### Government of Maharashtra

No.FLD-2022/CR-83/F-10 Revenue and Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032. Dated:13.06.2022

To,

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

### Subject: Forest Land-Yavatmal

Diversion of 0.60 ha. Reserved Forest Area under Forest (Conservation), 1980 for Construction of Minor Bridge in Chainage K.M. 1/600. Up gradation and Rehabilitation between K.M.1/200 to 1/800 on Wadgaon Jamb, Nakarpardi Road, M.D.R.92 at village Wadgaon Taluka Yavatmal District Yavatmal in the State of Maharashtra (FP/MH/Road/143935/2021).

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Nagpur has submitted proposal for diversion of 0.60 ha. Reserved Forest Area under Forest (Conservation), 1980 for Construction of Minor Bridge in Chainage K.M. 1/600. Up gradation and Rehabilitation between K.M.1/200 to 1/800 on Wadgaon Jamb, Nakarpardi Road, M.D.R.92 at village Wadgaon Taluka Yavatmal District Yavatmal.

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

Item work purpose	District	Taluka	Name of Village	Survey No.	Comptt. No.	Length & Width	Area in (Sq.Mtr)	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
Construction of Minor	Yavatmal	Yavatmal	Wadgaon	48	512	21 x 10	210.00	0.021	Reserved Forest
Bridge & Up- gradation and				49	512	579 x 10	5790.00	0.579	
Rehabilitation of Road				Total Forest Area (ha				0.60	

2. The proposal has been initiated by the Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Division Yavatmal for seeking approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The existing Wadgaon-Jamb-Nakarpardi road is M.D.R.92 which is passing through Yavatmal City and joins Nagpur Bori Tuljapur Road i.e. N.H.361, which is very important and having heavy traffic. There are many important places such as Forest Rest House, Medicinal Plant Garden (of Forest Dept.), Govt. offices, Schools, Colleges and Marriage Halls are connected by this

road. The remaining road has been widened except from K.M. 1/200 to 1/800 i.e. 600 mtr of Forest Land. The User Agency has certified that the forest land admeasuring 0.60 ha. is the minimum demand for the project. The project road serves as to bring their (farmers) agricultural products to the nearest market place at Yavatmal city. The construction of this Minor Bridge at K.M.1/200 to 1/800 on Wadgaon Jamb, Nakarpardi Road, M.D.R.92 at village Wadgaon Taluka Yavatmal will make this road all weather sustainable. This will also be benefiting for the local people to approach Medical and Educational Institution. No trees will be felled during the construction of the Minor Bridge. The total non-forest involved in project is 0.00 ha.

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

- 3.1 No suitable alternate land is available and the forest land required is the barest minimum.
- 3.2 The area belongs to Eco-value class-III and having density of forest is 0.4 (Dense Forest).
- 3.3 No Tree felling involved in project.
- 3.4 There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.
- 3.5 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.
- 3.6 Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archaeological or recreational importance.
- 3.7 Proposed project area for the project is not within 05 km from National Park / Wildlife Sanctuary and beyond 60 Km. of the Protected Area.
- 3.8 The area involved in the project does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 3.9 The N.P.V. has been calculated as per guidelines dtd.6<sup>th</sup> January 2022.
- 3.10 The information regarding proposed Compensatory Afforestation over 1.20 ha. is shown below and it is contiguous, suitable for afforestation and management purpose and it is free from encroachment and an encumbrances.

Sr. No.	Range	Village	Round	Beat	Comptt. No.	Area in Ha.
1	Yavatmal	Pimalgaon	Waghapur	Waghapur	488	1.20
	Tuvumu				Total	1.20

3.11 There is no alternative alignment is possible to avoid or minimize use of forest land and the required forest area is minimum needed for the purpose of proposed project.

# 4. The User Agency has submitted an undertaking:-

- 4.1 to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.
- 4.2 to defray the cost of Net Present Value determined by the Forest Dept.
- Collector, Pune has issued certificate under Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.

- 6. 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.
- 7. In the circumstances explained in aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted on 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 approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

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. Certificate in Part V.

#### Copy:

- 1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & C.E.O, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur
- Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/Nodal/Yavatmal/ID-13257/2779/2021-22, Dt.25.03.2022
- 4. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Yavatmal
- 5. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Yavatmal
- 6. Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Division Yavatmal
- 7. Select File (F-10)

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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-2022/ CR-83/F-10

Dated: 13/06/2022

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