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To

✓ The Special Chief Secretary to the Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Subject: Diversion of 4.2339 ha (revised from 8.50 ha) of forest land for widening the single-lane road to a double-lane road from Khammampally to Bhupalpally from km 12/2 to 19/6 in Bhupalpally Division in favour of District R&B Officer, Jayashankar Bhupalpally, District- reg

Madam,

Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos. 2541/For.I(1)/2019 dated 26.07.2019, and online application No. FP/AP/ROAD/149544/2021, 2541/For.I(1)/2022 dated 01.02.2023 and the PCCF, Telangana letter Nos 1574/2018/FCA-2 dated 20.08.2019, 1574/2018/FCA-2 dated 04.10.2019 & 16.06.2023 and online proposal No. FP/TG/ROAD/32933/2018 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for the diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2' of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above-mentioned project.

As per the recommendation of the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) after careful consideration of the proposal submitted by the State Government, I am to convey the Central Government's in-principle approval (**Stage-I**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of **4.2339 ha (revised from 8.50 ha)** (the width of the carriageway shall be 3.75 mts with 1.125 mts of berm width on either side) of forest land for road from Khammampally to Bhupalpally from km 12/2 to 19/6 in Bhupalpally Division in favour of District R&B Officer, Jayashankar Bhupalpally, District, subject to the following conditions:-

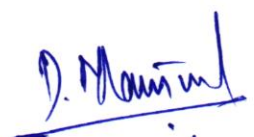
1. The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged
2. The Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters by the User Agency in consultation with the DFO concerned.
3. **Compensatory Afforestation**
 - a. The User Agency shall carry out compensatory afforestation over an extent of 4.2339 hectares in Sy.No.1196/1 Bhupalpally & Kothapally at the cost of the User Agency;
 - b. The non-forest land transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department shall be notified as RF/ PF. A copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the State Forest Act, as the case may be, shall be submitted by the State Government.

The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per the compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars if required on the CA land shall be deposited in advance by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provisions for anticipated cost increases for works scheduled for subsequent years.

- c. Identified CA area and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government;

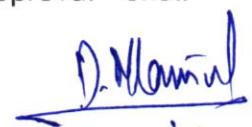
4. Net Present Value:

- a) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for 4.2339 ha forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30/10/2002, 01/08/2003, 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No. 5-1/1998-FC (Pt.II) dated 18/09/2003, as well as letter No. 5-2/2006-FC dated 03/10/2006, 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 and revised NPV as per the Ministry's guideline No.5- 3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022 and 22.03.2022;
 - b) Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, 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 e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
 6. The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost.
 7. The road shall be closed for traffic from 18.00 hrs to 06.00 hrs (except for emergencies).
 8. The road shall be used only for public utility purposes.
 9. Tonnage restrictions shall be to a maximum of 4 tons only
 10. No further proposal from the User Agency/State Government shall be considered for expansion of the same road in future
 11. The User agency shall endeavour to avoid felling of trees existing on the Forest land proposed to be utilized. Wherever necessary, the trees should be felled under the strict supervision of the DFO/FDO concerned.
 12. Wherever feasible the trees shall be translocated instead of felling at the cost of the User Agency.
 13. There shall be a check post at the entry and exit points of the proposed road along with provisions for protection watchers at the cost of the User Agency.
 14. Wherever necessary the User Agency in consultation with the DFO concerned shall construct wildlife passage structures.
 15. No labour camp shall be established inside the forest area and the dugout material/debris shall be dumped outside the forest area and no fresh earth shall be dug out from forest area for laying of road.



16. Approved wildlife mitigation plan shall be implemented by the UA / State Forest Department at the cost of the project. The Cost towards WL mitigation plan shall be deposited in to the CAMPA account only as per the Ministry guidelines.
17. Proper SMC works shall be carried out wherever required at the cost of the User Agency to check soil erosion.
18. Construction of culverts/bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.
19. Roadside cuttings and fillings that require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;
20. The dug out material/debris shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area.
21. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
22. The User Agency shall provide firewood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling and **no labour camp shall be established inside the forest area;**
23. It shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in the execution of work do not destroy nearby forest flora & fauna.
24. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **4.2339 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. **The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.**
25. The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
26. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of all the Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
27. Any other conditions that the Central Government and/or its Regional/ Sub Office may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency;
28. 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 dt. 29/01/2018.
29. The compliance report shall be uploaded on *e-portal* (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. **This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issue of this letter.** In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 2 years.



Yours faithfully,



27/09/2023

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Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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