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PART - V

(To be filled up by the Secretary In charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

1. Recommendation of the State Government

The proposal is recommended vide Government letter No.FLD-1922/CR232/ F-10

Dated: 22/09/2022

(Ganesh Jadhao)
Under Secretary to the
Government of Maharashtra

Under Secretary

Revenue and Forests Department

Hutatma Rajguru Chowk

Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya

Mumbai 400 032

Place: Mumbai

Date: 22/09/2022

Government of Maharashtra

No.FLD-1922/CR-232/F-10 Revenue and Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032. Dated: 22.09.2022

To,

Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Government of India, Civil Lines, Nagpur.

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The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Nagpur has submitted proposal for diversion of 0.121 ha. Reserved Forest land for Construction of laying water pipeline, erection of electric pole to supply electricity, aerial iron cable for cable car and regularize existing approach stairs pathway for the Dosti Agro Tourism Centre at Village Karanjale, Tal. Junnar, Dist. Pune in the State of Maharashtra.

The details of forest land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No	Item work purpose	Village Name	Taluka	District	Gut No.	Length & Width (in mtr)	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
1	Water Pipeline & Insulated Electric line Pole	Karanja le	Junnar	Pune	120	200 x 2	0.040	Reserved Forest
2	Areal iron cable car.					100 x 4	0.040	-
3	Existing steps for regularized					274 x 1.5	0.041	
Total Forest Land (in ha.)							0.121	

2. The Dosti Agro Tourism Centre is at the top of Mountain in Gat No.142. There is no permanent water source available for drinking water as well as for Agro Tourism purpose, no facility of electricity and proper route for throughfare available here. In thi regard the User Agency has submitted proposal Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Water, Eletricity, approach road etc., The total non-forest involved in project is .099 ha.

3. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Junnar has certified that:-

- 3.1) No alternate alignment is possible and the forest land required is minimum.
- 3.2) The area belongs to Eco-value class-III having density is below 0.4 to 0.7 (Dense Forest).
- 3.3) There are no tree felling involved in this project.
- 3.4) The area involved in the project does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 3.5) Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 3.6) There is violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980. The detail violation report is enclosed in the proposal.
- 3.7) Proposed project is 5.5 kms from the boundary of the Protected Area i.e. Kalasubai Wildlife Sanctuary.
- 3.8) The non-forest area covered under the project is not under the provision of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act 1975 by virtue of application of Section 35 of Indian Forest Act 1927 and are not recognized as deemed reserved forest as well as not included in the area identified as "forest" as per dictionary meaning of forest as intimated to the expert committee appointed under interim judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12/12/1996.
- 3.9) Proposed Compensatory Afforestation over 1.00 ha. degraded forest land in Compt No.1(A), Gut No.45 of Village Khireshwar, Taluka Junnar, Dist. Pune and it is contiguous, suitable for afforestation and management purpose and it is free from encroachment and an encumbrances.
- 3.10) Three alternatives have been examined in detail and no any other alternative available to the proposed work.

4. The User Agency has submitted undertakings:-

- 4.1) to defray the cost of Net Present Value
- 4.2) to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.
- 4.3) to submit compliance under FRA-2006.

- 5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his specific recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.
- 6. In the circumstances explained in the aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted subject the conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before the Government of India for its approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, be obtained and communicated to this Government.

Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

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Encl: A) Set of case papers

B) The following documents are enclosed:-

1. Prescribed form as per Rules.

2. Area Statement

- 3. Commitment from the Applicant for defraying the cost of Net Present Value & Compensatory Afforestation.
- 4. Brief note of the project
- 5. Site Inspection Report.
- 6. Violation Report.
- 7. Certificate in Part V.

Copy:

- 1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi
- 2. Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur
- 3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & C.E.O, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur
- 4. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/Nodal/Pune/ID-12951(22)/881/2022-23, Dt.12.07.2022.
- 5. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Pune.
- 6. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Junnar.
- 7. Shri. Sanjay Shridhar Awati, Project Authority & land holder, Dosti Agro Tourism Centre, At. Village Karanjale, Tal. Junnar, Dist. Pune.
- 8. Select File (F-10)