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कार्यालय O/o Dy.CE/C/GTL

No.GTL/CN/W.185/GNT-GTL/DL/Forest

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From  
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To  
District Forest Officer (WL)  
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Nandyal, A.P.

Sir,

Sub: Guntakal Railway Division – Guntur-Guntakal section – Proposed doubling of track between Nandyal and Guntakal stations – Diversion of 2.21 Ha. (revised) Forest Land for construction of BG double line track between Dhone and Malkapuram stations in North Dhone RF – **Request to allow DGPS survey to identify 1.70 Ha. degraded forest land for Compensatory Afforestation (CA)** – Reg.

Ref: 1. Parivesh portal proposal number FP/AP/RAIL/149334/2021.  
2. This office Lr.No.GTL/CN/W.185/GNT-GTL/DL/Forest, dt.25.01.2023  
3. PCCF & HoFF (FAC)'s Ref.No.EFS02-17/41/2021-IT, dt.28.02.2023  
4. This office Lr.No.GTL/CN/W.185/GNT-GTL/DL/Forest, dt.01.03.2023

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In connection with the above mentioned subject, it may please be noted that an initial proposal for diversion of 1.36 Ha. forest land in North Dhone RF for construction of Guntur-Guntakal doubling was initiated by the undersigned. Subsequently, the maps & raw data submitted by this office was authenticated by PCCF, Guntur and the same was put in circulation through Parivesh online portal vide proposal number mentioned under ref.1 cited above. Subsequently, a proposal for compensatory afforestation (CA) of 2.83 Ha degraded forest land was submitted and authenticated as well. However, as per joint inspection conducted in presence of Revenue, Forest and Railway department officials it was understood that the existing Railway land pillars (based on which the said proposal was made) are not matching with reference to old SMR (South Maratha Railways) pillars and thereby, 0.84 Ha. additional forest land need to be added to the proposed land for diversion.

Subsequently, the report of DGPS survey and a revised proposal for diversion of 2.20 Ha (1.36 Ha + 0.84 Ha) of forest land instead of earlier proposal of 1.36 Ha was submitted vide ref.2. However, while intimating authentication for the additional forest land to be diverted, GIS cell, office of PCCF & HoFF has assessed 0.85 Ha area for additional diversion vide ref.3. Accordingly, a request to update the earlier proposal for diversion from 1.36 Ha to 2.21 Ha (1.36 Ha + 0.85 Ha) has been sent to PCCF (FCA) vide ref.4.

Evidently, in accordance with FCA, 1980, degraded forest land has to be identified for compensatory afforestation against the additional forest land of 0.85 Ha now proposed for diversion. In light of this, it is hereby requested to advise and allow DGPS survey at suitable degraded forest area in order to identify 1.70 Ha (i.e. 2x0.85 Ha) degraded forest land for the purpose of compensatory afforestation please.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to CE/C-I/SC for kind information please.