

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From:

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To,

The Prl. Secretary to Government,  
Environment, Forests, Science &  
Technology Department,  
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat,  
Velagapudi, Amaravathi.

Sir,

**Rc.No.EFS02-15022/5/2018/FCA-SEC/PCCF/FCA-1, Dated: 20.11.2018**

Sub: - APFD - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 4.73 Ha. of Forest Land for "Construction of Delivery Chamber, Pressure main & Gravity main pipelines" in Compt. No.182 & 183 of Katarukonda (V), Krishnagiri (M) in Kurnool District to provide drinking water and irrigation facilities to 68 tanks in the upland areas of Kurnool District on left side of HNSS main canal Phase - I- Proposals in (4) sets submitted - Reg.

Ref: - 1. Executive Engineer, M.I. Works Division, Kurnool Online Proposal No. FP/AP/IRRIG/36514/2018, Dt. 15.10.2018.  
2. PCCF's Ref.No.WFS02-15022/5/2018/FCA SEC/PCCF/FCA-1, Dt:25.10.2018.  
3. EE, MI (Works) Division, Kurnool Lr.No.EE/MI(W)/KNL/1285 Dt:27.10.2018.  
4. PCCF's Ref.No. EFS02-15022/5/2018/FCA-SEC/PCCF/FCA-1, Dated: 31.10.2018  
5. CF, Kurnool Rc.No.2660/2018-TO, Dt:15.11.2018.

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It is informed that, vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited, the Executive Engineer, M.I. Works Division, Kurnool has submitted hard copies of proposal for diversion of 4.73 Ha. of Forest Land for "Construction of Delivery Chamber, Pressure main & Gravity main pipelines" in Compt. No.182 & 183 of Katarukonda (V), Krishnagiri (M) in Kurnool District to provide drinking water and irrigation facilities to 68 tanks in the upland areas of Kurnool District on left side of HNSS main canal Phase - I by the Executive Engineer, M.I. Works Division, Kurnool.

The proposal was sent to the Divisional Forest Officer, Kurnool and Conservator of Forests, Kurnool vide this office reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited for processing as per guidelines envisaged under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and amendments thereon. Accordingly, the Conservator of Forests, Kurnool vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited has submitted the proposal duly processed under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 guidelines and amendment thereon for diversion of 4.73 Ha of forest land.

**The details of proposal are as follows:-**

**The user agency has furnished the following information in Part-I:**

- This proposal is for diversion of 4.73 Ha. of Forest Land for “Construction of Delivery Chamber, Pressure main & Gravity main pipelines” in Compt. No.182 & 183 of Katarukonda (V), Krishnagiri (M) in Kurnool District to provide drinking water and irrigation facilities to 68 tanks in the upland areas of Kurnool District on left side of HNSS main canal Phase - I.
- For locating the project in forest area, the user agency has justified that the Government of Andhra Pradesh has sanctioned administratively for Rs.224.31 Crores for providing drinking water and irrigation facilities to 68 tanks in the upland areas of Kurnool district on the left side of HNSS main canal phase-1. A part of the pressure main, gravity main pipelines and delivery cistern falls under Compt.No.182 & 183 of Katarukonda RF, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division. As the water is carried through gravity main pipelines from the delivery cistern, elevation required for maintaining the water head is very essential. The proposed forest area over an extent of 4.73 Ha. is found to be the best possible way for maintaining the required water head, without increasing the length of the pipeline.
- The area required for the project is barest minimum area and unavoidable for which it is proposed.
- The User agency has submitted that, there will be no employment likely will be generated.
- The User agency has submitted that, there will be no displacement of people due to this project.
- Purpose-wise break-up of the total land required is as follows.

Sl.No.	Purpose	Area (in Ha.)
1	Pressure main	1.325
2	Gravity main pipeline	3.3145
3	Delivery Cistern	0.09
<b>Total</b>		<b>4.73</b>

- The User agency has submitted that the clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 is not required.
- The User agency has submitted undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation in any of the degraded forest land, the user agency has given undertaking regarding NPV, additional NPV and tree extraction charges in the forest land proposed for diversion as and when the demand is raised by the Forest Department, if any.
- The user agency has submitted the certificate under RoFR Act-2006, as required under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- The user agency has submitted the authenticated DGPS surveyed map for the area proposed for diversion.

**The Divisional Forest Officer, Kurnool has furnished the information in Part-II as follows:**

- Area proposed by the user agency for diversion of 4.73 Ha. of Forest Land for “Construction of Delivery Chamber, Pressure main & Gravity main pipelines” in Compt. No.182 & 183 of Katarukonda (V), Krishnagiri (M) in Kurnool District to provide drinking water and irrigation facilities to 68 tanks in the upland areas of Kurnool District on left side of HNSS main canal Phase - I has notified under Section 16 vide G.O.No.182, Dt:30.06.1897.
- The Density of vegetation is 0.1 (Eco-Class-III).

- The Divisional Forest Officer has stated that there is no tree felling in the proposed area. However, there is 1 Cum of Fuel wood (Misc. Species) which costs upto Rs.1,123/-.
- The Divisional Forest Officer has stated that the forest area is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project.
- The Divisional Forest Officer has stated that the said forest area is not vulnerable for erosion.
- The Divisional Forest Officer has stated that the proposal does not affect any monument of Archeological and Defense Establishments importance and also does not fall in any part of Wildlife Sanctuary, National Parks, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Corridor, Elephant Corridor etc.
- The Divisional Forest Officer has stated that no rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the proposed area.
- The Divisional Forest Officer has inspected the proposed area on 04.11.2018.
- The Divisional Forest Officer has stated that no violation is occurred as per the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- The Divisional Forest Officer has stated that non forest land (CA land) over an extent of 4.78 Ha. was identified in Sy.No.378/2, Sunkesula village, Owk Mandal of Kurnool District and prepared Compensatory Afforestation Scheme with total financial outlay of Rs.43.483 Lakhs for implementation over a period of 12 years from 2019-20 to 2030-31 which includes 10 years of maintenance by following Semi Mechanical method and planting the plants in 0.45 mts cube pits in the ploughed area with forest species.
- The Divisional Forest Officer, Kurnool has recommended the proposal in Part-II.

The Conservator of Forests, Kurnool has not inspected the proposed forest area.

The Conservator of Forests, Kurnool has agreed with the information given in Part-II by the Divisional Forest Officer, Kurnool and recommended in Part-III.

The proposal has been uploaded in the Ministry's website and unique No. FP/AP/IRRIG/36514/2018, Dt. 15.10.2018 generated and the acknowledgement slip generated on the web portal is enclosed herewith.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Kurnool and Conservator of Forests, Kurnool have recommended the proposal.

In view of the above, the statutory proposal along with necessary enclosures duly recommended in Part-IV, are submitted herewith for taking necessary action in the matter.

Encl:- As above.

Yours faithfully,  
**Sd/- Dr. Mohd. Ilyas Rizvi,**  
 Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests  
 (Head of Forest Force)

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for Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests

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Proposed for diversion of 4734 kg of Block Construction of Delivery Channel, from main canal  
 gravity main pipeline in Lakshminagar of General Division for providing drinking water and  
 irrigation facilities to 68 fields in upland areas of General Division on the left side of  
 HSS main canal Phase-I.

#### PART - IV

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

- 18) Detailed opinion and specific recommendations of the State Forest Department for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with remarks (While giving opinion the adverse comments made by the concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon).

*Recommended*

*Dt: 20-11-2018*  
*Guntur.*

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 Signature **Dr. Mohd. Ilyas Rizvi IFS.**  
 Name **Pri. Chief Conservator of Forests**  
 Office seal **(Head of Forest Force)**  
**Andhra Pradesh, Guntur**