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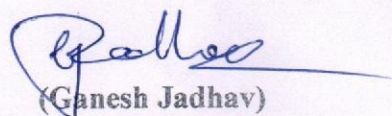
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**PART - V**

(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  
No.FLD-2021/CR-179/F-10  
Dated: 25/09/2021



(Ganesh Jadhav)  
Under Secretary to the  
Government of Maharashtra

Under Secretary  
Revenue and Forests Department  
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk  
Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya  
Mumbai 400 032

**Place: Mumbai**

**Date: 25/09/2021**



## Government of Maharashtra

**By Speed Post**

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Revenue and Forest Department,  
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032.  
Date: 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

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Sir,

The Executive Engineer, Public Works Division 1, Gadchiroli has submitted the proposal for diversion of 13.800 ha. Reserved Forest under Forest (Conservation) Act, for construction of RRP-2 additional works of roads and Bridges in Korepalli-Kavtharam-Kapwancha-Assa-Modumadagu road with 1 minor bridge VR 36 & 128 km, 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-2 additional works of roads and Bridges in Korepalli-Kavtharam-Kapwancha-Assa-Modumadagu road with 1 minor bridge VR 36 & 128 km, Tal.	Korepalli	KP 123	1345 X 12	16140	1.614	Reserved Forest
2.		Korepalli	KA093	395 X 12	4740	0.474	Reserved Forest
3.		Korepalli	KA094	660 X 12	7920	0.792	Reserved Forest
4.		Korepalli	KP120	100 X 12	1200	0.12	Reserved Forest
5.		Korepalli	KA094	220 X 12	2640	0.264	Reserved Forest
6.		Korepalli	KP120	12 X 12	144	0.0144	Reserved Forest
7.		Korepalli	KA094	168 X 12	2016	0.2016	Reserved Forest



8.	Sironcha, Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.	Korepalli	KP120	1800 X 12	21600	2.16	Reserved Forest
9.		Korepalli	KP108	1365 X 12	16380	1.638	Reserved Forest
10		Kodasepalli	KP119	1935 X 12	23220	2.322	Reserved Forest
11.		Kodasepalli	KP109	1745 X 12	20940	2.094	Reserved Forest
12.		Kodasepalli	KP111	1205 X 12	14460	1.446	Reserved Forest
13.		Kodasepalli/As ha	KP112	550 X 12	6600	0.66	Reserved Forest
Forest Area (in ha.)					138000	13.800	

3. The User Agency has decided to undertake improvement and maintenance of RRP-2 additional works of roads and Bridges in Korepalli-Kavtharam-Kapwancha-Assa-Modumadagu road with 1 minor bridge VR 36 & 128 km, Tal. Sironcha, Dist. Gadchiroli. Because of the project, over all road safety situation will be improved.

**4. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sironcha 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 (Dense Forest).
- 4.3 there are 2847 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 7.00 kms from the boundary of the Pranhita Wild Sanctuary and 2.5 kms Kolamarka Conservation Reserve
- 4.8 the area involved in the project is part of the Tiger Corridor as per TCP and TATR. However, it is part of the Tiger Corridor as per TCP and TATR. In this regard the CWLW vide office note dated 27/05/2021 has offered his comments and the same are reproduced as under-

*'Proposals involving activity/ project, falling outside the protected area linking one protected area or tiger reserve with another protected area or tiger reserve, prior clearance from the Standing Committee of the National*



*Board for Wildlife as per the section 38 O (1) (g) of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 will be required'*

In this regard PCCF (HoFF) on 31/05/2021 has submitted to the User Agency has submitted the proposal for prior approval of the National Board of Wildlife and the same has been submitted by the Conservator of Forests (T) Gadchiroli to Additional Principal Chief Conservator (Wildlife) East, Nagpur for onward submission to Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) Maharashtra State Nagpur

- 4.9 As per clause 2.5 of the Handbook under the FCA, 1980. The Special provisions for CA for certain categories of projects is as under:-

*(i) CA shall be raised and maintained at the cost of the user agency on degraded forest land twice in extent of the forest area diverted in the cases of:*

*(g) Construction 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 encroachment 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 hectares.*

5. In the instant case the construction of the aforesaid link road in less than 20 ha. and the Gadchiroli District forest area exceeding 50% of the total geographical area. Therefore, the User Agency shall have to defray the cost for compensatory afforestation over double 27.600 ha degraded forest land including 10 years maintenance.

- 5.1 Compensatory Afforestation proposed over 28.00 ha. degraded Forest land (i) 10 ha. in Compartment No.10,12, in Village Shekapur Zopadi, Range Wardha, Dist. Wardha (ii) 8.00 ha. in Compt No.87, Village Gadegaon, Range Wardha, Dist. Wardha. (iii) 5.00 ha. in Compt No. 12 of Village Shivani, Range Wardha, Dist. Wardha (iv) area 5.00 ha. in Village Warpindkepar Range Bapera it is contiguous, suitable for afforestation and management purpose and it is free from encroachment and an encumbrances

6. **The User Agency has submitted an undertaking that:-**

6.1 to defray the cost of compensatory afforestation.

6.2 to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed under diversion.

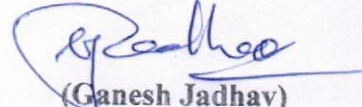
6.3 to submit the certificate of the Collector under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forests Right) Act, 2006.

7. 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.

8. 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. Executive Engineer, Public Works Division 1, Gadchiroli.
3. Select File F-10.