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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 0.7527 ha. (Gadag Division 0.4927 ha. and Bagalkote Division 0.26 ha.) of forest land in Sy.No.44, Bommasagar Village, Ron Tq. Gadag District and in Sy.No.189- Belur, Sy.No.18- Jalihal, Sy.No.3- Chikkanasabi villages in Badami Taluk, Bagalkot District for construction of Water Treatment Plant, Master Balancing Reservoir and laying of pipeline for Multi Village Water Supply Scheme to Sarjapur and other 16 villages, Ron Taluk, Gadag District - Reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE 41 FLL 2015 dated 30.06.2015 & online proposal submitted by State Government vide proposal No.FP/KA/WATER/8136/2014 dated 17/08/2015 seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in respect of the project cited.

After careful consideration of the proposal, I am directed to convey Central Government's approval in-principle (Stage-I) under Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.7527 ha. (Gadag Division 0.4927 ha. and Bagalkote Division 0.26 ha.) of forest land in Sy.No.44, Bommasagar Village, Ron Tq. Gadag District and in Sy.No.189- Belur, Sy.No.18- Jalihal, Sy.No.3- Chikkanasabi villages in Badami Taluk, Bagalkot District for construction of Water Treatment Plant, Master Balancing Reservoir and laying of pipeline for Multi Village Water Supply Scheme to Sarjapur and other 16 villages, Ron Taluk, Gadag District for a period of 20 years subject to the following conditions:-

- 1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 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, before Stage-II approval.
- Cost of raising penal Compensatory Afforestation over 1 ha. of degraded forest land shall be realized from User Agency. The details of degraded forest land selected for raising C.A shall also be furnished.
- The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 0.7527 ha. from 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.

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- 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.
- 6. The funds received from User Agency towards penal Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value under this project shall be deposited either in SB A/c No.SB01025213 CAF Karnataka, Corporation Bank, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003 (RTGS/IFSC No.CORP0000371) or in SB A/c No.344902010105 421 KARNATAKA CAMPA, Union Bank of India, Sundar Nagar, New Delhi-110003 (RTGS/IFSC No.UBIN0534498). The details of deposition of funds including, inter-alia the DD Numbers & date, Amount, the Bank on which drawn and the date of deposition in the designated Bank shall also be furnished.
- 7. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.7527 ha.
- Any other condition that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore may impose from time to time for protection, improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area and public convenience, shall also be applicable.

After receipt of the compliance report on conditions No.(2) to (6), the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of five years. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after five years.

Yours faithfully.

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(S.M. Somashekar) Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

- The Director General of Forests & Special Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
- The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
- The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
- 4. The Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water and Sanitation Division, Gadag District.
- 5. Guard file.

(S.M. Somashekar) Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)

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