PART - V

(To be filled up by the Secretary Incharge 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-1315/CR-219/F-10 Dated: 30/07/2015

(Virendra Tiwari) Chief Conservator of Forests (Mantralaya)

Chief Conservator of Forests (Mantralaya)
Revenue and Forest Department
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032

Place: Mumbai

Date: 30/07/2015

Government of Maharashtra

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No.FLD-1315/CR-219/F-10 Revenue and Forest Department, Mantralaya, Room No.456/461 Annex, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk, Madam Cama Marg, Mumbai-400 032 Dated: 30/07/2015

To,
The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (C),
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
West Central Regional Office,
Ground Floor, Eastern Wing,
New Secretariat Building, Opposite Old VCA Stadium,
Civil Lines, Nagpur-440001

Sub.:- Forest Land- Raigad

Diversion of 6.50 Ha of Reserved Forest and Restored Private Forest land for construction of Nagloli storage tank in Raigad district of Maharashtra.

Executive Engineer, Small Scale Irrigation (Water Conservation) Division, Kalwa, Thane has submitted a proposal for diversion of 6.50 Ha of Reserved Forest and Restored Private Forest land for construction of Nagloli storage tank in Raigad district. The details of land proposed for diversion is as under-

Sr. No	Item	Village	Taluka &	Survey No.	Area in Ha.	
			Dist	Section 1.	R.F.	Restored Pvt. Forest.
1	Submergence	Nagloli	Shrivardhan & Dist Raigad	16/2/C, 16/2/D, 27/1/2, 27/1/3, 27/1/5, 27/1/6, 16/3/4, 16/2/A.	-	2.6270
2	Dam Line			16/2/B, 16/2/C, 16/3/3, 16/3/7, 16/3/5, 16/3/4, 16/3/8, 15/2, 16/3/6, 30/1/2, 27/1/5, 27/1/6, 30/1/1.	0.709	2.578
3	Waste Weir & Tail Channel			16/1, 16/2/B, 17/3/2, 17/3/6, 16/3/1, 16/3/7, 16/3/8 Gut No. 117pt	0.0830	0.503
		0.792	5.708			
		6.50 Ha				

2. The project has been initiated by Executive Engineer, Small Scale Irrigation (Water Conservation), Division, Kalwa, Thane for construction of Nagloli storage tank. The Project is administratively approved by Maharashtra Jalsandharan Mahamandal vide its Resolution No. ST/TA/No./794/239 dated 17/03/2011. The total non forest area involved in the project is 4.0400 Ha.

- 3. This project envisages construction of main earthen dam 290 m in length with maximum height 26.70m in gorge. A clear over fall type non—gated waste weir on Right bank of 24.00 m in length is proposed in between Ch 290 m to 314 m. Proposed project is 12 Km away from Shrivardhan. There is no irrigation project on this valley. Therefore command area coming under this scheme has very low water table. This results in scarcity of drinking water almost every year in summer seasons. Agricultural produce will continue to be accrued for further 50 years. Due to creation of reservoir water will seep through the adjoining forest along with reservoir periphery. No fisheries production is proposed to be developed. No hydro power generation provision is proposed. Hence, there will be no benefits involved on this account. It is assumed that there will be an increase of 10 % in the overall economy due to this scheme. Two villagers are to be benefited in the command area with a total population of 3000.
- 4. Collector, Raigad has certified that no alternate alignment is possible and the forest land required is the barest minimum.
- 5. There are 329 trees of various species and girth class in the area proposed for diversion. Out of that only 17 trees below FRL-4 are required to be felled. Girth wise break up is as under-

			Tree (Girth in C	Cm		
15-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	91-105	106-120	Total
0	128	90	75	22	10	4	329

- 6. There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as certified by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha.
- 7. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha has certified that the proposed project is beyond 10 Km of the boundaries of the Protected Area.
- 8. The area belongs to eco-value class III and open forest.
- 9. The User Agency has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed for diversion.
- 10. The User Agency has fulfilled the compliance under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Rights) Act, 2006.
- 11. The Divisional Forest Officer, Osmanabad has certified that the area 6.50 ha from Sur/Gut No. 242 of village Chinchpur (Bk), Tal. Paranda, Dist. Osmanabad proposed for compensatory afforestation is suitable for afforestation and management purpose and also free from encroachment and encumberances. The User Agency has already handed over the alternative land to Forest Department on 19/01/2000.
- 12. The Divisional Forest Officer, Osmanabad has certified that the private area / non forest area proposed for Compensatory Afforestation is neither deemed Reserve Forest under the Maharashtra Private Forests (Acquisition) Act, 1975 nor it has been identified as "Forests" as envisaged in the interim order given by the Honorable Supreme Court dated 12/12/1996.
- 13. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha has certified that the private area / non forest area which is to be acquired for the project is neither deemed Reserve Forest under the Maharashtra Private Forests (Acquisition) Act, 1975 nor it has been identified as "Forests" as envisaged in the interim order given by the Honorable Supreme Court dated 12/12/1996.
- 14. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha has certified that proposed project is not likely to affect any monuments site of cultural, historical, religious archeological or recreational importance.

- 15. The area involved does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 16. The Culturable Command Area (CCA) is 117.00 ha, Irrigable Command Area (ICA) is 105.00 ha and Gross Command Area (GCA) is 131 ha of the proposed project.
- 17. The User Agency has certified that 10 % amount of the project cost will be utilized for the tribal people and their developments from the total expenditure of the project.
- 18. 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.
- 19. In the circumstances explained in above paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted for the nonforestry use on the conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before Government of India for its approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the same may please be obtained and communicated to this Government at earliest.

Yours faithfully,

(Virendra Tiwari) 30 715

Chief Conservator of Forests (Mantralaya)

Encl: A) Set of case papers

b) The following documents are enclosed:-

1. Prescribed form as per Rules.

2. Certificate regarding minimum demand for forest land for the project

3. Area Statement

- 4. Index map of suitable scale
- 5. Commitment from the Applicant for defraying the cost of exploitation as well as cost of compensatory plantation.
- 6. User Agency has given an undertaking of Net Present Value.
- 7. Brief note of the project from the project authority
- 8 Map of non forest land for compensatory afforestation
- 9. Site Inspection Report by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha
- 10. Certificate that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
- 11. Certificate in Part V.

Copy to:

1) Principal Secretary (Water Conservation), Rural Development & Water Conservation Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.

2) Secretary (Tribal), Tribal Development Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.

- Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, with reference to his letter Desk-17/NC/II/I.D 12380/56/612/15-16, dt.4/7/2015
- 4) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
- 5) Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane
- 6) Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Aurangabad
- 7) Collector, Raigad.
- 8) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Roha
- 9) Divisional Forests Officer, Osmanabad
- 10) Executive Engineer, Small Scale Irrigation (W.C.), Division Kalwa, Thane (West)
- 11) Select File F-10.