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

Letter No.967/Section.II/2022/(1430031)

Dated:25.03.2022

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

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 2.10 ha. of forest land in Compartment No.1205, 1206, 1207 & 1208 of Arilova RF, Narsipatnam Division for widening and strengthening of Narsipatnam - Devipatnam road from Km. 7/4 to 12/0, 16/0 to 17/0, 21/0 to 25/0 to 29/500 to 30/0 in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Paderu - Proposal submitted under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Reg.

Ref: From the PCCF&HoFF, A.P., Rc.No.EFS02-15034/15/2018/FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, Dated:26.02.2021.

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 2.10 ha. of forest land in Compartment No. 1205, 1206, 1207 & 1208 of Arilova RF, Narsipatnam Division for widening and strengthening of Narsipatnam - Devipatnam road from Km. 7/4 to 12/0, 16/0 to 17/0, 21/0 to 25/0 to 29/500 to 30/0 in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Paderu.

I am to inform that the User Agency i.e. Executive Engineer, (R&B) Division, Paderu, has furnished justification stating that the villagers of Narsipatnam, Cheedigummula, Ch Yerravaram, Pappusettipalem, Jogampeta, Gogugonda, Mallampeta, Chodyam, Kondagokiri, Krishna Devipeta (AL Puram) are utilizing this road. This is the only route for the people of above habitations. The buses and commercial vehicles are plying on this road. The people are utilizing this road to meet their needs of Education, Health and Transportation of Agricultural and forest produces etc. Hence, the road is proposed for widening 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 2.10 ha in Sy.No.203 of Pakalapadu Village, Golugonda (M), Visakhapatnam District for Compensatory Afforestation purpose. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam Circle, Visakhapatnam has prepared CA Scheme to an extent of 2.10 ha with a financial amount of Rs.19.518 lakh including maintenance of plantation for a period of 10 years commencement from 2022-23 to 2033-34. The User Agency has furnished undertakings for payment of NPV, Addl. NPV, CA and tree extraction charges etc. The District Collector, Visakhapatnam 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/44481/2020 has been generated for this proposal. The concerned Divisional 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.

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 2.10 ha. of forest land in Compartment No. 1205, 1206, 1207 & 1208 of Arilova RF, Narsipatnam Division for widening and strengthening of Narsipatnam - Devipatnam road from Km. 7/4 to 12/0, 16/0 to 17/0, 21/0 to 25/0 to 29/500 to 30/0 in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Paderu, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

for Special Chief Secretary to Government

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,

Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

The Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Paderu.

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.967/Section.II/2022, Dated.25.03.2022 for diversion of 2.10 ha. of forest land in Compartment No.1205, 1206, 1207 & 1208 of Arilova RF, Narsipatnam Division for widening and strengthening of Narsipatnam - Devipatnam road from Km 7/4 to 12/0, 16/0 to 17/0, 21/0 to 25/0 to 29/500 to 30/0 in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Paderu)

"Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 2.10 ha. of forest land in Compartment No. 1205, 1206, 1207 & 1208 of Arilova RF, Narsipatnam Division for widening and strengthening of Narsipatnam - Devipatnam road from Km. 7/4 to 12/0, 16/0 to 17/0, 21/0 to 25/0 to 29/500 to 30/0 in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Paderu."

Signature

Name & Designation (Official Seal)

Date: 2503-2022

Place: Amazavati

Dr. P.V. CHALAPATHI RAO, I.F.S., Special Secretary to Government Environment, Forests, Science and Technology Department A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi - 522238.