

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

Letter No.1924/Section-II/2022/1820662

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 4.84 ha of forest land in compartment No.102, Janapadu RF, Guntur Division for quarry lease for Limestone (Minor) in favour of Sri G.Pavan Kumar Reddy – Forest Clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Reg.

Ref: From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P.,Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15029/7/2021-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, dated:12.08.2022.

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 4.84 ha of forest land in compartment No.102, Janapadu RF, Guntur Division for quarry lease for Limestone (Minor) in favour of Sri G.Pavan Kumar Reddy, Piduguralla, Guntur District.

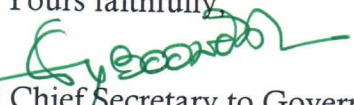
2. I am to inform that the User Agency i.e., Sri G. Pavan Kumar Reddy, Piduguralla, Guntur District has initiated a proposal on 17.05.2022 (Unique no. FP/AP/QRY/155444/2022) in the PARIVESH portal for seeking prior permission of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 4.84 ha of forest land in compartment No.102, Janapadu RF, Guntur Division for quarry lease for Limestone (Minor). He has furnished justification stating that the mineral available in this area is unique in its quality and strength and this mineral is locally called as Lime Stone Mineral and useful for making of Wallputty etc.,and this Lime Stone mineral is not available elsewhere in the District. More over the applied area is in proximity to in the Compartment no.102 part of Jandpadu Reserve Forest, Gundlapalli Beat of Janapadu (V), Piduguralla (M), Guntur hence in fact on adjacent ecosystem is minimum. Further this project provided employment to Majority skilled, unskilled and poor people who are below poverty line. Hence, after exploring all the alternatives, considering the above, it is very much essential for grant of mining lease for Lime Stone in the interest of mineral development and industrial requirements. He has also furnished RoFR Certificate as required under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in Form-II issued by the District Collector, Guntur and undertakings to obtain Environment Clearance, Rehabilitation, Reclamation, Cost of fencing and regeneration of safety zone afforestation over one and half times of degraded forest area, CA/ACA/PCA, NPV, Addl. NPV, Tree extraction charges, to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of Compensatory Afforestation etc.

3. Further, I am to inform that the District Forest Officer, Guntur has Recommended the proposal in part-II. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Guntur has agreed with the information given in Part-II by the District Forest Officer, Guntur and Recommended the proposal in Part-III. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Andhra Pradesh has agreed with the information given in Part –II and Part –III by the District Forest Officer, Guntur and the Chief Conservator of Forests, Guntur respectively and Recommended the proposal in Part -IV. The State Government of Andhra Pradesh recommends the proposal in Part-V, which is enclosed herewith.

P.T.O

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 4.84 ha of forest land in compartment No.102, Janapadu RF, Guntur Division for quarry lease for Limestone (Minor) in favour of Sri G. Pavan Kumar Reddy, Piduguralla, Guntur District, 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.

Sri G. Pavan Kumar Reddy,
S/o G.Rami Reddy, H.No.16-55/2,
Piduguralla, Guntur District - 522413

PART-V

Proposal for diversion of 4.84 ha of forest land in compartment No.102, Janapadu RF, Guntur Division for quarry lease for Limestone (Minor) in favour of Sri G. Pavan Kumar Reddy, Piduguralla, Guntur District.

18.	Recommendation of the State Government	Recommended
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Signature


Name & Designation
Dr. P.V. CHALAPATHI RAO, I.F.S.,
Special Secretary to Government
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A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi - 522238.

Date: 22-09-2022

Place: AMARAVATI