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To,

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Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Room No.268, 1st Floor, 4th Block,
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati Guntur District-
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Subject: Diversion of 0.85 ha of forest land in compartment No.132, Mangalagiri Block, Tadepalli RF, Guntur for providing BT surface to the road from Brahmanandapuram Church to AIIMS road in favour of Municipal Commissioner, Tadepalli Municipality, Tadepalli-Reg

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.1008/Section. II/2021 dated 07.07.2021 and online proposal No. FP/AP/ROAD/64525/2020 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, I am to convey Central Government's in-principle **(Stage-I)** approval under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.85 ha of forest land in compartment No.132, Mangalagiri Block, Tadepalli RF, Guntur for providing BT surface to the road from Brahmanandapuram Church to AIIMS road in favour of Municipal Commissioner, Tadepalli Municipality, Tadepalli, 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;

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- (iii) Ten times of the trees to be felled in the diverted forest area shall be planted and maintained by the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency;
- (iv) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring **0.85 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) 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/>);
- (vii) The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas;
- (viii) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;
- (ix) **User Agency shall provide, chain link fence or compound wall along the boundary of the RF on the northern side, to protect the strip of RF area as recommended by the DFO, Guntur;**
- (x) **The DFO, Guntur Forest Division reported that along southern boundary of the road the electricity department laid electrical poles and electrical line (11 KV) by violating the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Hence, it is to inform that the forest area utilized for laying of electrical pole and line shall not be treated as diverted under FCA, 1980 and the State Government shall initiate action against violators and may direct the electricity department to remove the their assets. In case, the Electricity Department interested in the project, may direct to apply proposal seeking approval from the competent authority under FCA, 1980;**


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- (xi) The User Agency shall raise avenue plantation on both sides of the road wherever possible at the project cost;
- (xii) Wherever feasible, translocation of trees may be carry out at the cost of the User Agency;
- (xiii) 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 animal;
- (xiv) 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;
- (xv) The dug out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;
- (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 **0.85 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;
- (xx) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (xxi) 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;



(xxii) 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;

(xxiii) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada 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;

(xxiv) 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 Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

(xxv) 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,



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Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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