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
23	Gummadi Teak	Gmelina arborea	0	2	2	0	0	0	4
24	Gumpena	Lannea coromandelica	84	178	57	46	11	5	381
25	Ippa	Madhuca indica	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
26	Issuka rasi	--	1	4	0	0	0	0	5
27	Isukatamma	--	52	31	3	1	0	0	87
28	Jana	Grewia rotundifolia	14	11	1	1		0	27
29	Jeedi	--	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
30	Jitregi	Dalbergia latifolia	24	17	3	3	1	0	48
31	Juvi	Ficus virens	1	13	6	4	1	0	25
32	Kanuga	Pongamia pinnata	2	0	0	0	0	0	2

Sl. No.	Species Name (Local Name)	Scientific name	0-30	31-45	46-60	61-90	91-120	121 above	Total
33	Kodara	Bridelia retusa	19	25	5	4	1	0	54
34	Kodisa	Cleistanthus collinus	14	3	0	0	0	0	17
35	Kondagogu	Cochlospermum religiosum	1	3	5	2	0	0	11
36	Korivi	--	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
37	Kukkutaku	--	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
38	Maddi	Morinda citrifolia	63	66	14	4	2		149
39	Magabeera	--	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
40	Maredu	Aegle marmelos	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
41	Medi	Ficus racemosa	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
42	Mukkepa	Schrebera swietoides	0	2	2	1	0	0	5
43	Mulla Beera	--	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
44	Naguru	Premna tomentosa	5	4	1	0	0	0	10
45	Nallamaddi	Terminalia tomentosa	8	18	4	1	1	0	32
46	Narepi	Hardwickia binata	86	42	14	10	10	1	163
47	Neeruddi	Dolichandrone crispa	3	3	0	0	0	0	6
48	Nemalinara	Holoptelea integrifolia	9	12	4	2	2	0	29
49	Pachara	Dalbergia paniculata	67	109	43	33	4	2	258
50	Palaparki	--	66	44	9	3	0	0	122
51	Pedda Bikki	Gardenia latifolia	4	6	1	1	0	0	12
52	Pedda Botika	--	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
53	Pedda Vepa	--	5	7	3	4	2	3	24
54	Peddamanu	Ailanthus excels	0	2	1	1	0	1	5
55	Peltoparum	--	9	0	0	0	0	0	9
56	Poliki	--	0	11	2	8	3	5	29
57	Puli Goru	--	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
58	Pullakaya	--	0	0	1	2	0	0	3
59	Pulugodu	Phyllanthus leucopyrus	1	2	2	0	0	0	5
60	Raagi	Eleusine coracana	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
61	Raavi	Ficus religiosa	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
62	Regi	Ziziphus mauritiana	8	4	3	0	0	0	15
63	Regu	Zizyphus jujube	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
64	Rela	Cassia fistula	27	17	6	8	2	1	61
65	Rudra Genupu	--	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
66	Sandra	Acacia catechu	526	258	62	10	1	0	857
67	Simatangedu	Senna auriculata	3	2	0	0	0	0	5
68	Somi	Soymida febrifuga	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

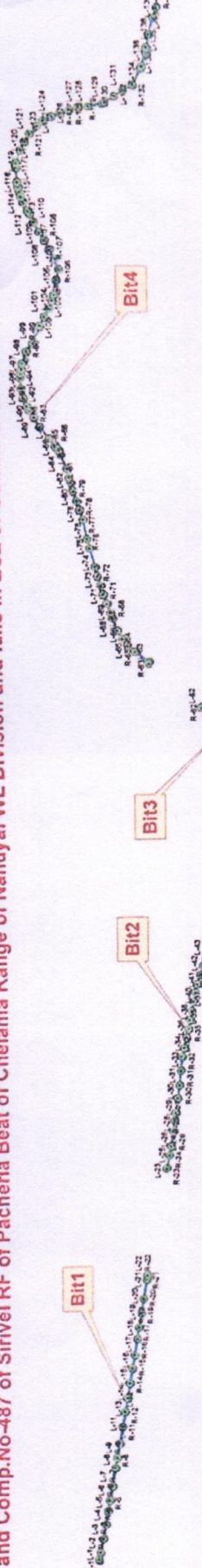
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69	Sunkesula	Peltophorum pterocarpum	1	2	1	1	0	1	6
70	Tada	Grewia tiliaefolia	46	66	10	5	3	0	130
71	Tani	Terminalia bellerica	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
72	Teak	Tectona grandis	13	14	1	0	0	0	28
73	Tella poliki	Givotia rotlariformis	0	3	0	0	1	1	5
74	Tellakula	--	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
75	Tikka biliki	--	5	7	0	0	0	0	12
76	Torri velaga	Limonia crenulata	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
77	Tumma	--	5	0	0	0	0	0	5
78	Tuniki	Diospyros melanoxylon	2	3	0	0	0	0	5
79	Turuka vepa	Melia azadirachta	1	2	0	0	0	1	4
80	Uduga	Alangium salvifolium	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
81	Usiri	Embllica officinalis	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
82	Vaddi	--	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
83	Vadisa	Cleistanthus collinus	6	6	0	0	0	0	12
84	Veduru	Dendrocalamus strictus	26	4	1	0	0	0	31
85	Vepa	Azadirachta indica	144	78	15	11	5	5	258
86	Yegisa	Pterocarpus marsupium	145	205	74	56	19	8	507
87	Yerra bikki	--	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
88	Yerra botika	--	0	1	1	0	0	0	2
89	Yerra poliki	Sterculia urens	3	3	0	1	0	0	7
Total			1826	1619	439	286	92	50	4312

Sd/-P.Eswaraiah,
Forest Range Officer,
Chelama Range.

Countersigned
District Forest Officer,
Nandyal.

Map Showing the Diverted(Existing) Forest Land for Doubling and Electrification of track between Guntur to Guntakal Stations in Comp.No-506,507,508 of Nandyal Extn I RF and Comp.No-510,511,512,519 of Nandyal RF of Basavapuram Beat and Comp.No-520,523,524,525 of Nandyal RF of Dongabavi Beat and Comp.No-487 of Sirivel RF of Pachera Beat of Chelama Range of Nandyal WL Division and falls in ESZ of Gundla Brahmeswara Wildlife Sanctuary.

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S.No	Station	Distance	Area (Ha)	Remarks
1	131	131.000	1.000	131.000
2	132	132.000	1.000	132.000
3	133	133.000	1.000	133.000
4	134	134.000	1.000	134.000
5	135	135.000	1.000	135.000
6	136	136.000	1.000	136.000
7	137	137.000	1.000	137.000
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