

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT

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To:
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Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad,
Hyderabad, Telangana State.

Rc. No. 1018/2016/ATR/PT-6, Dated: 01.05.2017

Sir,

Sub:- TSFD - Proposals for diversion of 229.0361 ha of forest land in Achampet division for execution of works for Palmauru Rangareddy L. I. scheme- Proposals- forwarded - Regarding.

Ref:- 1. Prl.CCF, RC.No. 6531/2016/FCA-1/TS, Dt: 28.10.2016.
2. FDO, Achampet, RC.No. 574/S4/2016, Dt:01.05.2017
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Kind attention is invited to the reference cited above. The District Forest Officer, Achampet vide reference cited 2nd above has submitted proposal of diversion of 205.432 ha in Achampet division for execution of work of Lift Irrigation Scheme for Palamuru Rangareddy Lift Irrigation Scheme for works of Lift-1 (package-1 earth work excavation and construction of diversion in between Anjanagiri Reservoir at Narlapur and Veeranjaneya Reservoir (Package-4) which was received from the user agency duly covering the details furnished by User Agency in Part-I and other information in Part-II with check list furnished by the User Agency are as under

1. The User Agency in their proposal has requested for requirement of Forest land as 229.0361 ha falling in Kollapur & Pasupala Reserve Forests of the Achampet Division.
2. The detailed map of the proposed area for diversion along with DGPS survey location point.
3. The cost of the project is estimated as Rs. 35,200Cr.
4. The project is contemplated
 - a. To provide Irrigation facilities for a command area of 404,858 Ha in Drought prone areas in Mahabubnagar, Rangareddy and Nalgonda districts.
 - b. To provide Drinking water to the en-route villages.
 - c. To provide water to industrial use in Mahabubnagar, Rangareddy and Nalgonda district.

5. The User Agency has submitted that the project does not involve

- Any place of historical, religious, archaeological recreational important.
- The diversion of forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than specified in the proposal i.e., for the purpose of i) Construction of tunnel at stage-I Under Ground pump house ii) construction of Tunnel in between Anjanagiri Reservoir and Veeranjaneya Reservoir.

6. The benefit cost ratio as 1.23 as per statement enclosed.

7. The User Agency also submitted that the project is going to engaged farmers and agricultural labour for a command area of 404,858 Ha and by providing the industrial water it is an incentive for setting up for various industries which support employment generation at various categories.

8. The purpose wise breakup of the total land require is as under.

RF	Compt.No	Area in Ha	Purpose
Kollapur	444	3.050	Construction of Lift-I Under Ground Pump house Tunnel
	443 and 444	225.497	Formation of Anjanagiri Reservoir

Pasupala	474	0.4891	Construction of tunnel in between Anjanagiri Reservoir and Veeranjaneya Reservoir
	Total	229.0361	

9. The Project is likely to displace 2004 to 2481 families for which the rehabilitation plan is to be enclosed by the User Agency.
10. The User Agency also submitted that they have applied for clearance under E P Act-1986.
11. They have also enclosed an under taking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory Afforestation and / or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration of Safety Zone, etc., as per the scheme prepared by the state Government.
12. The Forest Divisional Officer, Achampet in his report has submitted following.
 - a. Sample plot enumeration of the proposed area was taken up by sampling method.
 - b. **Important Species found in the area:**
 Chroxylon swietenia (Billudu), Albizia amara (Narlinga), Holoptelea integrifolia (Nemalinara), Wrightia tinctoria (Palakodisha), Sapindus emergineta (Reeta), Accasia chundra (Sandra), Disospyros melanoxylon (Thuniki), Butea monosperma (Moduga), Cassia Fistula (Rela), Sterculia urens (Tapsi), Aleurites moluccanus (Uduga), Azadirachta indica (Vepa), Ficus mollis (Juvvi), Premna tomentosa (Nagur), Calotropis gigantean (Jilledu), Prosopis (Sarkar thumma).
 - c. Total trees falling in the area are approximately 82020 out of which number of poles are 6707 number yielding approximately 2.5 cmt of timber and 434.66 tons fuel wood valued Rs. 13.66 lakhs.
 - d. The density of forest is ranging between 0.1 - 0.4.
 - e. The Forest Divisional Officer Achampet has test-checked the sample plot enumeration done by the Forest Range Officer, Kollapur during his Field Inspection.
 - f. The FDO Achampet has informed at para No 9 in Part-II that the User Agency has violated the provisions of FC Act by taking up activities without the approval of competent authority as under
 1. In Compt. No. 443 & 444 an area of 30.10 Ha was cleared in Narlapur & Yellore beats on 18.07.2016. The value of destruction is Rs. 1781655/-.
 2. An area of 30.10 ha was found to be cleared in compt No. 443 & 444 for which a notice has been issued to user agency vide office RC.No. 574/2016/S4, dt: 12.07.2016. The reply of user agency is awaited.
 3. In both the cases orders were issued by Forest Divisional Officer, Achampet duly imposing a penalty of Rs. 35,63,310/-. The notices have been issued to User Agency by FDO Achampet office RC.No. 574/2016/S4, Dt: 20.03.2017. However, the penalty amount is to be remitted by the User Agency.
 4. An area of 500m length and 25m width was found to be cleared by user agency apart from digging a canal approximately measuring 700m in length, 30m in width and 25m in depth for which also a notice has been issued to user agency vide Rc.No. 574/S4/2016 dated: 25.03.2017 and reply is awaited from the User Agency.
 - g. The Forest Divisional Officer in his report has submitted that after inspection of the Addl.Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Amrabad Tiger Reserve on 20th March 2017 joined survey of the area was taken up. Accordingly, Forest Range Officer, Kollapur

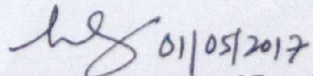
along with Revenue Authorities have conducted joined survey from 26.03.2017 to 29.03.2017 and as per report submitted by Forest Range Officer, it is concluded that the area required for PRS and LIS project that is 204.9920 ha against the proposed area of 228.547 Ha submitted by the User Agency falling in Kollapur RF. However, there is no change in the area proposed for diversion in Pasupala Reserve Forest (0.4891 hac).

13. The Forest Divisional Officer Achampet has recommended the proposals of the UA duly furnishing the part II with all required documents as per rules in vogue.
14. In this regards it is submitted that the undersigned has inspected the part of the proposed area falling under Compartment No 443 on 20th march 2017. As per the proposed area map submitted by the User agency the area falling between DGPS IDs No 10.00 and 10.002 and 11.00 and 10.900 C found to be falling inside the RF for which the FDO Achampet was directed to issue notices to the user agency for violation of provisions of FC Act. Similarly, during my field visit dated 22nd march 2017 in Compartment no 444 the forest land falling between the geo-referenced point ID no 6.200 (Long:78.37728 & Lat: 16.139641) and referenced point ID No 6.00 (Long: 78.378916 & Lat: 16.139641) found to be used by the UA for digging a canal without the approval of competent Authority for which also the FDO Achampet was directed to issue notices. However as informed by the FDO Achampet after the joint survey of the proposed area for diversion the area inspected on 20th March 2017 in compt. No 443 which was earlier shown as forest land in the proposals of UA is found to be outside the Forest. The status of area which was inspected on 22nd march 2017 in Compt. No 444 remains unchanged (Forestland) for which the notice has been issued by the FDO Achampet. After joint inspection of the proposed areas, the revised forest area required for diversion for above project is now changed to 205.4811hac. against the proposal of 229.0361Hac. as submitted by UA. The details of revised area requirements are as under.

RF	Compt.No	Area in Ha	Purpose
Kollapur	443	166.2942	Construction of Lift-I-Pump house Tunnel & Formation of Anjanagiri Reservoir
	444 (Package I)	3.0500	
	444 (package II)	35.6478	
Total Kollapur RF		204.9920	
Pasupala RF	474	0.4891	Construction of tunnel in between Anjanagiri Reservoir and Veeranjanya Reservoir
Total Area required		205.4811	

15. The proposals of User Agency duly enclosing revised DGPS map and other required documents (RoFR Certificates etc.) along with part II and Part III duly filled by FDO Achampet and FD ATR respectively in prescribed formats with their recommendations and Field Inspection Notes are submitted herewith in 7 sets for taking further action in the matter.

Encl: As above (7sets).
Yours faithfully,


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