GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

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The Spl. Chief Secretary to the & Government, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department, Andhra Pradesh, Velagapudi, Amaravati - 522 503.

Ref. No. 15034/35/2021-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, Dated:05/09/2024.

Sir,

Sub:APFD - Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 -

 Diversion of 38.60 ha (revised from 54.00 ha) of forest land falling in Muthukur and Markpur RFs, Markapur WL Division (presently PT Division, Markapur) in favour of the Regional Officer, MoRTH, Vijayawada Division for rehabilitation and up-gradation of National Highway-565 from km 133.922 to km 154.900 (Davupally to Mallapalem Junction) to two lanes with paved shoulders in the State of Andhra Pradesh under NHDP-IV – In-principle/Stage-I approval accorded by Gol, MoEF&CC - Stage-I compliance report submitted -Reg.

Ref: 1. MoEF&CC, RO, Gol, Chennai in Lr.F.No.4-APB208/2023-VIJ/1371, _ dt.06.11.2023.

- 2. Govt.Memo.No.559/Section.II/2023/2027951, EFS&T (Sec.II) Dept., dt.08.11.2023
- 3. CF & FD, PT Circle, Nandyal, Rc.No.1558/2021/TO, dt.13.08.2024.

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Kind attention is invited to the reference 2nd cited, wherein the State Government while communicating the in-principle/Stage-I approval accorded by MoEF&CC, RO, Gol, Chennai under Section '2' of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 38.60 ha (revised from 54.00 ha) of forest land falling in Muthukur and Markpur RFs, Markapur WL Division (presently PT Division, Markapur) in favour of the Regional Officer, MoRTH, Vijayawada Division for rehabilitation and up-gradation of National Highway-565 from Km 133.922 to Km 154.900 (Davupally to Mallapalem Junction) to two lanes with paved shoulders in the state of Andhra Pradesh under NHDP-IV, has requested to furnish Stage-I compliance report.

2) In the reference 3rd cited, the Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Project Tiger Circle, Nandyal has submitted in-principle/Stage-I compliance report, which is as follows;

S. No.	Conditions imposed by MoEF& Stage-I approval	CC, Gol in	Compliance submitted by Conservator of Forests & Field Director, Project Tiger Circle, Nandyal
1.	Legal status of the diverted fores remain unchanged.		Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, user agency has furnished an undertaking stating that the legal status of diverted forest land will remain unchanged.
	Demarcation of the proposed fore be carried out by erecting 4 feet I concrete pillars duly numbered at of 20 meters at the cost of User Ag	nigh cement an interval gency.	Division, Markapur has
	The State Forest Department sha compensatory afforestation over a 90.00 Ha within the 115.03 H forest area identified in the follow at the cost of the User agency:	an extent of a degraded ing four bits	PT Division, Markapur has reported that User Agency has deposited
	SI. rs Location		Rs.9,61,54,000 /- (Rupees: Nine Crores

	No.				Sixty One Lakh Fifty
	1	Bit-I	Compt No 193 of Ganapavaram RF, Rentapalli Beat, Y Palem Range	25 ha (within bit area of 30.04ha	Four Thousand only) towards Compensatory Afforestation (CA) to the State CAMPA account in Union Bank of India Account No.1505061146577367 , NEFT / RTGS Dt:13.03.2024 through online, for carrying out Compensatory afforestation.
	2	Bit-II	Compt No:187of ENB XII RF Mallepalem Beat. Y.Palem Range	25 ha (within bit area of 38.02 ha	
	3	Bit-III	Compt No1 88 of ENB XII RF, Mallepalem Beat. Y.Palem Range Mallepalem Beat,	20 ha (within bit area of 22.33ha	
	4	Bit-IV	Compt No166 & 175, of ENB-X RF Komarolu Beat Y.Palem Range	20 ha (within bit area of 24.64 ha	
	be d		area and CA scher thout prior approv		Instructions are noted.
5.	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land of 38.60ha 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.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and Ministry's guideline No.5-3/2011-FC (Voll) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022 and 22.03.2022 and the Ministry guidelines No.FC-11/ 117/ 2019 - FC dated 15.03.2023;			Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the User Agency deposited Rs.23,71,17,870 /- (Rs: Twenty Three Crores Seventy One Lakh Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy only) towards Net Present Value (NPV), to the State CAMPA account in Union Bank of India Account No: 1505061146577367, NEFT / RTGS Dt:13.03.2024, through online portal.	

(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 under taking	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e portal (<u>https://Parivesh.nic.in/</u>):	-
The State Government / UA shall strictly implement approved Wildlife mitigation plan and all other recommendation of the SC NBWL, at the cost of the project;	Instructions are noted
Trees shall be felled where ever necessary under the strict supervision of the DFO concerned;	
The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost;	reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
The User Agency shall carry out avenue plantation and its maintenance on sides of the road at the cost of the project;	

	agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
the natural streams / rivers / canals shall be	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
Road side cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO concerned so as to stabilize the soil;	reported that, the user
The dug out material / over burden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area;	reported that, the user
The State Government shall ensure settlement of eligible RoFR holders, if any as per the rules / regulation and as per the R&R Scheme;	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency submitted an undertaking stating that, the settlement of eligible RoFR holders will be ensured as per the rules / regulation and as per the R&R Scheme.
changed without the prior approval of the	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage / tree	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it shall be the	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an

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	that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct near by forest flora & fauna;	undertaking to comply with the condition
19.	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 38.60 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
20.	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sub let to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
21.	The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure Compliance to provision so far the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition
22.	Any other conditions that the Central Government or DDG (Central) of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency;	Deputy Director, PT Division, Markapur has reported that, the user agency furnished an undertaking to comply with the condition.
23.	In the event to failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the rules <i>I</i> guide lines issued under FCA, 1980;	DD, PT Markapur has reported that, the User Agency accepted that in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as rules, regulations and guidelines issued under F (C) Act, 1980.
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(https://parivesh.nic.in!);	

3. Further, the CF & FD, PT Circle, Nandyal has reported that, the user agency has published the Stage-I clearance in two widely circulated daily newspapers in Telugu in 'Andhra Prabha' and English in 'The Hindu' and also submitted the acknowledgment copies of Stage-I clearance submitted to local bodies.

4. The Stage-I compliance report submitted by the CF & FD, PT Circle, Nandyal along with necessary enclosures is submitted herewith.

5. The Government is requested to consider the Stage-I compliance report and forward the same to the MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Gol, Chennai for issuance of Stage-II approval.

Encl:- As above.

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Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests &

Head of Forests Force

Copy to the Conservator of Forests& Field Director Project Tiger Circle, Nandyal for information.

Copy to the Deputy Director, PT Markapur for information.

Copy to the Regional Officer, MoRTH, Door no.38-2-3/2, Gorle dalapanna Veedhi, Near American Hospital, Punnammithota, Vijayawada – 520 010 for information.

Copy to the Executive Engineer (R&B), NH Division, Vijayawada for information.

Copy to the Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, O/o the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Mangalagiri for information.

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