

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sec.II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.394/Section.II/2022/(1660868)

Dated:23.03.2022

From
The Special Chief Secretary to Government
EFS&T Department,
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,
Amaravati-522503.

To
The Inspector General of Forests (Central)
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada,
Green House Complex, Gopal Reddy Road,
Vijayawada-520010 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 4.71 ha of forest land in compartment Nos.402, 403, 404 & 406 of Kankanapalli RF, Vizianagaram Division for providing BT to the road from National Highway-26 at 474/6 to Karadavalasa via Malamamidivalasa in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Vizianagaram - Proposal submitted under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Reg.

Ref: From the PCCF&HoFF, A.P., Lr.Rc.No.EFS02-15034/13/2021/FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, dated:10.02.2022.

I enclose herewith a copy of the letter cited along with statutory proforma proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh for diversion of 4.71 ha of forest land in compartment Nos.402, 403, 404 & 406 of Kankanapalli RF, Vizianagaram Division for providing BT to the road from National Highway-26 at 474/6 to Karadavalasa via Malamamidivalasa in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Vizianagaram.

2. I am to inform that the User Agency i.e. Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Vizianagaram, has furnished justification stating that the villagers of Roddavalasa, Ajuru, Kumbivalasa and Karadavalasa can reach the Mandal head quarters Saluru and Pachipenta with shortest path by providing this road. The existing road passes through Reserve Forest in various reaches in the road from 0/0 to 7/300 km. This is the only shortest route for the people of above habitations. The buses and commercial vehicles are not plying on this road due to improper geometry and various streams crossing the road. The people are facing lot of problems to meet their needs of Education, Health and Transportation of Agricultural and forest produces etc. Hence, the road is proposed to upgrade to the BT surface, so as to make the road traffic worthy. The requirement of forest land is un-avoidable and barest minimum for the project. The User Agency has identified non-forest land over an extent of 4.72 ha in Sy.No.279 of Gottivalasa (V), Garugubilli (M), Vizianagaram District for CA purpose. The District Forest Officer, Vizianagaram has prepared CA scheme to an extent of 4.72 ha for raising Compensatory Afforestation with a financial outlay of Rs.20.945 lakh for a period of 12 years commencing from 2022-23 to 2033-34 with 10 years of maintenance. The User Agency has furnished undertakings for payment of NPV, Addl. NPV, CA and tree extraction charges etc. The District Collector, Vizianagaram District has issued necessary certificates under Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The proposal has been uploaded in the Ministry's website and unique file No.FP/AP/ROAD/141400/2021 has been generated for this proposal. The concerned District Forest Officer, the Conservator of Forests and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, have recommended the proforma proposal in Part-II, III and IV respectively. The recommendation of the State Government in proforma proposal in Part-V is enclosed herewith.

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3. I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 4.71 ha of forest land in compartment Nos.402, 403, 404 & 406 of Kankanapalli RF, Vizianagaram Division for providing BT to the road from National Highway-26 at 474/6 to Karadavalasa via Malamamidivalasa in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Vizianagaram, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

N. Jagadeeswaru
for Special Chief Secretary to Government

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

The Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Vizianagaram.

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PART-V

(To be filled in 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)

18. Recommendation of the State Government:-

(Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-B or Part-C or Part-D above should be specifically commented upon)

(Letter No.394/Section.II/2022, Dated.23.03.2022 for diversion of 4.71 ha of forest land in compartment Nos.402, 403, 404 & 406 of Kankanapalli RF, Vizianagaram Division for providing BT to the road from National Highway 26 at 474/6 to Karadavalasa via Malamamidivalasa in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Vizianagaram)

“Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 4.71 ha of forest land in compartment Nos.402, 403, 404 & 406 of Kankanapalli RF, Vizianagaram Division for providing BT to the road from National Highway 26 at 474/6 to Karadavalasa via Malamamidivalasa in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Vizianagaram.”



Signature

Name & Designation

(Official Seal)

Date: 23-03-2022

Place: Amravathi

Dr. B. V. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO, I.E.S.,
Secretary, Government of
Andhra Pradesh, Environment, Forests, Science
and Technology Department
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi - 522238.