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Revenue and Forest Department,  
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032.

Dated:- 23/08/2024

To,  
Deputy Director General of Forests (Central),  
Regional Office, MoEF&CC,  
Government of India,  
Civil Lines, Nagpur.

### Subject: Forest Land-Nashik.

Diversion of 6.3912 ha. forest land under section -2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for Rahabillitation and Up-gradation of newly declared NH-752G Section from Satana to Mangrul (From Km 64 +000 to Km 101 +140) to two lane with paved shoulders in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/ROAD/152830/2022)

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer has submitted proposal for diversion of 6.3912 ha. forest land under section -2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for Rahabillitation and Up-gradation of newly declared NH-752G Section from Satana to Mangrul (From Km 64 +000 to Km 101 +140) to two lane with paved shoulders in the State of Maharashtra.

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

Sr. No.	Forest Div.	Village	Compt. No.	Gut No.	Patch	Start	End	Width (in Mtr)	Length (in Mtr)	Total area in Ha.	Area of Black top and carriage way 8.5 Meter Under PWD before 1980	Area of Net present value (NPV) and C.A. Scheme	Non-Forest area in ha.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1.	East Nashik	Bhavade	324	110	Realign ment	90+818	91+112	30	294	0.882	0	0.882	0	Reserve Forest
2.					Existing Road	91+112	92+740	24	1628	3.9072	1.3838	2.5234		
3.					Realign ment	92+740	92+809	30	69	0.207	0	0.207		

4		Kheldari	561	55	Realignment	92+809	92+850	30	41	0.123	0	0.123		
5					Existing Road	92+850	93+380	24	530	1.272	0.4505	0.8215		
Total Area									2562	6.3912	1.8343	4.556	0	

2. The proposal has been initiated by the Executive Engineer, National Highway Division, Nashik for approval under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said project is for Rehabilitation and Up-gradation of the newly declared NH-752G Section from Satana to Mangrul (From Km 64+000 to Km 101 +140) to two lane with paved shoulders in the State of Maharashtra on Engineering procurement & Construction (EPC) mode. The Ministry has declared Highway starting from its junction with NH-53 near Sendhwa connecting Khetia in the state of Madhya Pradesh, Shahada, Prakasha, Nandurbar Visarwadi, Sakri, Satana, Deola, Chandvad, Manmad, Yeola, Kopargaon and terminating at its junction with NH-160 near shirdi in the state of Maharashtra as National Highway No. 752G, vide gazette notification on 13 (E) dated. 03/01/2017. Present project road i.e. Satana to Mangrul (From Design Km. 64 +000 to Km. 104 +140) is passing through forest area (Bhabadbari Ghat & Kheldare Village) which is coming under East Nashik forest division. The project road act as link to connect Maharashtra form Madhya Pradesh. The project road starts from Satana City and end at T-Junction with NH-3 at Mangrul in the state of Maharashtra. The design length of the project road is 37.140 Km. The project road is also link to famous temple of Jainsim Mongitungi and Sai temple in Shirdi, therefore important link in Northen Maharashtra. This project road is an important link between Maharashtra and Gujarat state as well. Also, it connects Nashik District in Maharashtra state and some cities of Gujarat state. The project length passes through area is also well known for its agricultural products like grapes, sugarcane and other products. These products transported through this route from different cities or towns of Maharashtra as well as Gujarat. At present, the road width is insufficient and full of curves which cause problems of road jam and makes it accident prone. In the forest area some part of the project road passes form ghat section and there are lots of small and large blind curves which creates hurdle in smooth traffic and is not suitable according to the standard of National Highway. As per standard of National Highway the rehabilitation and Up-gradation of the road is required in the forest area for curve improvements (realignments) and widening. For Curve improvement and widening in the forest area. DPR consultant has considered minimum forest land. There is no suitable alternative non forest land is available for the proposed project. Hence, the diversion of the forest land is only option for widening of the newly declared National Highway No. 752G (section from Satana Mangrul).

**3. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik Forest Division has certified that:-**

3.1) No alternate alignment is possible and forest land is minimum.

- 3.2) There is no violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.
- 3.3) The Compensatory Afforestation on village Kheldari, Taluka- Chandwad, District. Nashik Gut. No 230, Area 4.556 ha. is selected by the forest department and suitable For Compensatory Afforestation. This area is fit for afforestation and management purpose and also it is free from encroachment and encumbrances.
- 3.4) The non-forest area covered under the project is not under the provision of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act 1975 by virtue of application of Section 35 of Indian Forest Act 1927 and are not recognized as deemed reserved forest as well as not included in the area identified as "forest" as per dictionary meaning of forest as intimated to the expert committee appointed under interim judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12/12/1996.
- 3.5) Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 3.6) The area involved in the project does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 3.7) There are 1032 trees cutting and felling involved in the project. The Girth wise details is as under:-

Below 30 cm	31-45 cm	46-60 cm	61-90 cm	91-105 cm	106-120 cm	121-150 cm	151-200 cm	Above 200 cm	Total
191	389	255	135	26	19	8	8	1	1032

- 3.8) The proposed area belongs to Eco-value class-III, having density is below 0.3.
- 3.9) The proposed project site is not within 10 km from any National Park or Sanctuary.

**4. The User Agency has submitted undertakings:-**

- 4.1 to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.
- 4.2 to defray cost of Net Present Value.
- 4.3 to submit compliance under FRA-2006.

5. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik Forest Division has recommended the proposal for approval under Section-2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. His recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.

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 Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.

8. In the circumstances explained in aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted under Section-2 (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, subject to conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) and Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer, Nagpur along with the following conditions:-

(i) User Agency shall submit the online part-I along with Stage-I compliance.

(ii) DCF, East Nashik Forest Division shall submit the online part-II along with Stage-I compliance.

(iii) There is total 6.3912 ha. forest land involved in the Project. User Agency proposed 4.556 ha. non-forest land for Compensatory Afforestation. Therefore, User Agency shall handover remaining 1.8343 ha. non-forest land for Compensatory Afforestation in lieu of forest land proposed for diversion and submit 7/12 extract, KML file land suitability certificate along with Stage-I compliance.

The matter may kindly be placed before the Government of India for approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

  
(Ganesh Jadhao)

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Government of Maharashtra  
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Encl: A) Set of case papers

B) The following documents are enclosed:-

1. Prescribed form as per Rules.
2. Area Statement
3. Undertaking for defraying the cost of Net Present Value & Compensatory Afforestation.
4. Brief note of the project
5. Site Inspection Report.
6. Certificate in Part V.

Copy:

1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & C.E.O, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Nagpur
3. APCCF and Nodal Officer, Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/Nodal/Nashik/PID-152830/817/2024-25, Dt.03.07.2024.
4. Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik.

5. Deputy Conservator of Forest, East Nashik Forest Division.
6. Executive Engineer, National Highway Division Nashik.
7. Select File (F-10)

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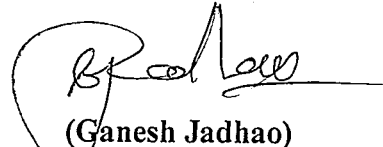
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**PART - V**

(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  
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