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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 0.7 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 225 of Halki village, Murugodu Hobli, Savadatti Taluk, Belagavi District for improvements to road from Hullikeri Tanda to Halki under Gandhi Patha Grama Patha (NGNRY-4) in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency (KRRDA), Project Division, Gokak, Belgaum District.- reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE 11 FLL 2019 dated 13/05/2019 seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section'2' of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above project.

The proposal was examined by the Regional Empowered Committee constituted under sub-rule (1) of rule 4A of the Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003 in its meeting held on 17/07/2019.

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government and on the basis of the approval of the Regional Empowered Committee, the Central Government hereby conveys the in-principle approval (**Stage-I**) for the diversion of 0.7 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 225 of Halki village, Murugodu Hobli, Savadatti Taluk, Belagavi District for improvements to road from Hullikeri Tanda to Halki under Gandhi Patha Grama Patha (NGNRY-4) in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency (KRRDA), Project Division, Gokak, Belgaum District, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the forest land to be diverted shall be demarcated by concrete pillars of 2 m height on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer before Stage-II approval.
3. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value for 0.7 ha. of forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the 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.
4. 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 the user agency. The user agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.

5. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred /deposited to CAMPA fund only through (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
6. Avenue planting shall be taken up by User Agency along the road on either sides with special preference to fruit trees, at the project cost. The plantation shall also be maintained at the project cost. The user agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
7. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
8. The forest area shall be used for the purpose for which it is granted. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.7 ha.
9. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Government of India.
10. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
11. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.

Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC dated 29/01/2018. The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

After receipt of the compliance report on the above conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years. The forest land shall not be transferred to the User Agency prior to the issue of final approval.

Yours faithfully,

(R. Padmawathe)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. 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.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.

3. 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, Department of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Engineering (RDPR), Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency (KRRDA), Project Division, Near Laxmi Temple, Extension area, Gokak, Belgaum District.
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