

Sub:Forest Land-Satara

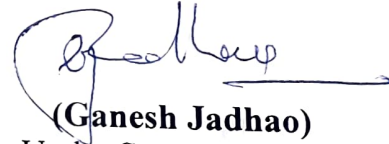
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PART - V

(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
No.FLD-2022/CR300/ F-10
Dated: 29/12/2022



(Ganesh Jadhao)
Under Secretary to the
Government of Maharashtra

Place: Mumbai

Date: 29/12/2022

Government of Maharashtra

No.F.I.D-2022/CR-300/F-10

Revenue and Forest Department,

Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400 032.

Dated: 29.12.2022

To,

Regional Officer (Central),

Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC,

Government of India, Civil Lines, Nagpur.

Subject: Forest Land-Satara

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The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Nagpur has submitted proposal for diversion of 28.297 ha. forest land for laying of underground 50 mm to 1600 mm diameter. P.C.C.F./B.W.S.E./H.D.P.E. type pipeline for agricultural irrigation of command falling under UrmodiMaan irrigation project to drought prone 21 villages, pipeline passing through forest land at Village- Mhaswad, Waki, Valai, Dhamani, Pimpari, Lodhawade, GondawaleKh. &Gondawale Bk. Tal. Man, Dist. Satara in the State of Maharashtra.

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

Sr. No.	Item work purpose	Name of Village	Taluka	District	Patch No.	Compt. No.	Gut No.	L. X W. (in M.)	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
1	For laying of under-ground 50 mm to 1600 mm	Mhaswad	Man	Satara	P1	852	192	1090 X 20	2.180	Reserved Forest
					P2			2345 X 10	2.345	
					P3		304	2130 X 10	2.130	
					P4			621 X 10	0.621	
					P5			1020 X 20	2.040	
					P6		297	1200 X 10	1.200	
2		Waki			P7	8618	14514	540 X 10	0.540	

2	diameter	Waki			P8	61	5	468 X 10	0.468	Reserved Forest
	P.C.C.F.				P9			490 X 10	0.490	
3	B.W.S.	Valai			P10			2544 X 10	2.544	
	E. H.D.				P11	854	552	220 X 10	0.220	
	P.E type pipeline				P12			780 X 10	0.780	
4					P13		262	1100 X 20	2.200	
		Dhamani			P14		299	500 X 20	1.000	
					P15		319	260 X 20	0.520	
					P16	861	261	1225 X 10	1.225	
5					P17		268	581 X 10	0.581	
		Pimpari	Man	Satara	P18		268	452 X 10	0.452	
					P19		379	422 X 10	0.422	
					P20		379	50 X 10	0.050	
6					P21		238	690 X 10	0.690	
		Lodha- wade			P22	-	238	853 X 10	0.853	
					P23		402	182 X 10	0.182	
7		Gonda- wale Kh.			P24		930	1310 X 10	1.310	
8		Gonda- wale Bk.			P25	864	1190	782 X 10	0.782	
Total Reserved Forest Land (in ha.)									28.297	

2. The proposal has been initiated by the Executive Engineer, Urmodi Dam Division, Satara for seeking approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 28.297 ha. Reserved Forest Land under section 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground 50 mm to 1600 mm diameter P.C.C.F./B.W.S.E./H.D.P.E. type pipeline for agricultural irrigation of command falling under UrmodiMaan irrigation project to drought prone 21 villages, pipeline passing through forest land at Village- Mhaswad, Waki, Valai, Dhamani, Pimpari, Lodhawade, GondawaleKh. &Gondawale Bk. Tal. Man, Dist. Satara in the State of Maharashtra. The User Agency has certified that the project's main objective is to provide an irrigation facility to the command area of 83000 ha. inSataraTaluka and 9725 ha each of Khatav and MaanTaluka which is a drought-prone areas. A total 27750 ha.inSatara Dist. will benefit through flow and lift irrigation. Non-forest land required for this project is 428.266 ha.

3. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nandurbar has certified that:-

- 3.1 No suitable alternatenon-forest land is available and the forest land required is lowestminimum.
- 3.2 The area belongs to Open Forest, Eco-value class-III Category and having density of forest less than 0.1%.

3.3 There is cutting of 4333 trees involved in implementation of the Project.

Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm.	Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm	Total
4313	20	4333

3.4 The project is not included in the area of any National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary or Nature Reserve.

3.5 The project area is not comes with 10 km of Sahyadri Tiger Reserve & JorJambhali Conservation reserve & also the project will not have any adverse effect on the wildlife within Wildlife sanctuary. Proposed area is outside 80 km from boundary of Sahyadri Tiger Reserve & 102 km from boundary of JorJambhali Conservation Reserve.

3.6 No violation of the of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 or its guidelines has been committed.

3.7 Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archaeological or recreational importance.

3.8 Proposed compensatory afforestation over 28.297 ha non-forest land Gut No. 233 at Village Pukalewadi, Taluka Man, District Satara and it is contiguous, Revenue land suitable for afforestation and management purpose and also it is free from encroachment an encumbrance.

3.9 Total non-forest land required is 48.266 ha. 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.

3.10 Three alternatives have not been examined as proposed work will be based on gravity water pipelines and having may branches to main line with minor lines.

4. The User Agency has submitted undertakings:-

4.1 to defray the cost of compensatory afforestation.

4.2 to defray the cost of Net Present Value.

4.3 to provide water supply from the storage of the project as per requirement of the Forest Department for afforestation at prevailing rate at the time of water supply as fixed by the Government.

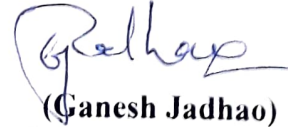
4.4 to bear the cost of clearance/remove vegetation growth & expenditure done for raising plantation on the forest land.

4.5 to submit compliance under FRA-2006.

5. 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 Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.

6. In the circumstances explained in the aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted subject the conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before the Government of India for its approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, be obtained and communicated to this Government.



(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the
Government of Maharashtra

Encl: A) Set of case papers

B) The following documents are enclosed:-

1. Prescribed form as per Rules.
2. Area Statement
3. Commitment from the Applicant 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. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/Nodal/Kolhapur/ID-14246(30)/1720/2022-23, Dt.04.10.2022.
3. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur.
4. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara.
5. Executive Engineer, Urmodi Dam Division, Satara.
6. Select File (F-10).