

F. No. 833/2018-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
(F.C. Division)

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15/6/2018

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Gujarat,
Gandhi Nagar.

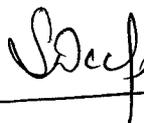
Sub: Diversion of 64.00 ha Reserved Forest land for Tiger Interpretation Safari Park at Kakadiya village, Tilakwada Ta. Of Narmada District in favour of Conservator of Forests, Wildlife Circle, Vadodara.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. FCA-1018/10-49/17/S.F-36/F dated 07.03.2018 on the subject mentioned above seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal has been examined by the Forest Advisory Committee constituted by the Central Government under Section-3 of the aforesaid Act.

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government and on the basis of the recommendations of the Forest Advisory Committee, *In-principle approval/Stage-I Clearance* of the Central Government is hereby granted for diversion of 64.00 ha Reserved Forest land for Tiger Interpretation Safari Park at Kakadiya village, Tilakwada Ta. Of Narmada District in favour of Conservator of Forests, Wildlife Circle, Vadodara subject to the following conditions:

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) **The non-forestry use of the area sought for diversion shall not be more than 15 percent of the proposed Tiger Interpretation Safari Park.**
- (iii) **State Government shall pay NPV for 15 percent area which is being used for non-forestry purpose.**
- (iv) **Compensatory afforestation shall be done over degraded forest area equivalent to 30 per cent of total area sought for diversion.**
- (v) **State Government shall submit detailed land use plan duly approved by CZA prior to stage II approval.**
- (vi) **State Government shall submit compliance of FRA (in accordance with Guidelines of MoEF&CC) before State-II approval.**
- (vii) **State Government shall submit Cost Benefit Analysis (in accordance with Guidelines of MoEF&CC) before State-II approval**
- (viii) The User Agency shall transfer the funds at the rate of 15 per cent of total Net Present Value (NPV) of the entire proposed area as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide its letter No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 05.02.2009 through online portal of Ad-hoc CAMPA account of the State Concerned;


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- (ix) **For establishing the Tiger Interpretation Safari Park, the necessary clearance from Central Zoo Authority shall be obtained before seeking Stage-II clearance;**
- (x) The land identified for the purpose of CA shall be clearly depicted on a Survey of India topo-sheet of 1:50,000 scale;
- (xi) The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the admissible compensatory afforestation at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;
- (xii) At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the present 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;
- (xiii) **The user agency should ensure that the compensatory levies (CA cost, NPV, etc.) are deposited through challan generated online on web portal and deposited in appropriate bank online only. Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage- I clearance;**
- (xiv) User agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;
- (xv) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;
- (xvi) User agency shall provide firewood preferably alternate fuel to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the adjacent forest areas;
- (xvii) Forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal;
- (xviii) The user agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and this Ministry by the end of March every year regularly;
- (xix) Any other condition that the concerned Regional Office of this Ministry, may stipulate, from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife; and
- (xx) The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

After receipt of compliance report on fulfilment of the conditions mentioned above, the proposal shall be considered for final approval under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Transfer of forest land shall not be affected till final approval is granted by the Central Government in this regard.

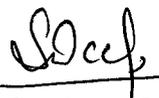
Yours faithfully,


 (Sandeep Sharma) 15.6.18

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

- 1) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Gujarat, Gandhi Nagar.
- 2) The Addl. PCCF (Central), Regional Office of MoEF&CC, Bhopal.
- 3) The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o the PCCF, Government of Government of Gujarat, Gandhi Nagar.
- 4) The User Agency.
- 5) Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
- 6) Guard File.


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