

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

Letter No.1989/Section-II/2022/1823309

Dated:22.09.2022

From
The Special Chief Secretary to Government
EFS&T Department,
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,
Amaravati-522503.

To
The Inspector General of Forests (Central),
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Integrated Regional Office,
Green House Complex,
Gopal Reddy Road, Vijayawada-520010 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: EFS&T Dept. – Diversion of 0.43 ha. of forest land in Compartment no.354 & 355 of Sirivel Extn.II RF, Nuthala North Beat, Rudravaram Range, Nandyal (WLM) Division, Kurnool District for construction of intake well & Raw water pumping main for providing water supply scheme to the Allagadda town with Gandaleru Reservoir (Thundlavagu) in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Health, Kurnool – Forest Clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Reg.

Ref: From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15021/1/2020-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, Dated:23.08.2022.

I enclose herewith a copy of the reference 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, Guntur, for diversion of 0.43 ha. of forest land in Compartment no.354 & 355 of Sirivel Extn.II RF, Nuthala North Beat, Rudravaram Range, Nandyal (WLM) Division, Kurnool District for construction of intake well & Raw water pumping main for providing water supply scheme to the Allagadda town with Gandaleru Reservoir (Thundlavagu) in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Health, Kurnool.

2. I am to inform that the User Agency i.e., Executive Engineer, Public Health, Kurnool has initiated a proposal on 24.06.2021 (Unique no. FP/AP/WATER/143980/2022) in the PARIVESH portal for seeking prior permission of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.43 ha. of forest land in Compartment no.354 & 355 of Sirivel Extn.II RF, Nuthala North Beat, Rudravaram Range, Nandyal (WLM) Division, Kurnool District for construction of intake well & Raw water pumping main for providing water supply scheme to the Allagadda town with Gandaleru Reservoir (Thundlavagu). He has furnished justification stating that present population of Allagadda Nagar Panchayat is 44,005 as per 2011 census and for them 45 LPCD (litres per Capita per day) of water is being provided. Presently, the ground water level in bore wells is 50 m. Now, the present population requires 7.82 MLD raw water and 7.45 MLD clear water. The ground water available have more hardness and fluoride mineral is beyond permissible limit and hence health of the public is being affected. The reliability on ground water is not acceptable. Hence, there is a need for selection of surface source to supply portable water. The source of Gandaleru Reservoir which is 19 km away from Allagadda Town has been identified as reliable one for the water needs of Allagadda Town. The Allagadda town is facing serious drinking water problem during summer season. Hence, scheme is contemplated to draw water source from Gandaleru Reservoir for the purpose of extending required quantity of water supply to the Allagadda town to make the scheme more reliable. Part of the raw water pumping main &

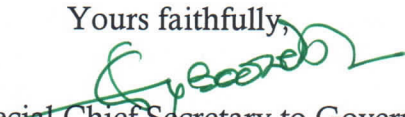
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construction of intake well fall under Compartment No.354 & 355 of SirivellaExtn.II RF, Nuthala North Beat, Rudravaram Range, Nandyal WL Division. The forest area over an extent of 0.43 ha (pipeline – 0.26 ha & Intake well area – 0.17 ha) is found to be the best possible way without increasing the length of the pipeline. Further, he has justified that all efforts were put to avoid forest land but they could not avoid the forest land totally. Further, he has stated that there is no other alternative for the project. He has also furnished RoFR Certificate as required under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in Form-II issued by the District Collector, Kurnool and undertakings to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation, payment of NPV and addl.NPV etc.

3. Further, I am to inform that the Divisional Forest Officer, Nandyal WL has recommended the proposal in part-II. The Conservator of Forests, Kurnool Circle, Kurnool has agreed with the information provided by the DFO, Nandyal WL in Part-II and recommended the in part-III. The Nodal Officer(FCA) has recommended the proposal in Part-IV. The State Government of Andhra Pradesh recommends the proposal in Part-V, which is enclosed herewith.

4. I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.43 ha. of forest land in Compartment no.354 & 355 of Sirivel Extn.II RF, Nuthala North Beat, Rudravaram Range, Nandyal (WLM) Division, Kurnool District for construction of intake well & Raw water pumping main for providing water supply scheme to the Allagadda town with Gandaleru Reservoir (Thundlavagu) in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Health, Kurnool, at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,


for Special Chief Secretary to Government

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

The Executive Engineer, Public Health, Kurnool.

PART-V

Proposal for diversion of 0.43 ha. of forest land in Compartment no.354 & 355 of Sirivel Extn.II RF, Nuthala North Beat, Rudravaram Range, Nandyal (WLM) Division, Kurnool District for construction of intake well & Raw water pumping main for providing water supply scheme to the Allagadda town with Gandaleru Reservoir (Thundlavagu) in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Health, Kurnool.

18.	Recommendation of the State Government	Recommended
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Signature

Dr. P.V. CHALAPATHI RAO, I.F.S.,
Social Secretary to Government
Environment, Forests, Science
and Technology Department
Secretariat, Velagapudi - 522238.

Official Seal

Date: 22-09-2022

Place: AMARAVATI