

**Sub:- Forest Land-Pune.**

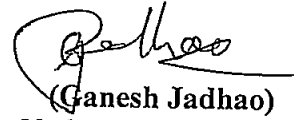
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**PART - V**

(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-1920/CR-82/F-10  
Dated: 28.01.2022



(Ganesh Jadhao)  
Under Secretary to the  
Government of Maharashtra

Under Secretary  
Revenue and Forests Department  
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Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya  
Mumbai 400 032

**Place:** Mumbai.

**Date:** 28.01.2022

## Government of Maharashtra

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To,  
Regional Officer (Central),  
Integrated Regional Office,  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,  
Government of India, Civil Lines,  
Nagpur-440 001.

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Sir,

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur has submitted the proposal for 0.009 ha. Forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of underground water pipeline for drinking water & agriculture purpose at Village-Kurvati, Tal. Velha, Dist-Pune.

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

Item	Village	F.S. / Gut No.	Compt. No.	Length X Width (m)	Area in (Sq.m)	Area (in ha.)	Legal Status
Laying of underground water pipeline	Kurvati, Tal. Velhe, Dist. Pune	39/ Gut No. 3	213	180 x 0.5	90	0.009	Reserved Forest
Total Area					90	0.009	

3. The proposal has been initiated by Shri. Suresh Rambhao Giramakar and he has highlighted that Project Authority having a land at Gut No. 1, Village Kurvati, Tal. Velhe, Dist. Pune. The Panshet Dam Project is near to Malki Gut No.1 as need and demand of water for drinking and farming activities. Project Authority intends to lay out underground water pipeline from back water of Panshet Dam. Khadakwasala Irrigation Division, Pune accorded permission to lift water from Panshet Dam for irrigation purpose vide letter dated 24.10.2016 for 18 years. It is observed that the alignment of the proposed water pipeline is passing through the Forest Compt No. 213, Survey No.39, Gut No. 3 lies exactly between the back

water of Panshet Dam and farmlands. There is no other alternative, therefore proposal for diversion of 0.009 ha Reserved Forest land submitted under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

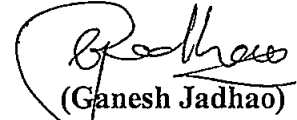
**4. The Sub Divisional Officer, Bhore has certified that:-**

- 4.1 No suitable alternate land is available and the forest land required is barest minimum.
- 4.2 The area belongs to Eco-value class-III, Open Forest.
- 4.3 No cutting and felling of trees involved in implementation of the Project.
- 4.4 The area involved in the project does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 4.5 Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 4.6 There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.
- 4.7 Proposed project is beyond 10 km from the boundary of the Protected Area. (20 km away from Tamhini Wildlife Sanctuary)
- 4.8 The non-forest area covered under the project 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.
- 4.9 Area proposed for diversion is less than 1 ha. therefore, Sub Divisional Officer, Bhore has proposed Compensatory Afforestation over 0.5 ha. degraded forest land at F.S. No. 48, Gut No. 248 Village-Sakhar, Tal. Velhe, Dist. Pune.
- 4.10 All other alternatives have been examined and have to come to conclusion that there is no other alternative non-forest land available for this purpose. Alignment No. III is the most suitable which involves minimum demand of forest area.

**5. The User Agency has submitted an undertaking:-**

- 5.1 To defray the cost of compensatory afforestation.
  - 5.2 To defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed under diversion.
6. The User Agency has submitted certificate under Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dweller's (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 for 0.09 are.
  7. 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.

8. Under the circumstances explained in the aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted on 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 at the earliest.



(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. Certificate regarding minimum demand for forest land for the project
3. Area Statement
4. Commitment from the Applicant for defraying the cost of compensatory Afforestation & Net Present Value of the Forest land
5. Site Inspection Report
6. Certificate that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
7. Certificate in Part V.

**Copy to:**

1. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/NC/II/ID-12742/(19)/1795/2019-20, Dt. 01.02.2020.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & C.E.O. (Maha-CAMPA), Nagpur.
3. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Pune.
4. Sub Divisional Officer, Bhore.
5. Suresh Giramkar, 16/3, Hingane Kd Manikbagh, Sinhgad Road, Pune
6. Select File.