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Date 11th January, 2023

प्रति/To,

The Additional Secretary to the Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

विषय/Subject: Diversion of 0.9717 Ha (Previously 0.567 Ha) forest land in Tumulur RF of Shamshabad Division for construction of approach road to reach the agricultural and farm lands from Srisailem Highway to Lemoor Village in favour of Tumfor Agrifarms LLP, Shaikpet Nala, Hyderabad-reg

महोदया/Madam,

Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos. 5004/For.I(1)/2022 dated 15.10.2022 and online proposal No. FP/TG/ROAD/42054/2019 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above-mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal submitted by the State Government, I am to convey the Central Government's *in-principle* approval (**Stage-I**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of **0.9717 Ha** (1079.7 mtrs length with 9.00 mtrs width) forest land in Tumulur RF of Shamshabad Forest Division for construction of approach road to reach the agricultural and farm lands from Srisailem Highway to Lemoor Village in favour of Tumfor Agrifarms LLP, Shaikpet Nala, Hyderabad, subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged
2. The DFO/FDO concerned shall ensure that no violation of F(C) Act, 1980 takes place in the proposed forest area till the final approval is accorded by the Central Government.
3. Demarcation of the proposed forest area to be diverted shall be carried out by erecting a see-through wall of concrete and Chain link fencing (as existing on the outer boundary of the forest block) towards the remaining forest land of RF block by the User Agency in consultation with the DFO concerned and report compliance.
4. Compensatory Afforestation
 - a. As per the undertaking submitted by the User Agency, equivalent non- forest land (0.9717 ha) contiguous to existing forest land in Telangana shall be

identified for CA purpose and such non-forest land shall be mutated in favour of the State Forest Department and handed over to the SFD. The SFD shall verify its suitability for CA and if found suitable, prepare CA Scheme for the NFL handed over to SFD and submit the duly approved CA scheme along with the compliance report. The details of non-forest area identified for CA purpose, i.e., Map, CA scheme, kml file, soil suitability certificate etc. shall be submitted along with the compliance report and to be uploaded in the online application

- b. Equivalent non-forest land transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department shall be notified as RF/ PF. A copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the State Forest Act, as the case may be, shall be submitted by the State Government.
- c. The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars if required on the CA land shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.
- d. **As the CA land and scheme are not yet finalized, the State Government shall not handover the forest land to the user agency and also shall not accord working permission in the instant proposal to avoid a situation of *fait accompli* and also ensure that there is no road work carried out in the proposed forest area till the final approval is accorded by the Central Government.**

5. Net Present Value:

- a. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for 0.9717 ha forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30/10/2002, 01/08/2003, 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No. 5-1/1998-FC (Pt.II) dated 18/09/2003, as well as letter No. 5-2/2006- FC dated 03/10/2006, 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 and revised NPV as per the Ministry's guideline No.5- 3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022 and 22.03.2022;
- b. 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. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.



7. User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the forest land proposed to be diverted and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department, where ever required.
8. **No display of advertisement / any such boards, no Ach or any such structure shall be erected/constructed in the forest area approved for diversion.**
9. **The User Agency shall ensure no plastic waste / any garbage dumped in the forest area.**
10. **No parking of vehicles in the forest area is allowed.**
11. **At both ends of the road in forest land, display board clearly indicating the details of diversion and legal status of the land being diverted shall be erected to sensitize the public on applicability of the rules /regulation to be followed inside the forest area.**
13. **The road shall be under the control of forest department and allowed to be used by the general public without any conditions by the User Agency.**
14. Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals;
15. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to designated CAMPA account only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
16. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
17. User agency shall raise strip plantation, wherever possible along the road.
18. Speed regulating signages /speed breakers shall be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Forest Area.
19. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
20. The layout plan/ alignment of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
21. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
22. Sufficient firewood, preferably 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.
23. No additional or new path shall be constructed inside the forest area for transportation


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of construction materials for execution of the project work.

25. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
26. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
27. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guidelines.
28. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
29. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This *in-principle* approval shall be valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this *in-principle* approval shall automatically stand revoked after 2 years. **The user agency shall not execute the work in forest land proposed to be diverted till the final approval is accorded to the proposal by the Central Government.**

Yours faithfully,



(कैलाश भि. भवर, भावसे)

(Kailash B. Bhawar, IFS)

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4. Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Telangana, Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
5. TUMFOR AGRI FARMS LLP, Shaikpet Nala, Hyderabad, Telangana- 500008 sunny-tataiah@gmail.com
6. Guard file.