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**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH****FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From  
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To  
The Spl. Chief Secretary to Government,  
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and Technology Department,  
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat,  
Velagapudii, Guntur District.

**Rc.no.EFS02-15026/16/2019-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, dated:15/05/2022.**

Sir,

Sub: APFD - F(C) Act, 1980- Diversion of 0.1511 ha of forest land falling in  
- Compartment no.969 in Pentakota Shelterbelt Forest Block, Yelamanchili  
Range of Visakhapatnam Division for laying pipeline and construction of  
pump house to draw sea water from Bay of Bengal to the DSR hatcheries  
by M/s. DSR Biotech Hatcheries - In-principle (Stage-I) approval accorded -  
Condition-wise compliance report submitted - Reg.

Ref:- 1. Gol, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada F. no. 4-APB12/2021-VIJ/42, dated:  
08.07.2021 received through GoAP memo no. 910/Section.II/2021,  
EFS &T(Section-II) Dept., dated: 13.07.2021  
2. PCCF & HoFF, A.P, Guntur Rc. no. EFS02-15026/16/2019-FCA SEC  
PCCF/FCA-3, dated: 19.07.2021.  
3. CCF, Visakhapatnam Rc. no. 4123/2019/TO, dated: 01.02.2022 &  
09.04.2022.

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It is submitted that, the Government of India in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited have accorded in-principle (*Stage-I*) approval for diversion of 0.1511 ha of forest land falling in Compartment no.969 in Pentakota Shelterbelt Forest Block, Yelamanchili Range of Visakhapatnam Division for laying pipeline and construction of pump house to draw sea water from Bay of Bengal to the DSR hatcheries by M/s. DSR Biotech Hatcheries subject to fulfillment of certain conditions laid down therein.

Accordingly the Chief Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam Circle, Visakhapatnam in the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited has submitted the compliance on the conditions stipulated in the Stage -I approval accorded by the Gol, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited.

The condition-wise compliance is as follows.

**A. Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.**

Cond.	Gol, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada	Compliance
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no.	Stage-I order dated: 08.07.2021.	
(i)	The Stage Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 0.1511 ha from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated: 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.82 in 566 with related IA's in Writ petition (Civil) No.202/1995 and the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide its letter no.5-3/2007-FC, dt: 05.02.2009. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into CAMPA account of the State Concerned.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 94,600/-(Rupees Ninety Four thousand Six hundred only) towards Net Present Value (NPV) into Account no. 150597244624405, Union Bank of India, Lodhi Complex Branch, New Delhi payment to CAMPA by NEFT / RTGS, dt: 31.12.2021 by generating e-challan. Copy enclosed.
(ii)	Cost of raising plantation: (including ten years maintenance) of ten times the number of trees to be felled shall be realized from the user agency towards compensatory Afforestation. Plantation shall be taken up by the state Forest Department in the nearby degraded forest area at the cost of the user agency and details like CA scheme, map with DGPS co-ordinates etc of such degraded forest area to be identified for compensatory afforestation shall be provided along with the compliance report.	<p>The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.1.641 lakh (Rupees One lakh Sixty Four thousand and one hundred only) towards ten times the number of (i.e. 50 no.) trees to be felled under the project into Account no. 150597244624405, Union Bank of India, Lodhi Complex Branch, New Delhi payment to CAMPA by NEFT / RTGS , dt: 31.12.2021by generating e-challan.</p> <p>Further, an area of 0.50 ha of degraded forest land was identified in Compartment no. 634, Vempadu RF near D.L.Puram Village, Yellamanchili Range to plant 500 no. NTS seedlings towards Compensatory Afforestation.</p>
(iii)	The proposal intends to fell trees: acting as shelter belts, hence appropriate mitigation measures shall be implemented I that locality to tackle problems such as wind erosion, etc at the cost of the UA. Site specific scheme shall be prepared and submitted along with the compliance report in addition to the CA Scheme.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.0.319 lakh (Rupees Thirty One thousand nine hundred only) into Account no. 150597244624405, Union Bank of India, Lodhi Complex Branch, New Delhi payment to CAMPA by NEFT / RTGS, dt: 31.12.2021 into CAMPA Account to take appropriate mitigation measures in that locality to tackle problems such as

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		<p>wind erosion etc., under the project cost. Copy enclosed.</p> <p>Further, an area of 0.50 ha of Shelter Belt area was identified in Compartment no.973 of K.Polavaram Forest Block to plant 500 Casuarina seedlings towards to tackle problems such as wind erosion, etc.</p>
(iv)	All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal ( <a href="https://Parivesh.nic.in/">https://Parivesh.nic.in/</a> ).	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 2,90,600/-(Rupees Two lakh Ninety thousand Six hundred only) towards Net Present Value (NPV) , Cost of raising plantation (including ten years maintenance ) and for mitigation measures to tackle wind erosion was remitted into Account no. 150597244624405, Bank name Union Bank of India, Lodhi Complex Branch, New Delhi payment to CAMPA by NEFT / RTGS, dt: 31.12.2021 are deposited into CAMPA fund only through e-portal.
(v)	The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency.	<p>The User Agency has demarcated the proposed forest area by erecting of 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters. The serial number of the poles and GPS Co-ordinates are enclosed.</p> <p>(Photographs enclosed)</p>
(vi)	Compliance report on the above conditions shall be processed and submitted through e-portal ( <a href="https://Parivesh.nic.in/">https://Parivesh.nic.in/</a> ).	The Compliance report has been submitted through e-portal ( <a href="https://Parivesh.nic.in/">https://Parivesh.nic.in/</a> ).
(vii)	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation ) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter-1 of the Hand Book of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, as issued by the Ministry's letter no.5-2/2017-FC, dated:	The User Agency has furnished an undertaking stating that, no violation would take place in the diverted area. If any violation is noticed, the user agency accepted to face necessary action as per rules in force.

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	28.03.2019.	
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**B: Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage=II approval:**

(i)	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged. The User Agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect.
(ii)	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. User Agency shall furnish an under taking to this effect.	The User Agency has furnished an undertaking for compliance of this condition. Copy enclosed.
(iii)	The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas.	The User Agency has furnished an undertaking to deposit muck / debris disposed outside the forest areas at designated dumping sites only.
(iv)	The user agency proposed 0.011 ha for pump house, hence it is to ensure that no residential accommodation in the diverted area for pump house.	The User Agency has furnished an undertaking stating that, no residential accommodation in the diverted area for pump house would be set up.
(v)	The State Government shall ensure that all approvals including CRZ clearance, required if any before handing over of the forest land.	The User Agency has furnished a copy of permission letter for construction of new Shrimp Hatchery issued by Coastal Aquaculture Authority, Government of India, Chennai vide Reg.no.56-9(137)/2020, dt:27.05.2020 and also submitted a copy of order issued by the Coastal Aqua Authority (CAA), Government of India vide F.no.56-3/2020-Tech, dt:05.03.2021 regarding to exemption of 200 meters from High Tide Line for operation of Coastal Aquaculture Hatcheries. Copy enclosed
(vi)	Tree felling in the proposed forest area shall be carried out wherever necessary, with the	The user agency has furnished an undertaking for compliance of this

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	prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned.	condition. Copy enclosed
(vii)	Wherever feasible the State Forest Department shall carry out translocation of the trees at the cost of the user agency.	The user agency has furnished an undertaking for compliance of this condition. Copy enclosed.
(viii)	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has furnished an undertaking stating that, the forest land proposed for diversion will not be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
(ix)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The user agency has furnished an undertaking for compliance of this condition. Copy enclosed
(x)	Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the laborers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby flora & fauna;	The user agency has furnished an undertaking for compliance of this condition. Copy enclosed
(xi)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.1511 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The user agency has furnished an undertaking for compliance of this condition. Copy enclosed
(xii)	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.	Instructions are noted
(xiii)	The user agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated	The user agency has furnished an undertaking to submit compliance report in respect of the stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada by the end of

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	Regional Office, Vijayawada by the end of March every year; and	March every year.
(xiv)	The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	The user agency has furnished an undertaking to comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

The compliance report in (2) sets is submitted herewith.

The Government are therefore requested to forward the same to the Government of India, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada **to accord Stage -II (final)** approval to the subject proposal at the earliest.

Encl:- As above

Yours faithfully  
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Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &  
Head of Forest Force

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam Circle, Visakhapatnam for information.

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Mg. Partner, M/s. DSR Biotech Hatcheries, D. no 6-142, Saipavan Enclave, Main Road, Malikipuram, East Godavari District for information and necessary action.