GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.839/Section-II/2018

Dated: 09-01-2019

From

The Principal Secretary to Government, EFS&T Department, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,

Amaravati-522503

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)

Government of India,

Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change.

Regional Office, 1st and 2nd Floors,

Handloom Export promotion Council Building

34, Cathedral Garden Road,

Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600034 (w.e)

Sir.

Sub: Diversion of 4.88 Ha of Forest Land in Compt. No.425,426 & 427 of Nanda RF, Vizianagaram Division for construction of Mini Hydel Project (3x4000 KW) 12.00 MW on Gomukhi River near Thonam village of Salur Mandal, in favaour of M/s Mohanarupa Power Project (Pvt.) Ltd - Proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Reg.

Ref: From PCCF (HoFF), A.P., Lr.Rc.No.10405/2014/FCA-3, dt.02-02-2018

I am to enclose herewith a copy of the letter cited along with statutory proforma proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, for diversion of 4.88 Ha of Forest Land in Compt. No.425,426 & 427 of Nanda RF, Vizianagaram Division for construction of Mini Hydel Project (3x4000 KW) 12.00 MW on Gomukhi River near Thonam village of Salur Mandal, in favaour of M/s Mohanarupa Power Project (Pvt.) Ltd.

- I wish to inform that the user agency i.e. M/s Mohanarupa Power Project (Pvt.) Ltd. has furnished justification stating that the proposed gomukhi Hydro Power Project (3x4000Kw) 12 MW is located in the Nanda Reserve Forest on gomukhi river near Thonam (V), Saluru (M), Vizianagaram District. The proposed location is having steep gradient, i.e. at Weir sited the EL is 329.00mts and at Tail race it is 192.00 mts. The Head is about 137.00 mts. Due to continuous flow of the water throughout the year and due to High Head the area is proposed. The Power generated from the project can be utilized for the proposed and running industries located in the back ward Vizianagaram District and due to the construction of the project the local tribal people will get direct benefits by way of Employment in the project. The concerned District Collector has issued necessary certificates under Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The proposal has been uploaded on the Ministry's web site and unique file No. FP/AP/HYD/8384/2014 has been generated. The concerned field officers and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), have recommended the proforma proposal in Part- II, III and IV respectively. The recommendation of State Govt. in the proforma Part-V proposal is enclosed herewith.
- I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 4.88 Ha of Forest Land in Compt. No.425,426 & 427 of Nanda RF, Vizianagaram Division for construction of Mini Hydel Project (3x4000 KW) 12.00 MW on Gomukhi River near Thonam village of Salur Mandal, in favaour of M/s Mohanarupa Power Project (Pvt.) Ltd, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,
for Principal Secretary to Government

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force),

Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.(w.e)- He is requested to take action to upload the proposal in the website of Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, including Part-V as enclosed.

M/s Mohanarupa Power Project (Pvt.) Ltd, Thonam village, Salur Mandal, Vizianagaram Dt.

PART-V

(To be filled in by the Secretary in charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an

18. Recommendation of the State Government:

(Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-B or Part-C or Part-D above should be specifically commented upon)

(Letter No.839/Section-II/2018, Dated.09-01-2019 for diversion of 4.88 Ha of Forest Land in Compt. No.425,426 & 427 of Nanda RF, Vizianagaram Division for construction of Mini Hydel Project (3x4000 KW) 12.00 MW on Gomukhi River near Thonam Village of Salur Mandal, in favour of M/s Mohanapura Power Project (Pvt.) Ltd)

"Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 4.88 Ha of Forest Land for construction of Mini Hydel Project (3x4000 KW) 12.00 MW in favour of M/s Mohanapura Power Project Private Limited".

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Name & Designation

(Official Seal)

Date: 09 - 01 - 2019 2. Q. ANANTHA RAMU, I.A.S., Principal Secretary to Government Environment, Forests, Science & Place: Amaravati Technology Department A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh