

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From

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To

The Spl. Chief Secretary to the Government
Forest Department,
Telangana, Secretariat,
Hyderabad.

Rc.No.3879/2016/FCA-1, Dated.09.03.2021

Sir,

Sub: TSFD -FCA-Diversion of forest land to an extent of **9.305 ha** of forest land in Bhupalpally Division - for laying of Pipe Line and Construction of structures in **Segment-15/1 (Konampeta)** - for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project - in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Karimnagar - **In-principle (Stage-I) approval - Condition-wise compliance - Submitted-** Regarding.

- Ref:**
1. Chief Engineer, TDWSP, RWS&S Dept., Hyd Lr.No. AEE3/TDWSP/RMR/Forest/Peddapali/Seg.15/1&15/2/2016 dated 10.01.2017.
 2. PCCF's Ref.No.3879/2016/FCA-1 dated 28.01.2017.
 3. CF, Warangal Ref.No.1442/2017/TO dt.04.03.2017.
 4. PCCF's Ref.No.3879/2016/FCA-1 dt.28.04.2017.
 5. State Govt Lr.No.1915/For.I(1)/2017-1 dated 29.05.2017.
 6. From GoI, MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai F.No.4-TSB082/ 2017-CHN/1075, dt.12.07.2017.
 7. State Govt. Memo.No.1915/For.I(1)/2017 EFS&T Dept., dated 24.07.2017.
 8. PCCF's Ref.No.3879/2016/FCA-1 dated 24.07.2017.
 9. PCCF's Ref.No.3879/2016/FCA-1 dated 17.03.2018.
 - 10.CCF/CF, Warangal Rc.No.1442/2016/TO, dt. 19-11-2020.
 - 11.GOI, MoEF & CC, Regional Office (SE Zone), Chennai F.No.4-TSB055/2017-CHN/1953, Dt.18.06.2020.
 - 12.PCCF's Rc.No.03/2015/FCA-1 (iii) dated 12.01.2021.
 - 13.CCF / CF, Warangal Rc.No.1442/2016/TO, Dated 20-02-2021.
 14. GOI, MoEF & CC, Regional Office (SE Zone), Chennai F.No.4-TSBO31/2016-CHN/0214, dt.07.02.2020.

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Kind attention is invited to the references cited.

It is submitted that the Government, vide reference 7th cited, has accorded **in-principle (Stage-I) approval**, for diversion of forest land to an extent of **9.305 ha** of forest land in Bhupalpally Division - for laying of Pipe Line and Construction of structures in **Segment-15/1 (Konampeta)** - for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project - in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Karimnagar. The above orders have been communicated to all the concerned officers with instructions to submit condition-wise compliance report, vide reference 8th cited.

The CCF / Conservator of Forests, Warangal had obtained compliance of conditions from the District Forest Officer / Forest Divisional Officer, Jayashankar Bhupalpally District and User Agency and submitted vide reference 10th cited. A copy of reference 10th cited together with its enclosures **in triplicate** is enclosed herewith.

The condition-wise compliance report is reproduced with remarks as follows:

Sl.No.	Description of the Condition	Compliance
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(i)	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	The User Agency has stated that the Condition will be complied with. An undertaking is submitted by the User Agency and enclosed herewith.

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(ii)	The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the Cost of User Agency.	<p>The user agency has deposited an amount of Rs.3,98,900/- in the PD Account of Forest Divisional Officer, Bhupalpally bearing account No. 6432456786 HDFC, Bhupalapally, IFSC Code: HDFC0000375 with UTR No. IDIBH17349115567, Dt: 15-12-2017 and the breakup details of deposited amount as below:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>S. No</th><th>Description of Item</th><th>Amount (in Rupees)</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td><td>Construction of (15) Nos RCC Big pillars base of 4 feet high above ground level @Rs.9,000/-</td><td>Rs.1,35,000/-</td></tr> <tr> <td>2.</td><td>Construction of (455) Nos RCC small intermediate pre-fabricated pillars of 6"x6" of 4 feet high above ground level @Rs.5,800/- each</td><td>Rs.2,63,900/-</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Total:</td><td>Rs.3,98,900/-</td></tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Extraction of tree growth: 5,31,274/-.</p> <p>A Copy of the payment is enclosed</p>	S. No	Description of Item	Amount (in Rupees)	1.	Construction of (15) Nos RCC Big pillars base of 4 feet high above ground level @Rs.9,000/-	Rs.1,35,000/-	2.	Construction of (455) Nos RCC small intermediate pre-fabricated pillars of 6"x6" of 4 feet high above ground level @Rs.5,800/- each	Rs.2,63,900/-	Total:		Rs.3,98,900/-
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(iii)	The compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 9.305 out of 145.18 ha of Non-Forest Land identified in Sy.No.100 of Nagilla Village at Madgui Mandal in Amangal Range of Amangal Division at the cost of User Agency.	<p>The user agency has deposited an amount of Rs.83,83,470/- (part of demand notice amount of Rs.1,65,08,400/- Out of Rs. 3,60,94,832/- deposited for (3) segments) in the Telangana State CAMPA, New Delhi Lodhi Complex, with UTR No.IDBIR52017121515415778 dated 15-12-2017 against the project FP/TG/WATER/23807/2017, which is not yet reflected in the Ministry's portal. A copy of the Confirmation of Deposit in 12 column proforma addressed to the Inspector General (FC) MOEF&CC, GOI sent vide PCCF's Rc.No.03/2015/FCA-1 (iii) dated 17.03.2018 & Ref.No.3879/2016 /FCA-1 dated 23.01.2021 are enclosed herewith for ready reference.</p>												
(iv)	Identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that the identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government, which is enclosed herewith.												
(v)	The CA area identified at Amangal Division which is apportioned project wise shall be treated as per the CA scheme approved.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.												
(vi)	Non-forest land identified for raising compensatory afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before issue of the stage-II clearance;	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and handed over the CA land to the Forest Divisional Officer Amangal on 19-09-2019 (Copy enclosed).												

(vii)	Non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation, shall be declared as Reserved Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act. The Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of 6 months from the date of grant of final approval and send a copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1972, or under the relevant section of the local Forest Act as the case may be, to this office for Information and record;	The non-forest CA land transferred and mutated in favour of State Forest Department will be declared as PF/ RF under Telangana Forest Act, 1967 within a period of six months upon receipt of Stage II approval.
(viii)	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 9.305 ha from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 29.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Write Petition (Civil) No.202/1995.	The user agency has deposited an amount of Rs.58,24,930/- for Cost of NPV amount @ 626000 per ha x 9.305 ha = Rs.58,24,930/- into the Ad-hoc CAMPA account of Telangana with UTR No. IDIBR52017121515415778 , Dt: 15.12.2017 , against the project FP/TG/WATER/23807/2017 , which is not yet reflected in the Ministry's portal . A copy of the Confirmation of Deposit in 12 column proforma addressed to the R.O. Chennai sent vide PCCF's Rc.No.03/2015/FCA-1(III) dt.17.03.2018 & Ref.No.3879/2016/FCA-1 dt.23.01.2021 are enclosed herewith for ready reference.
(ix)	Additional amount of the Net present value (NPV) of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(x)	The funds received from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value under this Project including levies towards mitigation measures for wildlife conservation etc shall be deposited in the respective bank account of the Telangana State CAMPA. <u>The User Agency shall compulsorily deposit the CA and other levies only by generating challan through the Ministry's website.</u>	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.1,65,08,4000/- (Out of deposited amount of Rs.3,60,94,832/- for (3) segments) with UTR No.IDIBR5201771 21515415778 , Dt.15.12.2017 towards CA and NPV into the account of Telangana State CAMPA, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, against the project FP/TG/WATER/23807/2017.
(xi)	The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.

(xii)	Tree felling in the proposed forest area shall be carried out wherever necessary, with the prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xiii)	State Forest Department shall carry out translocation of the trees wherever feasible at the cost of User Agency.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xiv)	Wherever necessary, user agency shall provide free supply of water for forest nurseries and field staff quarters and range offices, before providing outlets with small troughs during summer for wild animals in forest areas.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xv)	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xvi)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xvii)	The User Agency shall use existing paths and roads for laying of pipeline and no new paths / roads are to be formed.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xviii)	Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xix)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 9.305 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xx)	User Agency should make provisions for supply of water to wildlife at designated places / along the route passing through forest areas, in consultation with Telangana Forest Department. Such provision should be made at intervals of 2Km each.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxi)	The conditions stipulated by the DFO, Bhupalapally in part II of the application shall be carried out by the State Forest Department at the cost of user agency.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the conditions and deposited Rs.15,00,000/- for constructions of supervisory hut to ensure the protection of Forest and Rs.8,00,000/- for erection of

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		publicity cum awareness boards 30 No's (Part of demand amount Rs.1,65,08,400/- Out of deposited amount of Rs. 3,60,94,832/- including the engaging of protection watchers) in to the account of Telangana State Campa, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, with UTR No. IDIBR52017 121515415778, Dt: 15.12.2017 , against the project FP/TG/WATER/23807/2017
(xxii)	The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation as mentioned by the DFO Bhupalapally Division in Sl. No 12 (v) (a) & (b) of part II i.e. 489.035 ha of forest land and 26.91 ha of non forest land shall be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in the web portal.	The progress of the Compensatory Afforestation will be monitored by the concerned field officers and copy of the monitoring report will be forwarded to the Regional Office, MoEF& CC, Chennai through Nodal Officer for FCA, from time to time besides uploading of the same in web portal.
(xxiii)	User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxiv)	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Addl. PCCF(Central) of Regional Office, Chennai 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.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxv)	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF(Central), Regional Office, Chennai.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.

Further, it is submitted that the stage-I clearance has been published by the User Agency in English and Telugu daily newspapers on **20.01.2018** **(Copies enclosed).**


Further, the GOI vide reference 11th cited have requested to furnish the additional information on all segments of Telangana Drinking Water Supply Projects in a prescribed proforma, for which Stage - I approval has been accorded by the Regional Office. Accordingly, this office vide reference 12th cited has called for the above information on all segments. Now, the CCF / CF, Kothagudem vide reference 13th cited has submitted the additional information in the prescribed proforma (copy enclosed). In addition to the above, the Government of India, has also sought some additional information vide reference 14th cited. Accordingly, the information in enclosed as **Annexure-I**.

In view of the above, the Government are requested to take necessary action for according final (Stage-II) approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and communicate the orders in the matter, at an early date.

Encl:(As above)

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-R.Sobha,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force) (FAC)

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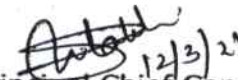
Annexure – I

The gist of the information on Segment 15/1 received from the CCF / CF, Warangal Rc.No.1442/2016/TO, Dated 20-02-2021 is reproduced below:

1,	Whether the user Agency started and / or completed the work before issue of Stage – II or without obtaining working permission after stage – I approval if yes, date of commencement and completion of work.	Yes. The User Agency has started the work. The date of commencement and completion of work is 14.04.2016 and 25.01.2018 respectively.
2.	Whether any show cause notice is issued to the user agency for taking up works before obtaining any working permission	No. No show cause notice issued to the User Agency for taking up work before obtaining any working permission.
3..	Whether there is any deviation noticed in the alignment and construction of pipelines and structures respectively as against the KML files submitted based on which stage I had been approved	There is no deviation noticed in the alignment and constructions of pipelines and structures
4.	Whether there is any extra area / length diverted than the area / length for which stage – I is issued.	No

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STATEMENT

The Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office (SE Zone), Chennai in F.No.4-TSB055/2017-CHN/1953, Dt.18.06.2020 have called for Additional information on all segments. Accordingly, the information in respect of Segment 15/1 (Konampet) received from the concerned Division / Circle is reproduced below for taking necessary action.

S. No.	Name of the proposals and proposals Number	Extent of area diverted	Date of Stage I approval	Copy of the Government order for the Project	Working permission order issued for the proposal, if so, details thereof;	Whether any non forestry work has been started in the diverted area without obtaining working permission / Stage II approval, if yes, details thereof;	Status of the submission of compliance report.
1	Diversion of forest land 9.305 Ha for laying of pipe line and Construction of Structures in Warangal and Karimnagar Circles – Under TDWSP in F/o Supdt. Engineer, Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project (TDWSP), MB Circle, Karimnagar FP/TG/WATER/23807/2017	9.305	12.07.2017	4-TSC082/2017-CHN/1075/, dt:12-07-2017	No	Yes. The User Agency has started the work. The date of commencement and completion of work is 14-04-2016 and 25-01-2018 respectively	Yes, submitted to the PCCF, TS, Hyd, Ref.No.3879/2016/FCA 1. Dt.09.03.2021

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