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No: B4/GFL/FCA/CR-17/2021-22

Dated: 26-12-2022

To,
Officer Incharge,
(Site Civil Infra)
Engineering & Utility Services,
Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited,
Kaiga Generation Station,

Kaiga, Karwar

Demand Notice to be issued after Stage-I approval Demand Notice under FCA 1980

Government of India/Government of Karnataka vide letter No:F.No.4-KRB 1365/2022-BAN/1002 dated: 25-11-2022 and FEE 85 FLL 2022 (e) dated: 07-12-2022 have issued 'in-principle' Stage-I approval for diversion of 3.4744 ha. of forest land in Reserve Forest in Karwar Forest Division in F.Sy.No.91A, 93 & 97 of Virje village, Ghadsai Hobli, Karwar Taluka, Uttar Kannada District subject to conditions of approval mentioned therein. The same has been communicated by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) & Nodal Officer (FCA), Bengaluru vide letter number KFD/HOFF/A52K(GFL)/1/2020-FC, E-199616 dated: 22/23-12-2022 to this office for issuing 'demand notice' and submission of a 'Compliance Report'. Accordingly, you are requested to make the payments shown hereunder and submit the 'Compliance Report' for all the conditions of approval within 30 days for seeking 'final' Stage-II approval.

Stage-I approval conditions number and particulars in brief		Quantity/ Extent (ha.)	Rate (Rs./ Unit)	Amount to be paid (Rs.)
Stage-I approval conditions number A: 1 to 11 & B:1 to 16 as under.	NPV	3.4744	1595790.00	5544413.00
	CA	3.4744	1836000.00	6378998.00
	Total			11923411.00

- A. Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.
- 1) The User Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the guideline issued by Ministry vide letter No: 5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I) dated: 06-01-2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account on the State concerned.
- 2) Equivalent extent of non-forest land identified for Compensatory Afforestation in Sy.No. 218 in Nagur village, Heregutti Range, Honnavar Forest Division,Uttar Kannada district shall be transferred and mutated in favour of Forest Department.

The Non-forest land for Compensatory Afforestation shall be notified as RF/PF by the State Government before the Stage-II clearance. 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 local Forest Act as the case may be sent to this Ministry for information and record and also uploaded in Parivesh portal.

- The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the Compensatory Afforestation over equivalent the extent non forest land at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The scheme may include demarcation of Non forest land using appropriate fencing with provision for anticipated cost of increase for works scheduled for subsequent years. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. If the identified non forest land does not support planting of 1000 plants per hectare. Than remaining plants need to be planted in the degraded forest land as per working plan prescription. The degraded forest land identified for planting of remaining plants shall be furnished along with requisite details viz. KML file, site suitability certificate and revised CA scheme.
- 4) The User Agency shall restrict the width of the proposed road (including shoulders and drains on either sides) to 8.8 meter. In curves the width of the road may be maintained as per the technical requirement. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- The road shall be used only as an emergency alternative by the User Agency when the regular State Highway gets booked due to inundation or any such disaster to avoid disturbance inside the dense forest and with strict access control by Karnataka Forest Department. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- 6) All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferreddeposited in CAMPA account only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance.
- 7) The KML file of the area diverted shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details and same shall be submitted along with compliance report.
- 8) The State Government shall complete settlement of rights, in term of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006, if any, on the forest land to be diverted and submit the documentary evidence as prescribed by this Ministry in it's letter No. 11-9/1998-FC dated: 3rd August 2009 read with 05-07-2013 with necessary enclosures, in support thereof.
- 9) The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in).
- 10) The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitability demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No.5-2/2017-FC dated: 28-03-2019.

- B. Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval.
- 1) Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2) Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over an equal extent of non forest land within three years from the date of Stage-II Clearance and maintained thereafter by the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency and at least 1000 plants per hectare shall be planted over identified non forest land within three years of grant of final approval. If it is not possible to plant so many saplings in the area identified for CA, the balance saplings will be planted in any other forests as per prescription of approved working plan with provision for ten years on subsequent maintenance.
- 3) At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
- 4) Tree felling shall be restricted to the barest minimum possible and under confirmation from the local forest officials.
- 5) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
- 6) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- 7) Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source or alternate fuel.
- 8) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- 9) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.4744 ha.
- 10) The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- 11) No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
- 12) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- 13) The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
- 14) The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and integrated Regional Office, Bangalore by the end of March every year.
- 15) The User Agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

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.

Procedure payment: This Demand Notice is to be uploaded on FC web portal (www.parivesh.nic.in) for acceptance by the Nodal Officer. After acceptance by the Nodal Officer, a challan should be generated from the web portal for payment to the account mentioned in the challan. The Transaction details should be quoted by the User Agency in the condition-wise 'Compliance Report' submitted for Stage-II approval. Payment made by any mode than that mentioned above will not be considered as compliance.

Place: Karwar Date:26-12-2022 Deputy Conservator of Forests Karwar Division, Karwar

Copy to the Range Forest Officer, Kadra for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Karwar Sub-division, Karwar for information and necessary action.

Copy transmitted to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Honnavar Division, Honnavar for information and with request to kindly comply the above condition No.3 imposed by Govt. of India and send the report to this office for onwards submission. (Copy of Stage-I is enclosed)