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प्रति/To,

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

**विषय/Subject:** Diversion of 0.327 Ha (Revised from 0.447 Ha) of forest land for Construction of BT road from Sirpur (U) Devudupalli from Km 0/0 to 3/700 of Sirpur (U) Mandal, Chorpally RF, Asifabad Division of Kumuram Bheem Asifabad District under LW(RCPLWE) in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B division, Asifabad- Reg.

महोदया/Madam,

Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos. 5/For. I (1)/2022 dated 12.01.2022 and online proposal No. FP/TG/ROAD/119571/2021 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above-mentioned project.

The Forest area proposed for diversion for Construction of BT road from Sirpur (U) Devudupalli from Km 0/0 to 3/700 falls in Chorpally RF with dimensions of 596.34 m length and 5.5 m top width formation (3.75 m Semi-Dense Bituminous Concrete width plus 0.875 m Shoulder/Embankment on either side of road).

After careful consideration of the proposal submitted by the State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's **In-principle** approval (**Stage-I**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of 0.327 Ha (Revised from 0.447 Ha) of forest land for Construction of BT road from Sirpur (U) Devudupalli from Km 0/0 to 3/700 of Sirpur (U) Mandal, Chorpally RF, Asifabad Division of Kumuram Bheem Asifabad District under LW(RCPLWE) in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B division, Asifabad, subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged
2. The DFO/FDO concerned shall ensure that no violation of F(C) Act, 1980 and W(P) Act, 1972 takes place in the proposed forest area till the final approvals under these Acts are accorded by the concerned competent authorities.
3. Demarcation of the proposed forest area to be diverted shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20

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meters by the User Agency in consultation with the DFO/DCF concerned and report compliance.

#### 4. Compensatory Afforestation

- a. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over **0.337 ha of non-forest area out of 81.4313 ha of non-forest area identified in Sy No 322 of Pangidimadara (V), Tiryani (M) of Asifabad Division, at the cost of the User Agency.** A mixture of local indigenous forestry species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
- b. In addition to the plantation in identified non forest land, compensatory afforestation (i.e., balance numbers of plants) shall be carried out over apportioned extent of area within the 71 ha of degraded forest area identified in Compt. No 55 of Itikalpahad Beat of Makidi Section of Sirpur Range falling in Kaghaznagar Division, at the cost of the User Agency;
- c. Equivalent non-forest land identified out of an extent of **81.4313 ha of non-forest area identified in Sy No 322 of Pangidimadara (V), Tiryani (M) of Asifabad Division** for raising compensatory afforestation under different road projects shall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department and 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.
- d. The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per 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 with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.

#### 5. Net Present Value:

- a. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for 0.337 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 5-3/2011-FC dated 06-01-2022 in this regard.
- 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.

6. User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the forest land proposed to be diverted and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department, where ever required, under the supervision of the State Forest Department.
7. **Working permission shall not be given until NBWL clearance is received for the project. The wildlife mitigation plan duly approved by the NBWL/CWLW of Telangana shall be implemented at the cost of the user agency.**
8. 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;
9. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to designated CAMPA account only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
10. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
11. User agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides of the road as per the IRC norms.
12. Speed regulating signage /speed breakers shall be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Forest Area.
13. The user agency shall provide suitable number of under / over passes in Protected Area / Forest Area for uninterrupted movement of the wild animals as per recommendations of CWLW or local DFO.
14. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
15. The layout plan/ alignment of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
16. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
17. Sufficient firewood, preferably alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
18. No additional or new path shall be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
19. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.



21. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
22. 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 Guidelines.
23. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
24. 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. **The user agency shall not execute the work in forest land proposed to be diverted till the final approval is accorded to the proposal by the Central Government.**

Yours faithfully,



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