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To,

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

Subject: Diversion of 6.3099 HA of Forest land for widening and formation of BT road from Muthnoor to Fakheernaik thanda of Sirikonda Mandal of Sirichelma RF of Utnoor FDPT of Adilabad District in favour of District Panchayat Raj Engineer, Adilabad - reg..

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.2032/For.I(1)/2021 dated 22.06.2021 and the letter No.7365/2020/FCA-2 of PCCF (HoFF) Telangana dated 06.07.2021 and online proposal No.FP/TG/ROAD/49729/2020 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 of the State Government and as recommended by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC), I am to convey the Central Government's in principle approval (**Stage-I**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of **6.3099 ha** of Forest land for widening and formation of BT road from Muthnoor to Fakheernaik thanda of Sirikonda Mandal of Sirichelma RF of Utnoor FDPT of Adilabad District in favour of District Panchayat Raj Engineer, Adilabad, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) 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 the User Agency;
- (iii) The State Forest Department shall carry out activities like erecting chain link fencing, boundary pillars and SMC works i.e., SCTs etc., and taking up cultural operations and fire management works as proposed in the CA scheme, at the cost of the user agency over an extent of **6.3099 ha** out of **59.468 ha** identified non-forest land in Sy.No. 86 of Girgaon Village of Tamsi Mandal of Adilabad Range falling in Adilabad division, in lieu of various road proposals under PMGSY Scheme of Panchayathi Raj Department;

- (iv) As the State Government proposed to carryout compensatory afforestation in the degraded forest area, the State Forest Department shall carryout compensatory afforestation i.e. 1111 per ha over an extent of **50.00 ha (identified for various PMGSY road proposals)** in degraded forest land identified in Compt.243 of Mavala Beat of Adilabad Section & Compt. No.248 of Beat of Adilabad Section of Adilabad Range of Adilabad Division falling in Mavala RF
- (v) Non forest area and degraded forest land identified for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (vi) Entire non-forests land identified for raising compensatory afforestation over an extent of **59.468 ha** identified in Sy.No. 86 of Girgaon Village of Tamsi Mandal of Adilabad Range falling in Adilabad division, in lieu of various road proposals under PMGSY Scheme of Panchayathi Raj Departmen tshall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department and same 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 before issuing of **Stage II approval**. A copy of the original notification shall be submitted along with the compliance report to this office for information and record;
- (vii) The PCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA) of the State of Telangana shall instruct all the field level officers to implement the CA scheme in its entirety as per the proposal and no CA amount should be left unspent;
- (viii) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring **6.3099 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;
- (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 the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (x) All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);
- (xi) As reported, the forest area proposed for diversion is black cotton soil with undulating terrain and also hilly at some portion which is moderately prone for soil erosion. Hence, suitable measures shall be implemented to arrest the soil erosion, at the cost of the User Agency in consultation with the DFO concerned;

- (xii) **No working permission shall be accorded by the State Government without obtaining approval from competent authority i.e. SC-NBWL; Also levies as mentioned in (ii), (iii), (iv) & (viii) shall not be collected from the User Agency until permission from SC-NBWL is obtained.**
- (xiii) All conditions to be imposed by the SC-NBWL shall be complied by the State Govt. / User Agency;
- (xiv) **In case, SC-NBWL not recommend the subject proposal then the Stage-I approval accorded under FCA, 1980 will stand revoked automatically;**
- (xv) The State Government shall consult experts in the field of wildlife conservation such as WII etc. and shall prepare a revised comprehensive mitigation plan considering the overall impact of upgradation of roads (total number of roads in different stretches proposed for diversion) within the Kawal Tiger Reserve areas and the State Forest Department shall implement such plan in planned manner at the cost of the User Agency. **Revised comprehensive mitigation plan may be submitted to SC-NBWL for concurrence;**
- (xvi) Required number of Animal Passages with appropriate specifications as per the MoEF and WII guidelines shall be constructed at the cost of the User Agency as per the comprehensive wildlife mitigation plan to be prepared in Sl.No.(xv).
- (xvii) The User Agency shall carry out work of upgradation between **7 AM to 4 PM** only;
- (xviii) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- (xix) The following conditions as recommended by the Conservator of Forests, Adilabad shall be complied by the User Agency;
 - a. All the debris at the site of construction of under passes shall be removed immediately after construction;
 - b. The culverts across the streams shall be maintained and desilting shall be done once in 04 months to prevent sand/silt deposition for easy wildlife movement;
 - c. Kindling of any fire in forest shall not be allowed;
 - d. Speed breakers shall be provided for every 500 M length to control the speed;
 - e. Signage on speed limit and wildlife movement/ protection shall be placed at every 500 m on both sides of the road;
- (xx) 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;

- (xxi) 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;
- (xxii) The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;
- (xxiii) **“Carriage way” of the road shall be restricted to 3.00 mtrs width, with the overall road width of 6m as per IRC:SP: 20-2002;**
- (xxiv) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xxv) 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;
- (xxvi) 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;
- (xxvii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **6.3099 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (xxviii) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (xxix) 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;
- (xxx) The 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;
- (xxxi) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad 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;

(xxxii) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions and guidelines of the FCA, 1980.

(xxxiii) The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online(<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 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,

Sd/-
(R.Hemanth Kumar)
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