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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,
 Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,
 M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi,
 Bangalore – 560 001.

Subject: Diversion of 0.0647 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 64 of Sulkeri Mogru village, Naravi RF, Belthangady Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District for laying /establishing of 11 KV H/T, AB Bunch Cable transmission line from Sulkeri Mogru to Panjala & Mallige enclosure passing through Naravi RF, Karkala Wildlife Division, Belthangady Taluk, D.K. District in favour of the Assistant Executive Engineer (Ele) MESCOM O&M Sub-Division, Belthangady, Karnataka. (Online Proposal No.FP/KA/TRANS/23117/2016) - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. FEE 145 FGL 2017 dated 09/02/2018, 22.10.2018, 30.01.2020, 14.05.2020, 25.11.2021 and proposal received online through Parivesh Portal on 01.03.2025 seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for the above project.

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government, in-principle approval /Stage-I clearance of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **0.0647 ha.** of forest land in Sy.No. 64 of Sulkeri Mogru village, Naravi RF, Belthangady Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District for laying /establishing of 11 KV H/T, AB Bunch Cable transmission line from Sulkeri Mogru to Panjala & Mallige enclosure passing through Naravi RF, Karkala Wildlife Division, Belthangady Taluk, D.K. District in favour of the Assistant Executive Engineer (Ele) MESCOM O&M Sub Division, Belthangady, Karnataka, subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. The user agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated by the

Standing committee of National Board of Wildlife for this project.

4. The User agency shall furnish an undertaking to provide CA land to compensate forest land being diverted by giving equal extent of Non Forest land and cost of raising CA, if determined by Hon'ble Supreme Court /MoEF&CC.
5. The User Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal as per the guideline issued by Ministry vide letter No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022 and as per the provision of Chapter 3 of the consolidated Guidelines and Clarification issued vide MoEF&CC order dated 29.12.2023.
6. At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
7. Cost of raising ten times number of trees to be felled (subject to minimum number of 100 plants (including maintenance) shall be realized from the user agency towards compensatory Afforestation.
8. Location of the area (Map with DGPS coordinates) identified for raising the CA plantation shall be furnished along with compliance report.
9. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited in CAMPA account only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance.
10. The KML file of the forest area to be diverted and area identified for raining plantation shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details and same shall be submitted along with GPS id.
11. The user agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.
12. The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas as per the chapter 10 of consolidated guidelines and clarification issued under VSES Adhinyam 1980 and VSES rule 2023.
13. The user agency in consultation with the State Forest Department prepare a detailed scheme for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in right of way under transmission line for execution of the said scheme to the State Forest Department.
14. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
15. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
16. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
17. No additional or new paths will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
18. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
19. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.0647 ha. The user agency shall furnish the undertaking to this effect.
20. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
21. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused
22. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.

23. The User Agency shall submit the annual self -compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Bangalore by the end of March every year.
24. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
25. The user agency shall comply with all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
26. The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with.
27. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
28. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

After receipt of compliance report on fulfilment of the conditions mentioned above, the proposal shall be considered for final approval under Section-2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980. Transfer of forest land shall not be effected till final approval is granted by the Central Government in this regard.

Further, it may also be noted that 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 within 2 years, the in-principle approval shall be deemed to be null and void.

Yours faithfully,

(B.N. Anjan Kumar)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Executive Officer, National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change, 3rd Floor (Front Portion), Supreme Court Metro Station Building (Line-3), New Delhi-110 001.
2. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FC) /Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
5. The Assistant Executive Engineer (Ele), Mangalore Electricity Supply Company Ltd (MESCOM) O&M Sub Division, Belthangady, Dakshina Kannada -574 241. Karnataka.
6. Guard file.