GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA FOREST DEPARTMENT

From Sri M.J. Akbar, I.F.S. Conservator Of Forests, Warangal Circle, Warangal. To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Telangana State,
Hyderabad.

Rc.No. 744/2017/D1, Dated. 14.03.2017

Sir,

Sub: - TSFD - Forest Conversion Act.,1980 - Proposal for Diversion of **3221.2971 Ha** in Mahadevpur area **(338.4826 Ha)** of Forest land in 8 different Forest Divisions viz. Mahadevpur, Karimnagar - Siricilla, Siddipet, Yadagiri, Medhak,Nizamabad, Banswada, and Nirmal divisions for construction of canals, Tunnels, Lift system and reservoirs involving in Kaleshwaram Project in districts of Telangana State - in favour of Chief Engineer, Kaleshwaram Project - Processed Proposals - Submitted - Reg.

Ref: - 1. PCCF, T.G., Hyderabad Rc.No.2514/2017/FCA-1, Dt.16.02.2017 2. DFO, Jayashankar Bhupalpally Rc.No.185/2017/TO, Dt.09.03.2017

It is submitted that, as per the instructions of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, TS, Hyderabad in the reference 1st cited above the District Forest Officer Jayashankar Bhupalpally vide references 2nd cited above has submitted, the Forest Divisional Officer, Mahadevpur has conducted the site inspections of the forest area proposed for construction of Barrages Gravity Canals, Delivery Cistern Power line, Pressure Main Gravity Canal and Power line involving in Kaleshwaram Project Mahadevpur passing through the Mahadevpur RF of Mahadevpur Range of Forest Division Mahadevpur. The details of the part I and part II is listed below and the as per the Principal C.C.F T.S Hyd Rc.No 2514/2017 dt. 16-02-2017 the C.A land is identified in other divisions of Telangana. Further it is submitted that the Forest Divisional Officer, Mahadevpur has reported that, in view of the Reorganization of the new District Mahadevpur Division was Formed Recently user ID & password not allotted for uploading the part-II on e-green watch portal.

The user agency has submitted the following information in Part-I

- The user agency Chief Engineer, Kaleshwaram project proposed for construction of Barrages Gravity canalas, Delivery Cistern Power line, Pressure Main Gravity Canal and Power line involving in Kaleshwaram Project Mahadevpur in Jayashankar Bhupalpally District passing through Reserve forests of Mahadevpur Block of Mahadevpur Range to an extent of (338.4826 Ha)
- construction of Barrage & LIS at **Medigadda** with 16.17 TMC capacity at FRL + 100.00 m.= Lifting 660 Cumecs of water from pump house near Kannepally (v) ,Mahadevpur (M), Jayashankar Bhupalpally (Dist.) to Annaram barrage including CM & CD works.with cost of Rs.4675.4/- Crores. Construction of Barrage & LIS at **Annaram** with 11.9 TMC capacity at FRL + 120.00 m.= Lifting 660 Cumecs of water from pumphouse near Kannepally (v), Mahadevpur (M), Jayashankar Bhupalpally (Dist.) to Sundilla barrage including CM & CD works with cost of Rs.3122.05 Crores.

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- 3) Map showing the required Forest land boundary of adjoining forest on S1 sheet 1: 50000 Scale map showing the location of the area proposed for laying of pipe line is enclosed with the proposal.
- 4) Total Entire Cost of the project Rs **80,499.71** Crores excluding the compensation if any to be deposited to Forest department.
- 5) Required under takings are enclosed along with the proposals
- 6) There is clearance required under Environment Protection Act 1986 and Rules which is to be submit the user agency.

The details submitted by the Forest Divisional Officer, Mahadevpur in Part II as follows

- The Proposed for construction of Barrages Gravity canals, Delivery Cistern Power line, Pressure Main Gravity Canal and Power line involving in Kaleshwaram Project Mahadevpur are passing through the Mahadevpur reserve forest of Mahadevpur range
- 2) The terrain is plain to undulating, which is slightly vulnerable to erosion.
- 3) The approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary to forest 500mtr to 1km
- 4) The proposed area is not falling in any National Park Wildlife Sanctuary, Bio-sphere reserve, tiger reserve or Elephant corridor
- 5) There are no any rare / endangered/unique species of flora and fauna in the proposed area.
- There is no any protected archeological heritage site / defense establishment or any other important monuments in the proposed site.
- 7) The requirement of the land proposed by the User Agency is unavoidable and barest minimum for the Project and there is no alternate root available.
- 8) The violation was committed on 06.03.2017 after which case was registered against (Sub-Contractor Medigadda barrage) Sri.Samudrala Thirupathi, vide POR.No.23/85, Dt:06.03.2017 for Earth work excavation, and 'C' fees is also, collected for Rs.50,274/for the violation by the contractor vide MR.No.0235830/4717,dt:06.03.17 and remitted in to the SBH Branch Kataram vide challan no.200812 ,Dt:07.03.2017 and at present above said work stopped.
- 9) As per the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad Rc.No.2514/2017/FCA-1, Dt.16.02.2017, the CA land is identified in other Divisions of Telangana.
- 10) The Forest Divisional Officer, Mahadevpur is recommended the proposals subject to the fulfillment to the following conditions
 - The user agency has to fence the area on both sides of the forest which is getting fragmented due to the project by chain link fencing, peripheral trench and install boundary pillars. The chain link fencing is to be down by the user agency over a length of (13 Km x 2 = 26 Km, along the diverted area + 10 Km along the road) = 36 Km. The technical spec of fencing, boundary pillar will be given by forest department and the user agency will execute the work by installing 5 security gates at areas as specified by the forest department.
 - 2) The user agency will provide water from the canal at appropriate places by creating small diversion canals, so that they can be used for forestry purposes

- like nursery, water holes, PT's etc. the location of the water requirement to be given by the forest department at the time of execution of the project.
- 3) Engaging of protection watchers 15 members (5 camps of 5 each) for 5 years "5x7500 per month X 60 months, for protecting the fragmented forest areas.
- 4) Construction of 3 protection cum supervisory hut 3 No.s, for the protection watchers.
- 5) Material shed in Govt. timber depo for storing felled trees for sale including security room, maintenance for 2 years.
- Engaging of Technical officer and computer operator 3 No.s for 5 years for planning of SMC works, fencing and other technical works.
- 7) Catchment area treatment to the SMC works like SCT's, PT'S, and CD's are to be taken in the effected area.
- 8) Construction of interpretation centre including 5 years maintenance to sensitize people about the importance of forests.
- 9) Mahindra Jeep's 2 No.s for protection and monitoring purpose are to be procured by the user agency and handed over to FDO, Mahadevpur.
- For monitoring the plantations works by senior forest officers one Innova and one Scoripio is to be procured by the user agency and to be handed over to FDO, Mahadevpur.
- 11) The user agency has to construct 3 bedroom camping facility 2 No's for the senior officers at their own cost. The technical specs will be given by the forest department.
- 12) Nursery infrastructure for raising plants 30 Lakhs.
- The bunds formed due to the canals are to be planted by suitable plants, to be done by the forest department.
- 14) Administrative and monitoring cost 10%.

Comments of the Forest Divisional Officer, Mahadevpur in his Site Inspection Report.

- The Forest Divisional Officer, Mahadevpur has inspected the proposed diversion area on 23-02-2017, 01-03-2017 and 03-03-2017
- The proposed area for diversion is linear i.e. for laying of pipe line and other Structures The area proposed for diversion is mostly passing in R.F. The terrain is plain to undulating, which is slightly vulnerable to erosion and however the area for diversion is linear stretch. The details of said forest area proposed is as follows for diversion:
- 1) Area 0.3223 of Compartment No. 248 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 2) Area 7.9273 of Compartment No. 249 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 3) Area 18.0393 of Compartment No. 247 of Beerasagar(N) Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 4) Area 14.0381 of Compartment No. 248 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 5) Area 1.5471 of Compartment No. 249 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 6) Area 1.7826 of Compartment No. 248 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 7) Area 2.6908 of Compartment No. 247 of Beerasagar(N) Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 8) Area 5.8289 of Compartment No. 253 of Kalehswaram Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53

- 9) Area 1.0050 of Compartment No. 254 of Kalehswaram Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 10) Area 9.2216 of Compartment No. 252 of Sandrupally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 11) Area 2.8034 of Compartment No. 251 of Sandrupally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 12) Area 2.6331 of Compartment No. 248 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 13) Area 2.8540 of Compartment No. 249 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 14) Area 40.7921 of Compartment No. 253 of Kalehswaram Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 15) Area 2.2408 of Compartment No. 254 of Kalehswaram Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 16) Area 67.4293 of Compartment No. 252 of Sandrupally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 17) Area 23.7442 of Compartment No. 251 of Sandrupally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 18) Area 18.8204 of Compartment No. 250 of Sandrupally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 19) Area 41.1644 of Compartment No. 248 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 20) Area 7.3772 of Compartment No. 246 of Annaram(N) Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 21) Area 16.7510 of Compartment No. 245 of Annaram(N) Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 22) Area19.5208 of Compartment No. 249 of Kannepally Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- 23) Area 29.9489of Compartment No. 235 of Annaram(S) Beat in Mahadevpur R.F, notified U/s.15 vide G.O. No.1230 "Dt 19-12-53
- The said proposed area for diversion does not form part of National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere reserve, Tiger reserve, Elephant Corridor etc., No rare / endangered / unique species of flora and fauna are found in the forest area proposed for diversion. There are no protected Archaeological / Heritage site / defense establishment or any other important monument in the forest area proposed for diversion
- The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.2 of Part-I is noticed unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. During field inspection it is further noticed that, the area proposed for diversion in the area for diversion as per field verification is 338.4826 Ha
- Most of the vegetation in the linear stretch is degraded and coppice growth. The average density of vegetation is about 0.3-0.4 as taken by the densiometer. The major flora existing are T.Mogili, N.Maddi, Pala, Bojja, Gudipala, Sandra, Kodisha, Dummpidi, Korry, Morri, karaka, karenga, eppa, Jetregi, Vepa and Teak etc.,
- The major fauna in the said area are Melursus ursines (Sloth Bear), Hysterix indica (Porcupine), Lepus nigricollis (Hare), Sus scropha (Wild Boar), Pavo cristatus (Indain Peafowl), Glaucidium radiatum (Jungle Owlet), Axis Axis (Spotted deer), Chowsinga, Kondagorre, Nilgai, sambar, Monitor litard, Greyhornbills, owlets.etc.

Further, it is submitted that, the Collector, Jayashankar District vide Rc.No. B/1778/2016, Dt.27.02.2017 has issued RoFR certificate in Form – II (for projects other than Linear Projects) certifying that the complete process for identification and settlement of rights under FRA has been carried out for the entire 338.4826 Ha of forest area.

In this regard, it is submitted that, the Part-III proposals along with Inspection Notes of the undersigned duly recommending the proposal for Diversion of 3221.2971 Ha in Mahadevpur area (338.4826 Ha) of Forest land in 8 different Forest Divisions viz. Mahadevpur, Karimnagar -Siricilla, Siddipet, Yadagiri, Medhak, Nizamabad, Banswada, and Nirmal divisions for construction of canals, Tunnels, Lift system and reservoirs involving in Kaleshwaram Project in districts of Telangana State - in favour of Chief Engineer, Kaleshwaram Project in (04) Sets are submitted herewith.

This is submitted for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Encl: Proposals in (04) Sets

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- M.J.Akbar., Conservator of Forests Warangal Circle, Warangal.

Copy submitted to the Addl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA), O/o Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Telangana, Hyderabad for favour of kind information and necessary action.

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MANAGER