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To
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<u>Lr.No.CE/KPH/DCE/DEE-1/AEE-2/ForestLandPro/2017/235 Date: 13-02-2017</u> Sir,

Sub: Irrigation& CAD Dept., - Kaleshwaram Project - Submission of Proposals for Diversion of **3221.2974 Ha.** ofForest land in 8 Forest Divisionsinvolving in Kaleshwaram Project - Requested - Reg.

Ref: 1. T.O Lr.No.CE/Dr.BRAPCSS/DEE-2/AEE-7/Forest-Land/2014, dt10.11.2014 2. T.OLr.No.CE/Dr.BRAPCSS/DEE1/AEE2/Forest-Land/2016, dt26.05.2016

3. PCCF Ref.No.32443/2011/FCA-1/TS, dated 09.06.2016.

Earlier, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Pranahita – Chevella Sujala Sravanthi project was proposed for diversion of 160 TMC of water by constructing a barrage with FRL +152.00m across river Pranahita near the confluence of rivers Wardha and Wainganga at TummidiHetti (V), Koutala(M), Adilabad District of Telangana State. It further utilizes 20 TMC of water from River Godavari at Sripada Yellampally Project. This project was planned to provide Irrigation facilities for an ayacut of 16,40,000 Acres (6,63,000 ha) in drought prone areas in seven Districts in Telangana State utilizing 5 online balancing reservoirs of other projects and seven newly proposed reservoirs. Further, the project also envisages provision for drinking water to the enroute villages (10 TMC), water for industrial requirements (16 TMC) and drinking water to twin cities of Hyderabad & Secunderabad (30 TMC).

The project was divided into 7 links and 28 packages. There are various components of works involved in this project in each package viz., Approach channels, Gravity canals, Tunnels, Lift system and allied works, Reservoirs & Distributory network system.

The proposed activities pass through the forest areas at certain reaches. Hence requires clearances under the Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 and Environmental (Protection) Act,1986.

The proposal for diversion of 3170.444 ha of forest land in different Reserved Forests of 9 forest divisions was submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad vide reference 1st cited for diversion of forest land.

In the reference 2nd cited, it was requested to withdraw the proposals submitted vide reference 1st cited because of re-designing of the project due to inter-state issue of submergence of land in Maharashtra State, inadequate water availability at source and increased storage requirements of reservoirs in the project. The withdrawal of proposal was accepted by the PCCF vide reference 3rd cited.

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Kaleshwaram Project is an off-shoot of Dr.B.R.A.P.C.S.S. Project after re-engineering by the Irrigation & CAD Department. This Project envisages construction of barrage across river Godavari at Medigadda near Kaleshwaram, and two more barrages between Medigadda and Sripada Yellampally Project at Annaram village & Sundilla village and to convey water to the command area spread over in 13 districts of Telangana through components such as canals, tunnels, lift systems, reservoirs, and distributory network for irrigating an ayacut of 18,25,700 acres. Project Cost Estimate is worked out toRs. 80,499.71 Crores.

Now, the ETS & DGPS Survey is conducted in respect of revised scope of project and proposals for diversion are prepared. The details of forest land requirement forest divisionwise are as follows:

DISTRICT	DIVISION	PACKAGE NO	AREA (Ha)
JAYASHANKER BHUPALPALLY	MAHADEVPUR	MEDIGADDA BARRAGE & LIFT SYSTEM	338.4826
RAJANNA SIRCILLA	KARIMNAGAR + SIRICILLA	9,10	445.9565
SIDDIPET	SIDDIPET	10, 12, 14, 15	1407.439
YADADRI BHONGIR	YADADRI	14, 15	109.5738
MEDAK	MEDAK	18	194.0711
NIZAMABAD	NIZAMABAD	21, 22	299.0638
KAMAREDDY	BANSWADA	22	104.1542
NIRMAL	NIRMAL	27	322.5574
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The present proposal is finalized with a minimum total diversion of forest land of about 3221.2974 Ha.

As per the provision of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the Rules, Guidelines, Circulars issued therein, the user agency who wants to use any forest land for non-forest purpose, the proposals shall be submitted for the **entire project in totality** to the concerned Nodal officer authorized by the State Government i.e., Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Hyderabad, Telangana.

The total requirement of diversion of forest land is about 3221.2974 Ha spreading over 8 Divisional forest units and 10 Packages. The diversion of forest land proposals as per the F(C) Act,1980for each divisional forest unit shall be prepared duly marking the canals, Tunnels, Reservoirs on the relevant forest maps in separate booklets. Hence, the earlier proposals submitted separately for Package – 9 & 10 are withdrawn.

In this connection, I furnish herewith the forest proposals of 8 forest divisions as above for diversion of forest land.

The general report accompanying the forest proposals of diversion of forest land of each forest division is enclosed in booklets separately. The diversion of forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than specified in the proposal i.e., for the purpose of Kaleshwaram Project.

The total non-forest Compensatory Afforestation lands 3221.2974 Ha are required for this project, out of which 2220.387 Ha were already verified and Authenticated by the Forest Department and for the balance 1000.9104 Ha CA land, a joint survey (ETS & DGPS/GNSS Survey) by I&CAD Department and Forest Department is under progress.

Hence, it is requested to kindly divert the forest land of above 8 forest division sat an early date for the execution of the project.

Encl:

- 1. Booklets 8 x 7 Nos.
- 2. CA lands booklets -3 x 7 Nos.

Yours faithfully

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Hyderabad.