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Sub: Diversion of 32.2761 ha = **Revised to 33.0507 Ha** of forest land for construction of diversion weir Jackwell cum pump house, electrical substation, pipe line and power line in Kanakumbi, Chorle & Parawad villages of Khanapur Taluka in Belagavi District under Kalasa Nala Diversion scheme reg. (Proposal No. FP/KA/Water/157327/2022).

Recommendation Certificate

I have inspected the proposed site along with the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Khanapur Sub Division and staff on 19-10-2022, 15-12-2022 & 20-12-2022.

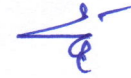
The proposed project involves diversion of 1.72 TMC of water from Kalasa Nala, Surla Nala and Haltara Nala to augment storage in Malaprabha Reservoir. Thereafter, the water will be utilized for Drinking Water supply project to Hubli-Dharwad cities, Kundagol town and other enroute villages.

The forest area proposed for the project falls in Eco-Class-I Very Dense Forest category.

I recommend the proposal for Drinking Water purpose with below conditions for the diversion of 33.0507 ha. of Forest land in Khanapur (6.1252)and Kanakumbi (26.9255) Ranges as per the provisions under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines issued thereof.

1. Forest areas proposed for the project are rich in wildlife and home to many endangered, endemic and charismatic species. Therefore the forest area of surrounding villages i.e. Amagaon, Betne, Chikale, Chigule, Chorla, Gavase, Huland, Kanakumbi, Karanjawad, Parwad, Talewadi, Golyali, Chapoli, Jamboti, Kalageri, Kalmani, Kalanayakanahatti, Kapoli (K.Chapoli), Kirawale (K.Chapoli), may be included in Bhimgad Wildlife Sanctuary in order to compensate the ecological damage due to the proposed forest diversion as per the directions of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden vide their letter dated 9th December, 2022.
2. 5% of the Project cost to be paid by the user agency for Soil and Moisture Conservation Works, wildlife habitat improvement works, Voluntary Village Rehabilitation of Bhimgad Sanctuary, Wildlife Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre, wildlife documentary, construction of new APCs, engaging staff for APCs on outsource, construction of quarters for frontline staff, purchase of new vehicles, purchase of instruments required for wildlife research, monitoring and estimation and other works required for protection, conservation and management of wildlife in Kanakumbi, Khanapur and Bhimgad WL Ranges as per the Guidelines dated 7th June, 2022 issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change .
3. User agency shall provide sufficient water and electricity supply to Forest Departments Offices, Quarters, Nursery and APCs.

4. User agency shall provide sufficient funds i.e. approximately 4 Crores INR for construction and maintenance of new forest nursery as part of the present nursery is likely to be submerged due to the implementation of this project which necessitates shifting the existing nursery.
5. User agency shall provide sufficient funds for signages, publicity/awareness programs in and around the proposed project area for sensitization of general public towards the forest, wildlife and environmental issues in consultation with jurisdictional forest officers.
6. User agency shall mitigate any Man Animal Conflict due to the implementation of this project as per the directions/guidelines which will be issued by the Central/State Government and State Forest department from time to time.



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