GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
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To
The Conservator of Forests,
Guntur Circle,
GUNTUR.

Rc.No.1066/2021/TA, Dated:06-08-2021.

Sir.

Sub:- APFD- F(C) Act, 1980- Application for grant of Quarry Lease for Mica, Quartz & Feldspar over an extent of 10.72 Ha (i.e., 9.01 Ha for Mining area + 1.34 Ha for Safety Zone area and 0.37 Ha for Road area) in Compt.No.120, Turimella RF, Venkatagiri Range, Sydapuram Mandal of Nellore Division filed by M/s. Mica Zone, Mg.Partner: Sri. G.Krishnam Raju, Jaflapuram, Nellore District- Non-Forest land over an extent of 23.29 Acres identified in Sy.No.206 & 222 of Tummagunta Village and Sy.No.11 of Ekunampuram Village of C.S.Puram Mandal of Prakasam District for the purpose of CA in lieu of Forest Land for Diversion for non- forest purpose- Request for conducting **DGPS** Survey Submitted for verification its authentication - Requested - Reg.

- Ref:- 1. Prl.CCF, A.P, Guntur Rc.No.EFS02-15029/15/2021/FCA -SEC/PCCF/FCA-3, Dt.02.07.2021.
 - 2. CF, Guntur Rc.No.1292/2021/TO., Dt.05.07.2021.
 - 3. This Office Rc.No.1066/2021/TA., Dt.26.07.2021 and 29.07.2021
 - 4. FRO, Kanigiri Rc.No.54/2021/Tml., Dt.27.07.2021 and 03.08.2021

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In obedience to the above references 1st and 2nd cited above, it is submitted that the Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri has submitted a report vide reference 4th cited stating that the Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri, Forest Section Officer, C.S., Puram, D.G., Peta, Forest Beat Officer, Tuungodu & Bonthavaripalli Beats and a representative from the user agency have inspected the said proposed CA Lands in the Sy.No.206 & 222 of Tummagunta Village and Sy. No.11 of Ekunapuram Village of Chandrasekharapuram Mandal of Prakasam District on 26.07.2021 and the documents are verified in the Sub-Registrar Office, Kanigiri along with the land classification in the Chandrasekharapuram Mandal Tahsildhar Office.

Further, it is submitted that the Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri has stated that, during the inspection and verification of the said Non-Forest lands identified by the user agency over an extent of 23.29 acres in Sy. No. 206 & 222 of Tummagunta Village and Sy.No.11 of Ekunapuram Village of C.S., Puram Mandal of Prakasam District, the following points are observed.

- 1. On verification of the Revenue records, the Non-Forest Land identified in Sy.No.206 & 222 of Tummagunta Village and Sy.No. 11 of Ekunapuram Village of C.S. Puram Mandal of Prakasam District are the Patta Lands as per the FLR / RSR Copy.
 - (a) On verification of the FMB Copies of the Sy.No.206 of Tummagunta Village, it is found that the extent of Sy.No.206 measures, 12.75 Acres and the Western Boundary & half of the Northern Boundary are contiguous to the Reserved Forest.
 - (b) On verification of the FMB Copies and Village map of the Tummagunta Village, the Sy. No.222 measures, 4.86 Acres and this Sy.No. is contiguous to the Reserve Forest.
 - (c) On verification of the FMB Copies of the Sy. No.11 of Ekunapuram Village, it is found that the extent of Sy.No. 11 measures, 5.68 Acres and the Western Boundary is contiguous to the Reserved Forest.

2. The said lands are in three bits.

(a)Sy. No.206 of Tummagunta Village is contiguous to the Veligonda Reserved Forest, Compartment No.548, Bonthavaripalli Beat of D.G Peta Section and the rest all other sides is Revenue Land. On the Reserved Forest Boundary side a Peripheral Trench (Boundary Trench) was also dug as per the Gazette Notification.

In the DGPS Maps, it was shown as a part/small portion of the Sy.No.206 of Tummagunta Village is present in the Reserved Forest. On Field verification, the entire Sy.No.206 is present outside the Reserved Forest and contiguous to the Veligonda Reserved Forest. There is a shift in the Forest Layers, hence this error was occurred.

(b) Sy.No.222 of Tummagunta Village is contiguous to the Veligonda Reserved Forest, Compartment No. 547, Bonthavaripalli Beat of D.G Peta Section. On the Reserved Forest Boundary, a Peripheral Trench (Boundary Trench) was also dug as per the Gazette Notification.

In the DGPS Maps, it was shown as a part/small portion of the Sy. No. 222 of Tummagunta Village is present Reserved Forest. On Field verification, the entire Sy. No. 222 of Tummagunta village is present outside the Reserved Forest and contiguous to the Veligonda Reserved Forest. There is a shift in the Forest Layers, hence this error was occurred.

(c) Sy.No. 11 of Ekunampuram Village, boundary on the western side is contiguous to the Veligonda Reserved Forest, Compt. No.558, Thungodu Beat of Chandrasekharapuram Section and the rest all other sides is Revenue Land. On the Reserved Forest Boundary side a Peripheral Trench (Boundary Trench) was also dug as per the Gazette Notification.

On Field verification, the Sy.No. 11 of Ekunapuram Village is present in contiguous to the Veligonda Reserved Forest, Compartment No. 558. In the APFD GIS layers the Veligonda Reserved Forest Block was shown as two parts by missing a connectivity between those two parts in the APFD Layer. But as per the Veligonda Reserved Forest Gazette Notification and on field verification, Veligonda Reserved Forest is a single block and the Sy. No. 11 of the Ekunapuram Village is present in contiguous to the Veligonda Reserved Forest. There is an error in the APFD Forest Layers, which shows the Veligonda RF as two separate Forest Blocks and hence this error in the DGPS maps was occurred.

Further, in this regard, the Village map of Ekunampuram was verified and it is noticed that the Village is contiguous to veligonda Reserved Forest and the entire western portion of Ekunampuram Village shares common boundary with Veligonda Reserved Forest Block. The village map was superimposed on google earth and it is further noticed that the western boundary of Village runs along the boundary of Veligonda Reserved Forest. It was also verified as per the Gazette Notification and it is found correct.

3. The Non-Forest lands identified in three bits is having loamy soils and is also certified by the Assistant Director of Agriculture in the Soil testing laboratory, Ongole.

- (a) The Sy.No. 206 of Tummagunta Village was cultivated by the land owner and at present the land was left as uncultivated. At some places in the field Ravi, Neem, Neredu etc., plants are present. On perambulation of the entire field it was noticed that, the soils are of virgin and fertile. At some places stones are present and it is best suitable for raising of AR/ANR Model plantation with Ravi, Neem, other forest species and can be treated with some SMC Works.
 - (b) The Sy.No. 222 of Tummagunta Village is present in contiguous to the Reserved Forest and was Un-Cultivated since long time. Thus, the land is appearing same as Jungle with Neem, Gotti, Kalivi etc., plants. On perambulation of the entire field it was noticed that, the soils are of virgin and fertile. This Sy. No.222 of Tummagunta Village is best suitable for raising of AR/ANR Model plantation with forest species.
 - (c) The Sy.No. 11 of Ekunampuram Village is the cultivated land at present. On perambulation of the entire field it was noticed that, the soils are fertile. This land is best suitable for raising of AR/ANR Model plantation with forest species. SMC Works can be taken up at the stream flowing on the west to east side of the fields.
 - 4. The Non-Forest Lands identified in this project in Sy.No.206 in an extent of 12.75 Acres & 222 in an extent of 4.86 Acres in Tummagunta Villages and Sy. No.11 in an extent of 5.68 Acres in Ekunampuram Village of C.S., Puram Mandal of Prakasam District are not overlapped in the Non-Forest (CA) Land identified for other projects.

It is further submitted that the Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri has stated that the user agency has completed the DGPS Survey in the identified Non-Forest Lands in Sy.No.206 & 222 df Tummagunta Village and Sy.No.11 of Ekunampuram Village of C.S., Puram Mandal, Prakasam District and arrived 23.24 Acres / 9.41 Ha of area and submitted DGPS Maps duly signed by the user agency along with raw data. Accordingly, the Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri has inspected the said Non-Forest lands identified for Compensatory Afforestation on 26.07.2021 & 02.08.2021 and the above information is found to be correct. The details of the Non-Forest Land are as follows.

S1. No	Mandal Chandra Sekara Puram	Village	Sy. No	Total Extent of the Sy. No. in Acres	Extent proposed as Non-Forest Land in Acres	Extent arrived in DGPS Survey	
						Acres	Ha.
1		Tummagunta	206	12.75	12.75	12.70	5.14
2			222	4.86	4.86	4.84	1.96
3		Ekunampuram	11	5.68	5.68	5.70	2.31
ů.	Total Extent			23.29	23.29	23.24	9.41

In this connection, it is submitted that, I have also inspected the above identified Non-Forest land for Compensatory Afforestation on 06-08-2021 along with Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri and the report of Forest Range Officer, Kanigiri is found to be coorect. The above Non-Forest Lands to an extent of 23.24 Acres or 9.41 Ha identified in Sy.No.206 & 222 of Tummagunta Village and Sy.No.11 of Ekunampuram Village of C.S., Puram Mandal, Kanigiri Range of Giddalur Division for Compensatory Afforestation area suitable for raising of CA Plantation (AR/ANR Model).

Hence, it is requested that the Conservator of Forests., Guntur may kindly address a letter to the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Guntur along with DGPS Survey maps of the said identified CA lands duly signed by the concerned staff and user agency with raw data in shape of (2) sets along with CD for its verification and authentication.

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

Encl:- (2) sets of DGPS Maps with Raw data and connected documents

Yours faithfully,

Divisional Forest Officer (T),

Giddalur.

Copy to M/s Mica Zone, Mg. Partner: Sri.G.Krishnam Raju, Jaflapuram, Nellore District for information and necessary action.

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