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F.No. FC-I/MH-374/2023-NGP/13719

Date: 11.10.2024

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Revenue and Forest Department,
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
Madame Cama Marg, Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400032.

Sub: Diversion of 0.2664 ha of Forest Land in favour of shri. Prabhatchandra Jain, Mumbai for Construction of Railings and New Black stone staircase on footpath from Zhari parshwanath Digambar Jain Mandir to up to Wildlife Passage on side railing and Footpath repair in Yashwantrao Chavan Wildlife Sanctuary in Sangli District in the state of Maharashtra.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra's letter no. FLD-2123/C.R.234/F-10 dated 11.12.2023 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S1/PID-153530/Kolhapur/926 dated 23.06.2023 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of **Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980**. After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government, **'in-principle'** approval was accorded by the Central Government vide its letter of even number dated 18.04.2024. The Addl. PCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, vide his letter no. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-153530/Kolhapur/1542 dated 07.10.2024 submitted compliance report and requested to grant final approval to the proposal.

After careful consideration of the proposal and compliance report, I am directed to convey the Central Government's **'final approval'** under Section- 2 of the **Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980** for diversion of **0.2664 ha** of Forest Land in favour of shri. Prabhatchandra Jain, Mumbai for Construction of Railings and New Black stone staircase on footpath from Zhari parshwanath Digambar Jain Mandir to up to Wildlife Passage on side railing and Footpath repair in Yashwantrao Chavan Wildlife Sanctuary in Sangli District in the state of Maharashtra subject to the fulfilment of the following conditions:

- Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;

- ii. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground by the **State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency;**
- iii. No trees felling shall be carried out in the forest area;
- iv. Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency.
- v. **All conditions recommended by the SC NBWL shall be strictly complied with by the User agency and the state government;**
- vi. **The User Agency shall ensure no waste materials / garbage dumping in the forest areas;**
- vii. The State / UA shall ensure all other approvals / permission under relevant rules / regulation, if any required prior to commencement of the project work;
- viii. Proper labour camps shall be constructed in the non-forest area and in any case, labour camp shall not be made within the RF area;
- ix. **After ensuring settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (2 of 2007) and compliance to all such conditions, the State Government shall issue order for working permission or diversion as the case may be;**
- x. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986. if applicable;
- xi. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;
- xii. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for the transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;
- xiii. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;
- xiv. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.2664 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
- xv. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to the all acts, rules, regulation and guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to the subject project;
- xvi. Any other condition that the Regional Office, Nagpur may impose

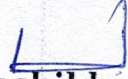


from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area shall be complied by the User Agency;

- xvii. In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the rules / guidelines issued under **Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam. 1980;**

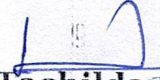
This order issues with the approval of DDGF(C), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,


(C.B. Tashildar)
AIGF (Central)

Copy to:

- i. The IGF (RoHQ), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003
- ii. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- iii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- iv. User Agency.
- v. Guard file.


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