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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,
 Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,
 M.S.Building, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi,
 Bangalore – 560 001.

Subject: Diversion of 0.913 ha Forest land of FSy No.25 of Thindlu village and F.Sy.No.7 of Tarabahalli village of Jadigenahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District for Special road repairs and Improvement to road from IOCL connecting to HP gas and reaching to ITC Foods Ltd from IOCL junction to upto Sy No.19/1 Thindlu Village in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works Division (PWD), Hoskote Sub-Division, NH-75, Service Road, Hoskote, Bengaluru Rural - reg.

Madam/Sir,

Please refer to the PCCF (HoFF) letterNo. KFD/HOFF/A5-4(GFL)/12/2021-FC dated 29/12/2021 seeking prior approval of the State Government in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in respect of the above project. The in-principle (Stage-I) approval to the project was accorded by the State Government vide letters No.FEE 110 FLL 2021 (e) dated 03rd February, 2022 and 04.08.2022. The State Government vide letter No. FEE/110/FLL/2021 dated 06/09/2024 has reported compliance to the conditions in the in-principle approval seeking Stage-II approval from the Central Government.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's final approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **0.913 ha** Forest land of FSy No.25 of Thindlu village and F.Sy.No.7 of Tarabahalli village of Jadigenahalli Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District for Special road repairs and Improvement to road from IOCL connecting to HP gas and reaching to ITC Foods Ltd from IOCL junction to upto Sy No.19/1 Thindlu Village in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works Division (PWD), Hoskote Sub-Division, NH-75, Service Road, Hoskote, Bengaluru Rural, subject to the following

conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the user agency. The user agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
4. The KML file of the area diverted and CA plantation area (ten times the no. of trees to be felled) shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details before issue of final approval by the State Government.
5. Tree felling shall be restricted to the barest minimum possible and under confirmation from the local forest officials.
6. The User Agency shall provide signages in appropriate dimensions and nature on both sides of proposed road within forest limits for sensitization of general public towards the forest wildlife and environmental issues in consultation with the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
7. The application for renewal of the lease in the prescribed form and manner shall be submitted at least six months prior to the expiry of forest lease. In case no renewal is sought the User Agency shall hand over the forest land.
8. In case the diverted land is not put to use for the stipulated purpose, the land would automatically resume back to the Forest Department.
9. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
10. No labor camp shall be established on the forest land.
11. No additional or new paths will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
12. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the laborers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
13. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
14. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
15. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.913 ha.
16. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
17. The User Agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides as per the IRC norms, wherever possible.
18. Suitable signages for speed regulation and animal safety will be erected along the road through forest areas.
19. The User Agency shall provide suitable under /over pass in Protected Area /Forest area as per the recommendations of CWLW/NBWL.
20. The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.

21. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
22. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
23. The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Bengaluru by the end of March every year.
24. Any other condition that the Central Government may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
25. The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
26. The State Govt. shall ensure that the complete compliance of FRA 2006 as per the rule 11 (7) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023.
27. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

Yours faithfully,

(Praneetha Paul)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Executive Officer, National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, 4th Floor, Block No.3, CGO Complex, New Delhi – 110 003.
2. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ Division), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
4. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (VSESA) /Nodal Officer (VSESA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
5. The Executive Engineer, Public Works Ports & Inland Water Transport Department (PWP & WTD), Bengaluru Division, Annexue Building II, 2nd Floor, K.R. Circle, Bengaluru -560 001.
6. The Executive Engineer, Public Works Division (PWD), Hoskote Sub-Division, NH-75, Service Road, Hoskote, Bengaluru Rural, Karnataka.

7. Guard file.