

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

Letter No.891/Section.II/2022/(1699526)

Dated:27.04.2022

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 1.36 ha of forest land in Compartment No.238 & 239 of North Dhone RF, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division for construction of new double line and electrification track between Guntur and Guntakal Stations at Dhone (Rly km 325/4 to 329/2) in favour of Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway - Proposal submitted under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for forest clearance - Reg.

Ref: From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15024/3/2019-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, Dated:11.04.2022.

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 1.36 ha of forest land in Compartment No.238 & 239 of North Dhone RF, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division for construction of new double line and electrification track between Guntur and Guntakal Stations at Dhone (Rly km 325/4 to 329/2) in favour of Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway.

2. I am to inform that the User Agency i.e. Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway, has furnished justification stating that as there is no alternative route to the Railway line, the forest land to an extent of 1.36 ha in Compartment no.238 & 239 of North Dhone RF, Dhone Beat, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division is required to construct the new double line and electrification of track between Guntur and Guntakal stations at Dhone (Rly km 325/4 to 329/2). The User Agency has furnished undertakings to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation, payment of NPV and addl.NPV, and cost of tree extraction charges. The District Collector, Kurnool 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/RAIL/149334/2021 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.

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 1.36 ha of forest land in Compartment No.238 & 239 of North Dhone RF, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division for construction of new double line and electrification track between Guntur and Guntakal Stations at Dhone (Rly km 325/4 to 329/2) in favour of Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway, 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 Deputy Chief Engineer,
Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway.

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.891/Section.II/2022, Dated.27.04.2022 for diversion of 1.36 ha of forest land in Compartment No.238 & 239 of North Dhone RF, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division for construction of new double line and electrification track between Guntur and Guntakal Stations at Dhone (Rly km 325/4 to 329/2) in favour of Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway)

“Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 1.36 ha of forest land in Compartment No.238 & 239 of North Dhone RF, Dhone Range, Kurnool Division for construction of new double line and electrification track between Guntur and Guntakal Stations at Dhone (Rly km 325/4 to 329/2) in favour of Deputy Chief Engineer, Construction, Guntakal Division, South Central Railway.”



Signature

Name & Designation
(Official Seal)

Date: 27-04-2022

Place: AMARAVATI

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