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Date 13th December, 2018

To,

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

Subject: Diversion of 62.5749 ha (revised from 62.25 ha) of forest land for construction of four laning of NH 363 Hyderabad-Karimnagar-Chanda Road from KM 0.000 (KM 251.900) to KM 94.602 (Km 342.000) in favour of DGM (Tech.) & Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Nirmal-reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. 3905/For.I(1)/2018 dated 25.09.2018 and online proposal No. FP/TG/ROAD/32342/2018 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.

As recommended by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC), I am directed to convey the Central Government's in principle approval (**Stage-I**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 62.5749 ha (revised from 62.25 ha) of forest land for construction of four laning of NH 363 Hyderabad-Karimnagar-Chanda Road from KM 0.000 (KM 251.900) to KM 94.602 (Km 342.000) in favour of DGM (Tech.) & Project Director, NHAI, PIU, Nirmal, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency;
- (iii) The State Forest Department shall carry out Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over **33.00 ha** in Compt No 417 in Tungeda RF, Tungeda Beat, Tekkalapalli Section of Rebbena Range of Asifabad Division and **94.00 ha** in Compt No 677, 709 & 711 of Indaram RF, Sarangapalli Beat and Indaram Beat of Mancherial Division, at the cost of the User Agency;

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- (iv) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring **62.5749 ha** from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995;
- (v) 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. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (vi) The funds received from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value and any money received in compliance of the conditions stipulated by the Central Government under this project shall compulsorily be deposited in to the **"State Compensatory Afforestation Fund of Telangana State" only**;
- (vii) The User Agency shall endeavor to avoid felling of trees existing on the forest land proposed to be utilized. Wherever necessary, the trees should be felled under the strict supervision of the DFO/ FDO concerned;
- (viii) Wherever feasible the State Forest Department shall carry out translocation of trees instead of resorting to felling, at the cost of the User Agency;
- (ix) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- (x) The 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;
- (xi) The height of the culverts to be constructed both in the forest and nearby non forest area shall be kept at least 2.75 meters and the width shall be kept 4 meters at suitable locations as per the norms prescribed by the Wildlife Institute of India and related guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC, in consultation with the Forest Department to facilitate crossing of Wild animals;
- (xii) Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;

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- (xiii) The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area proposed;
- (xiv) The User Agency shall arrange to raise strip plantation on either side of the road and also on the central verge at the project cost and maintain the same for 7- 10 years;
- (xv) There shall be speed breaker on the road within the wildlife areas / Wildlife crossings, along with signage boards at frequent intervals at the project cost;
- (xvi) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xvii) The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;
- (xviii) Disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- (xix) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **62.5749 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (xx) 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;
- (xxi) 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;
- (xxii) 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;
- (xxiii) The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation under the jurisdiction of Mancherial, Asifabad and Bellampally Forest Divisions shall be monitored by

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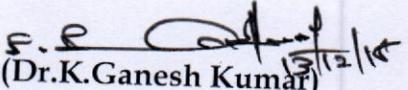
the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in the web portal;

(xxiv) No working permit shall be issued by the State Government before submission of RoFR certificate etc for the entire area and NBWL clearance for the area falling in Tiger corridor of Kawal Tiger Reserve;

(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.

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 5 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 5 years.

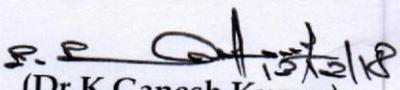
Yours faithfully,


(Dr.K.Ganesh Kumar)

Deputy Conservator of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Director General of Forests & Special Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi - 110 003
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Telangana Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
3. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Telangana, Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
4. The Director, RO(HQ) Division, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi - 110 003.
5. The DGM, National Highways Authority of India, Project Implementation Unit, H.No. 1-2, 21/K16/18, L.K. Towers, 2nd Floor, Shivaji Chowk, Nirmal District, Telangana-504106.
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