

Project Note by Project Authority

Name of proposal

Proposal for diversion of 1.5457 ha forest land for regularisation of lease of Forest land (before 1980) for use of Holiday Homes with drinking water pipeline, water tank, electricity, internal road & internal parking & other amenities from survey no 223/1 at village Malcolm Peth , Tal.- Mahabaleshwar Dist. Satara, to the Central Railway Pune, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

Proposal submitted by

The. Divisional Engineer (HQ)

Central Railway , 3rd floor, Near R.B. Mill Road , Pune. 411 001

Cost of Project

The estimated cost of already construction Holiday homes was Rs. 1.00 Cr and now the employment generate will be.

Type of work	Unskilled	Semi-Skilled	Skilled	Total
During Works Temporary	0	0	0	0
Permanent	5	2	2	9
Total	5	2	2	9

Justification

Proposal for diversion of 1.5457 ha forest land for regularisation of lease of Forest land (before 1980) for under use of Holiday Homes with drinking water pipeline to ,water tank, electricity , internal road & internal parking & other amenities from survey no 223/1 Comp no 77 at village Malcolm Peth , Tal Mahabaleshwar Dist. Satara ,

The General Manager , Central Railway , V. T. Bombay – 1 was applied to State Govt. of Maharashtra to lease the forest land at Mahabaleshwar for construction of Holiday Homes for Railway staff & officers by letter no 182-P-648/HH, dated

29.3.1978. The Govt. of Maharashtra had sanctioned forest land on lease area 2.00 Acre for Holiday Homes & 3.00 Acre Forest land for plantation by Revenue & Forest Department letter no FLD.2078/38- F-3 Dt. 18/2/1979 & 22/2/1980. As per the standard agreement form for the lease of forest land, the process of completion of lease agreement was completed between Divisional Forest Officer Satara. & Sr. Divisional Engineer, Central Railway, Bombay. On 22/01/1985. for the period of 1978 to 1988.

The construction of Holiday Homes was completed during year 1978 to 1982. Accordingly, Railway has constructed 4 Suits for officers and 16 Suits for Group 'C' and Group 'D' staffs in year 1982. Central Railway has paid the lease amount to forest dept as per agreement. After completion of lease period. Central railway has traded to extend the lease period for further 35 years.

In addition to this Central railway has submitted the new proposal for diversion of forest land for regularisation of lease land in Sept. 2007, to the Dy. C.F. Satara. Dy. C. F. Satara has also recommended this proposal for approval, but for this no further approval had obtained. Meanwhile the procedure for applying proposal under has change, so Central Railway has uploaded diversion proposal on Forest Clearance Portal and Submitted hard Copies to Forest dept.

After resurvey of leased land has been done and now project Authority has decided land under building & other amenities should be applied for regularisation of lease & remaining forest Lease to be given back to Forest Department.

Details of lease land required to the project Holiday Home is as under

Name of Row/ Type of Road	Forest Area required				Status
	Name of Village	S. no/ Com no	Item of work	Area in ha.	
Proposal for diversion of forest land for regularisation of lease of Forest land (before 1980) for use of Holiday Homes with drinking water pipeline, water	Malcom peth	223/1 Comp no 77	Area under Quarters	0.1008	R F
			Garden	0.0887	
			Road & Path Parking	0.1218	

tank, electricity , internal road & internal parking & other amenities at , Tal Mhabaleshwar Dist. Satara , to the Central Railway Pune (Bombay		Water Tank & Septic tank	0.0088
		Water pipeline & Drainage	0.0101
		Plantation & Open area	1.2155
	Forest area require		1.5457

Statement Showing Distribution of lease land

Sr.n	Description	Area in Ha.	Area in Ha.
1	Area allotted in lease for Holiday Homes + Plantation (2.00 A. + 3 A. = 5.00 Acres)	2.0234	
2	Area requires for Holiday Homes		1.5457
3	Area to be return to Forest Dept		0.4777
	Total		2.0234

As project area is within the Hill Station Municipal Council Mahableshtar , there is no requirement of sanction from heritage committee. & Heritage Conservation Committee

Project Authority submits that, the land is under Railways use since long back by Railways being a Government organization. It is not possible to hand over back the land as there are so many infrastructures existing and being used by staff of entire Indian Railway department.

The proposal for extension of lease period from 1988 to next 35 years was submitted and being chased with Forest Department at different level since long back but could not be materialized. Two years back Forest Dept had advised Railway to apply online on PARIVESH portal. Accordingly, the same was uploaded in portal with all necessary documents and the same was confirmed by nodal officer that the 'proposal has been found to be complete in all respect'. There after 7 hard copies of the proposal were submitted and acknowledgement of the Forest Dept and Collector Satara has been taken and uploaded in the portal. Project authority is requesting that in future if need to reconstruct this holiday homes on same plinth of building with double stories then in such case it should be permitted.

Project Authority submits that the proposed land to be diverted is already diverted & under use of Holiday Homes & work was completed before enforcements of ESZ notification of by MoEF & C C (ESZ) DIVISION by 17Th. Jan 2001 . Hence there is no need to take approval from the "High level monitoring committee (HLMC)appointed by MoEF & CC (ESZ Division) by order no 2/40/2005/ESZ(RE) Part File , Date 14Th March 2017. & also, Heritage Committee for Mahanbleswar & Pachagani Satara municipal area..

Project Authority submits that the proposed land to be diverted is already diverted & under use of Holiday Homes & work was completed before enforcements the Gram Sabha resolution & Certificate from the Collector Satara under FRA. 2006

As the construction of Holiday Homes already completed , then there is no alternative other than proposed alignment,

Project Authority is submitting proposal for regularisation of lease under F.C.A 1980

Place – Pune

Date – 24/12/2021

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