

Government of Maharashtra

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No.FLD-2021/ C.R.177/ F-10
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032.
Date: 25th September, 2021

To,
The Regional Officer,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Integrated Regional Office,
Ground Floor, East Wing,
New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines,
Nagpur- 440 001.

Sub: Forest Land- Gadchiroli.

Diversion of 19.8469 ha. Forest under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Allapalli for construction of RRP additional works of roads and Bridges in Somanpalli-Zinganoor via Kopela ODR 68 & MDR 26 (total length 16.96 km) in village Somanpalli Kopela & Zinganur Tal. Sironcha, Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

Sir,

The Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Allapalli has submitted the Proposal for diversion of 19.8469 ha. Forest under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for construction of RRP additional works of roads and Bridges in Somanpalli-Zinganoor via Kopela ODR 68 & MDR 26 (total length 16.96 km) in village Somanpalli Kopela & Zinganur Tal. Sironcha, Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

2. The details of forest land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No.	Item work purpose	Name of Village	Comp. No.	Length X Width	Area (in sq.mtr)	Area (in ha.)	Legal Status of Land
1.	Construction of RRP additional works of roads and Bridges in Somanpalli-Zinganoor via Kopela ODR 68 & MDR 26 (total length 16.96 km) at Village Somanpalli Kopela & Zinganur	Somanpalli	AP006	120 x 12	1440	0.1443	Protected Forest
2.			AP006	200 x 8	1600	0.1602	
3.			AA296	60 x 8	480	0.0490	Reserved Forest
4.			AB020	248 x 8	1984	0.1983	
5.			AB020	276 x 12	3312	0.3310	
6.			AA310	22 x 12	264	0.0046	
7.			AA312	878 x 12	10536	0.9249	

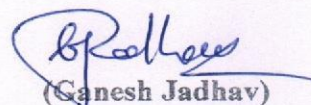
8.	Tal. Sironcha, Dist. Gadchiroli		AA310	85 x 12	1020	0.0124		
9.			AA311	1880 x 12	22560	2.1711		
10.			AA298	810 x 12	9720	0.9193		
11.			AA282	213 x 12	2556	0.2000		
12.			AA298	1067 x 12	12804	1.1915		
13.			AA233	2438 x 12	29256	2.9139		
14.			AA233	587 x 8	4696	0.4696		
15.			AA233	6338 x 12	76056	7.6056		
16.			Zinganoor	AP004	137 x 12	1644		0.1367
17.				AA232	145 x 12	1740		0.1486
18.				AP004	140 x 12	1680		0.1637
19.				AA202	1241 x 12	14892		1.4997
20.				AP004	225 x 12	2700		0.2715
21.				AA207	413 x 8	3304		0.3310
Forest Area (in ha.)					204244	19.8469		

3. The User Agency has decided to undertake improvement and maintenance RRP additional works of roads and Bridges in Somanpalli-Zinganoor via Kopela ODR 68 & MDR 26 (total length 16.96 km) in Village Somanpalli Kopela & Zinganur Tal. Sironcha, Dist. Gadchiroli.

4. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sironcha Forest Division has certified that:-

- 4.1 no suitable alternate land is available and the forest land required is minimum.
- 4.2 the area belongs to Eco-value class-III having density is 0.8.
- 4.3 there are 2845 trees of various species and trees is involved in implementation of the project.
- 4.4 the area involved in the project does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 4.5 proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 4.6 there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

- 4.7 proposed project is 22.00 kms from the boundary of the Pranhita Wild Sanctuary and 18.60 kms Kolamarka Conservation Reserve.
5. As per Chapter 2 of the Handbook under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 para 2.5 special provisions for CA for certain categories of project CA shall be raised and maintained at the cost of the user agency on degraded forest land twice to the forest land to be diverted.
- (g) *constructions of link roads, small water works, minor irrigation works, school building, dispensaries, hospital, tiny rural industrial sheds of the Government or any other similar work excluding mining and encroachments cases, which directly benefit the people of the area in hill districts and in other districts having forest area exceeding 50 % of the total geographical area. Provided diversion of forest area does not exceed 20 ha.*
6. The Compensatory Afforestation is proposed over 40.00 ha. degraded Forest land (i) 15.00 ha. in Compartment No.416, Survey No.422 in Village Shembalpimpri, Tal. Pusad, Dist. Yavatmla (ii) 15.00 ha. in Compt. No.762, Village Karankheda, Tal.Mahagaon, Dist. Yavatmal. (iii) 10.00 ha. in Compt No. 369 of Range Pusad, Beat Mungshi, Dist. Yavatmal, it is contiguous, suitable for afforestation and management purpose and it is free from encroachment and an encumbrances.
7. **The User Agency has submitted an undertaking:-**
- 7.1 to defray the cost of compensatory afforestation.
- 7.2 to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed under diversion.
- 7.3 to submit the certificate of the Collector under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forests Right) Act, 2006.
8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his specific recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.
9. In the circumstances explained in above paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted for the non-forestry use on the conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before Government of India for its approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the same may please be obtained and communicated to this Government at the earliest.


(Ganesh Jadhav)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Encl: A) Set of case papers

B) The following documents are enclosed:-

1. Prescribed form as per Rules
2. Certificate regarding minimum demand for forest land for the project
3. Maps
5. Commitment from the Applicant for defraying the cost of Net Present Value and Compensatory Afforestation
6. Brief note of the project from the project authority
8. Site Inspection Report
10. Certificate in Part-V

Copy to:

1. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
2. The Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Allapalli.
- ✓ 3. Select File F-10.

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PART - V

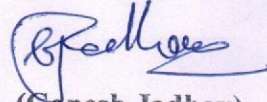
(To be filled up by the Secretary In charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

**1. Recommendation of the
State Government**

The proposal is recommended
vide Government letter

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Dated: 25/09/2021



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