GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.4264/Section-II/2019

Dated: 30-01-2020

The Special Chief Secretary to Government, EFS&T Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati-522503.

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change. Regional Office, 1st and 2nd Floors, Handloom Export promotion Council Building 34, Cathedral Garden Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 600034 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 0.04 ha (0.02 ha in Kadapa Division and 0.02 ha in Proddatur WL Division) of forest land for erecting obstacle light mast for aviation purpose at Kadapa Airport in favour of Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Kadapa - Proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Reg.

Lr.Rc.No.EFS02-15027/12/2018/FCA-**PCCF** (HoFF), A.P, Ref: From SEC/PCCF/FCA-1, Dt.26-12-2019.

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter cited along with statutory proforma proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Andhra Pradesh, Guntur, for diversion of 0.04 ha. (0.02 ha in Kadapa Division and 0.02 ha in Proddatur WL Division) of forest land for erecting obstacle light mast for aviation purpose at Kadapa Airport in favour of Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Kadapa.

- I wish to inform that the user agency i.e. the Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Kadapa has furnished justification stating that there is no other alternative than the proposed land for erecting obstacle light mast for aviation purpose at Kadapa Airport. The forest land required is bare minimum area for the purpose and there will be no further requirement of additional area. The Divisional Forest Officers, Kadapa and Proddatur WL Division have reported that there is no violation to the provisions under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 within the proposed forest area. The District Collector, Kadapa has issued necessary certificates under Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The proposal has been uploaded in the Ministry's web site and unique No.FP/AP/Others/38959/2019, dt.25.07.2019 and the acknowledgement slip generated on the web portal. The concerned field officers and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), have recommended the proforma proposal in Part-II, III and IV respectively. The recommendation in the proforma Part-V proposal is enclosed herewith.
- I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.04 ha (0.02 ha in Kadapa Division and 0.02 ha in Proddatur WL Division) of forest land for erecting obstacle light mast for aviation purpose at Kadapa Airport in favour of Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Kadapa, at an early date.

Yours faithfully, for Special Chief Secretary to Government

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force),

Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

The Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Kadapa.

PART-V

(To be filled in 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)

Recommendation of the State Government:-18.

(Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-B or Part-C or Part-D above should be specifically commented upon)

(Letter No.4264/Section.II/2019, Dated.30-01-2020 for diversion of 0.04 ha (0.02 ha in Kadapa Division and 0.02 ha in Proddatur WL Division) of forest land for erecting obstacle light mast for aviation purpose at Kadapa Airport in favour of Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Kadapa)

> "Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 0.04 ha of forest land for erecting obstacle light mast for aviation purpose at Kadapa Airport in favour of Airport Director, Airports Authority of India, Kadapa."

> > Signature

Name & Designation

(Official Seal) Dr. P.V. CHALAPATHI RAO, I.F.S., Special Secretary to Government

Environment, Forests, Science and Technology Department

A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi - 522238.

Date: 30.01.2020

Place: Amava Vati