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Date 05-04-2024

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,
Forest, Environment and Ecology Department,
M.S. Building, Bengaluru - 560 001.

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 160.4 hectare of forest land in Sy. No.138 and 146 of Karlakatti village, Sy No. 128, 129 and 130 of Chakrageri village and Sy No. 3 and 4 of Kagihal village, Savadatti (Saundatti) Taluk, Belagavi District (Ghataprabha Division, Gokak) for construction of Standalone Pumped Storage Component of Saundatti Integrated Renewable Energy Project (IREP) in favour of the M/s Greenko Solar Energy Private Limited, Bengaluru.

Proposal No. FP/KA/HYD/37723/2018 [Stage-I approved]

- Ref:**
1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, (Forest Conservation Division) New Delhi Letter No.8-29/2021-FC dated 12-07-2022 [Stage-I approval] and 21-09-2023 [change of CA land approval]
 2. This office letter of even number dated 04-11-2023 [communication of GOI letter dated 21-09-2023 to User Agency and the Field officers].
 3. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak letter No. B2/Land/FC/Greenko/23-24-/2444 dated 16-03-2024 [Compliance Report in respect of conditions of Stage-I approval].
 4. Chief Conservator of Forests Belagavi Circle letter No A7/LND/Greenko/CR-/20-21/23-24 dated 19-03-2024 [Compliance Report in respect of conditions of Stage-I approval].

With reference to the above subject, the Government of India vide Ref (1) letter dated 12-07-2022 has accorded 'in-principle' (Stage-I approval) under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to certain conditions stipulated therein.

Subsequently, the Government of India vide Ref (1) letter dated 21-09-2023 has accepted the newly identified CA of 78.1 ha in two parcels (i.e 32.15 ha and 45.95 ha) in Sy Nos.1/5,1/7 & 1/9 of Kundacheri village (45.95 ha) and Sy No. 84/2, 84/7 of Sannapulikutu village (32.15 ha) of Kodagu District.

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Accordingly, this office vide Ref (2) has communicated the same to the Field Officers and User Agency and directed them to submit the Compliance Report in respect of the conditions of Stage-I approval.

In response, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak vide Ref (3) has submitted the condition-wise Compliance Report to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Belagavi Circle and who has, in turn vide Ref (4) has submitted it to this office.

Based on the reports received as above, the status of compliance to the conditions of Stage-I approval is as under.

Condition of Stage-I dated 12-07-2022	Status of compliance
A: Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department and compliance is to be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:	
1 The User Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted (i.e. 160.4 ha of forest land) under this proposal, as per this Ministry's issued vide letters dated 06.01.2022 and 22.03.2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into National Authority CAMPA account of the State Concerned;	The User Agency has deposited Net Present Value of Rs. 15,36,27,912/- @ Rs. 9,57,780/- per ha towards NPV to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024. Copy of the Payment Page taken from Parivesh web portal is enclosed as [ANNEXURE- I].
2 The State Government is requested to submit the Study report about the impact on Aquatic faunal species of the reservoir due to the project before the grant of stage-II approval	The State Government has entrusted the study on Aquatic faunal species of the reservoir due to the project to EMPRI, (a Govt of Karnataka Undertaking). EMPRI has submitted the report/findings to PCCF, Govt of Karnataka vide letter dated 01-08- 2023. (Copy of report is enclosed at ANNEXURE II A . The User agency has submitted an undertaking to comply the recommendation of EMPRI report. The Copy of the undertaking is enclosed as ANNEXURE II B .
3 A joint survey of all the proposed 5 survey numbers for CA plantation be carried out with the	The user agency has provided an extent of 88.95 ha of Non-Forest Land (NFL) in Dabaka (Village) and Chimagaon

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	<p>help of Revenue & Forest Department in presence of the legal stakeholders to finalize the net area of the plantation free from all encumbrances. Illegal encroachments, if any, identified after the joint demarcation should be evicted as per the laws in force;</p>	<p>(Village) in Bidar District. However, this land patch was retained by the forest dept for conservation of Lesser florican without any plantations. Accordingly, for plantation purpose, another patch of 88.98 ha Degraded Forest Land (DFL) has been identified by the Forest department in Humnabad i.e Bemalkheda Sy.No 521 & Sy.No 611.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per the recommendations of the IRO, Bengaluru, joint survey of Revenue and Forest dept in the above Sy.No 521 & Sy.No 611 of Degraded Forest Land (DFL) was carried out and it was certified that the land is free from encroachment and free from encumbrances (Copy enclosed as ANNEXURE II C) and thereafter, CA scheme on DFL patch has been prepared for Rs 21,26,55,200/-. Balance, CA Land (NFL) of 78.10 Ha has been provided in Madikeri with CA scheme for Rs 96,90,000/-.
4	<p>The proposed CA land (both NFL and DFL), as identified by the State Forest Department should be notified as either PF or RF by the State Government prior to Stage-II approval;</p>	<p>The Government of Karnataka, Gazette Notification No FEE 16 FAF 2024 dated 26-02-2024 has declared an extent of 88.95 Ha in various Sy Nos of Dabaka and Chimagaon Villages, Dabaka Hobli, Kamalanagar Taluk, Bidar District as Protected Forest under section 33 of Karnataka Forest Act 1963.</p> <p>The Government of Karnataka, Gazette Notification No FEE 15 FAF 2024 dated 26-02-2024 has declared an extent of 45.95 Ha in Sy No 1/5,1/7 & 1/9 of Kundacheri Village, Bhagamandala Hobli, Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu District as Protected Forest under section 33 of Karnataka Forest Act 1963.</p> <p>The Government of Karnataka, Gazette Notification No FEE 24 FAF 2024 dated 26-02-2024 has declared an extent of 32.15 Ha in Sy No 84/2 & 84/7 of Sannapulikotu Village, Bhagamandala</p>

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		<p>Hobli, Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu District as Protected Forest under section 33 of Karnataka Forest Act 1963.</p> <p>The GOK Gazette copies are enclosed as ANNEXURE-III.</p>
5	<p>The non-forest land proposed for CA shall be transferred and mutated in the name of Forest Department and notified as RF/ PF prior to Stage- II approval. A copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the State Forest Act as the case may be, will be submitted by the State Government prior to Stage-II approval;</p>	<p>The Government of Karnataka, Notifications dated 26-02-2024 has declared an extent of 167.05 ha non forest land identified in Bidar and Madikeri as Protected Forest under section 33 of Karnataka Forest Act 1963. The copies of the same is enclosed as ANNEXURE IV.</p>
6	<p>The land identified for the purpose of CA shall be clearly depicted on a Survey of India topo sheet of 1:50,000 scale;</p>	<p>The land identified for the purpose of CA in (Bidar and Madikeri) has been clearly depicted on a Survey of India topo-sheet in 1:50,000 scale as part of Forest Diversion. The copy enclosed as ANNEXURE V.</p>
7	<p>The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars if required on the CA land shall be deposited through online e-portal into the CAMPA account in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;</p>	<p>The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs, 22,23,45,200/- for compensatory afforestation in two Districts i.e Bidar & Madikeri. The details are as follows.</p> <p><u>Bidar:-</u></p> <p>The User Agency has deposited Compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars Rs, 21,26,55,200/- @ Rs. 18,36,000/- per ha towards NPV to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024.</p> <p><u>Madikeri:-</u></p> <p>The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs, 96,90,000/- for</p>

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		<p>improvement of the forest crop development to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024.</p> <p>As per Rule 11 of (<i>Notification bearing GSR 480 (E) dated 28-06-2022</i>) duly reiterated vide Rule 13 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 1980, if the user agency provides NFL as CA land and the said NFL is having wooded growth beyond the specified crown density, then the user agency need not pay the amount for compensatory Afforestation. However, the user agency may need to pay charges for crop improvement, if required.</p> <p>In respect to the NFL CA lands of Madikeri District, the lands are wooded beyond the minimum specified crown density.</p> <p>Accordingly, Crop-Improvement charges of Rs 96,90,000/- has been imposed and recovered from the User Agency.</p>
8	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited in CAMPA account only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/).	The User Agency has deposited the compensatory levies in the State Compensatory Afforestation Fund through FC web portal as mentioned against the Condition No. (A) 1, 7 & 9. (B) 3, 4 & 25.
9	The copy of approved CAT plan , if applicable shall be submitted in accordance to this Ministry's guidelines issued and commensurate funds shall be deposited in the account of National Authority, CAMPA through on-line portal;	<p>The copy of the CAT plan has been approved by the State Govt with a financial provision of Rs 47,65,000/-.</p> <p>Further, the User Agency has deposited CAT plan of Rs. 47,65,000/- to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024.</p> <p>Copy of the Payment Page taken from Parivesh web portal is enclosed as [ANNEXURE- I].</p>
10	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal	The compliance report has been uploaded

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	(https://parivesh.nic.in/).	on the e-Portal.
11	State Government shall complete the settlement of rights, in term of the Scheduled Tribes and Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, if any, on the forest land to be diverted and submit the documentary evidence, as prescribed by this Ministry's letter No. 11- 9/1998FC (pt.) dated 03.08.2009 read with 05.07.2013, in support thereof;	The User Agency has submitted the requisite Certificate in FORM-II (Nonlinear projects) issued by the Deputy Commissioner Belagavi, vide No. RB/LND/CR-406/2019-20 dated 02-02-2024 is enclosed as [ANNEXURE-VI]
12	The correct and complete KML files of diverted area and the CA areas shall be uploaded on the E-green watch portal with all requisite details;	The KML file of the forest area diverted and CA area will be uploaded in the e-green portal with all requisite details after receipt of the Stage-II approval.
B: Conditions which need to be 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 and compliance is to be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:		
1	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	The legal status of forest land remains unchanged and it will be monitored by the Forest Department in future. Moreover, the User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-VII]
2	The Forest land will be handed over only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over by the user agency;	The Forest land will be handed over only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over by the user agency after stage-II approval.
3	Existing natural regeneration of local species should be encouraged by way of singling and promoting the growth of promising shoots;	The User Agency has deposited for Existing natural regeneration of local species of Rs. 14,92,201/- to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024. Copy of the Payment Page taken from Parivesh web portal is enclosed as [ANNEXURE- I].
4	Planting of tall plants, watering	The User Agency has deposited for

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	and fencing to the plantation shall be carried out to protect the plantation in future from various biotic pressure including possible illegal encroachments. The maintenance of the plantation should be done accordingly as per the model approved by the State Government;	Planting of tall plants, watering and fencing to the plantation of Rs. 3,93,43,000/- to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024. Copy of the Payment Page taken from Parivesh web portal is enclosed as [ANNEXURE- I].
5	The Compensatory Afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over NFL/DFL at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted, and monoculture of any species may be avoided. With provision for ten years on subsequent maintenance;	The User Agency has deposited for Planting of tall plants, watering and fencing to the plantation of Rs. 22,23,45,200/- to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024. Copy of the Payment Page taken from Parivesh web portal is enclosed as [ANNEXURE- I].
6	Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-VIII]
7	The cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Dept;	The User Agency has given an undertaking to restrict the felling of trees at the time of work execution to minimum numbers in the diverted forest land and the trees will be felled under supervision of Forest Department duly depositing the cost of felling trees. The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-IX]
8	The user agency shall carry out muck disposal at pre-designated sites in such a manner so as to avoid rolling down;	The User Agency will carry out the muck disposal at pre designated sites in such a manner so as to avoid its rolling down.
9	The dumping area for a muck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The user agency has identified the

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	disposal shall be stabilized and reclaimed by planting suitable species by the user agency at the cost of project under the supervision of State Forest Department. Retaining walls and terracing shall be carried out to hold the dumping material in the place. Stabilization and reclamation of such dumping sites shall be completed before handing over the same to the State Forest Department in a time bound manner as per plan;	<p>muck disposal sites in the Non-Forest Land. The Muck disposal plan as approved by MoEF&CC (IA Division) is attached as ANNEXURE-X.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The user agency will stabilize and reclaim the dumping area for muck disposal by planting suitable species under the supervision of State Forest Department. Further, the user agency will construct retaining walls and terracing to hold the dumping material in place as proposed under EMP. • The muck disposal sites have been identified on private lands, the same shall be retained by the user agency for project purposes after successful restoration.
10	The State Government and the user agency shall ensure that the trees available between full reservoir level (FRL) and FRL-4 meters are not felled.	The User agency has submitted that restriction of trees at FRL & FRL-4 is not applicable in the instant project, as FRL of reservoir is created in the project by constructing artificial embankment vertically above the natural ground surface all around and the these are created away from natural stream/reservoirs.
11	The user agency shall undertake afforestation along with periphery of the reservoir;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XI]
12	The user agency shall provide free water for forestry related projects;	<p>The User agency has submitted that, the instant project is a pumped storage project located away from the natural streams/rivers. One time water shall be drawn and stored in the artificial reservoirs created for power generation. This one- time water is allotted by the State Govt on commercial usage basis (on payment basis) and there shall be no surplus water available with the user agency to allot water for forestry related activities. Hence, provision of free water for forestry related activities from the project is not possible.</p> <p>However, the user agency has submitted</p>

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		an undertaking to support 2-3 solar powered bore wells. (Copy of the same is enclosed as ANNEXURE-XII).
13	User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;	The User Agency has given an undertaking to restrict the felling of trees at the time of work execution to minimum numbers in the diverted forest land and the trees will be felled under supervision of Forest Department duly depositing the cost of felling trees. The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XIII]
14	The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;	The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (Impact Assessment Division) letter No. J-12011/11/2018-IA.I (R) dated 19-09-2022 & 24-03-2023 has accorded the Environment Clearance. The copy of the same is enclosed as ANNEXURE-XIV]
15	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XV]
16	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS co- ordinates;	The User Agency has demarcated the diverted forest land by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered all along the periphery which is under progress. The user agency has given undertaking to this effect [ANNEXURE – XVI] .
17	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XVII]
18	The forest area shall be used for the purpose of which it is granted. The total forest land utilized for the project shall not	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XVIII]

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	exceed i.e. 160.40ha;	
19	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XIX]
20	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;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XX]
21	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be cause;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XXI]
22	The layout plan of the mining plan/ proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XXII]
23	The Forest Clearance will be for a period co- terminus with the lease period specified in the lease agreement. The State govt. will submit the lease agreement documents specified in the lease agreement.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE- XXIII]
24	The User Agency shall implement the R&R plan as per the R&R policy of State Govt. in Consonance with national R&R policy, Govt. of India before the commencement of the project work. The said R&R plan will be monitored by the State Govt/IRO of MoEF&CC along with indicators for monitoring and expected observable milestones, if applicable;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It is submitted that, with reference to the private land purchase through private negotiations and the application of the provisions relating to rehabilitation and resettlement for the Project as per the Section 2(3) (a) of The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act (RFCTLARR), 2013, following provisions shall apply in case: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. private company purchases land, equal to or more than such limits in rural areas or urban areas, as may be prescribed by the appropriate Government, through private negotiations with the owner of the land in accordance with the provisions of section 46;With reference to the above

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		<p>section the relevant limits on extent of land under Section 2(3) (a) are prescribed by the Government of Karnataka under Section 31 of The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (Karnataka) Rules, 2015. As per the said rules:</p> <p>31. Purchases by Person other than Specified Person:-(1) The provisions of section 46 of the Act, relating to rehabilitation and resettlement shall apply in the rural areas or urban areas, in the cases where any person 'other than specified person' purchase land through private negotiations with the owners of the land;</p> <p>The Government of Karnataka is enclosed as ANNEXURE XXIV.</p>
25	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;	<p>The User Agency has deposited Mitigative measures of Rs. 68,21,200/- to CAMPA account through FC web portal on 12-03-2024.</p> <p>Copy of the Payment Page taken from Parivesh web portal is enclosed as [ANNEXURE- I].</p>
26	The user agency shall explore the possibility of translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE- XXV]
27	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climatic Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife shall be carried with by the State Government and user	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE- XXVI]

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	agency;	
28	The User Agency shall submit the annual self- compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Integrated Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year regularly;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE- XXVII]
29	The user agency shall comply all the provisions of 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; and	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XXVIII]
30	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 Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019;	The User Agency has agreed and submitted an Undertaking in this regard. [ANNEXURE-XXIX]

In view of the above-mentioned compliance to conditions of Stage-I approval as reported by the field officers, **it is requested to move the proposal to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, (Forest Conservation Division) New Delhi for accord final approval (Stage-II) under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for diversion of 160.4 hectare of forest land in Sy. No.138 and 146 of Karlakatti village, Sy No. 128, 129 and 130 of Chakrageri village and Sy No. 3 and 4 of Kagihal village, Savadatti (Saundatti) Taluk, Belagavi District (Ghataprabha Division, Gokak) for construction of Standalone Pumped Storage Component of Saundatti Integrated Renewable Energy Project (IREP) in favour of the M/s Greenko Solar Energy Private Limited, Bengaluru for a period co-terminus with the lease period specified in the lease agreement.**

The relevant documents in 3 sets are submitted here with for kind perusal and further action. The present status of the proposal obtained from the web-portal is also appended for necessary action.

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Yours Faithfully

Signed by

Brijesh Kumar

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Date: 03-04-2024 16:02:28

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA)

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4. Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak for information.
5. Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests Bidar Division, Bidar for information.
6. Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests Madikeri Division, Madikeri for information.
7. M/s Greenko Solar Energy Private Ltd, Ground floor, Prestige Khoday Tower, No.05, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru 560 001 for information.

KARNATAKA FOREST DEPARTMENT

No : A7/LND/Greenko/CR- /20-21/23-24

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Office of the,
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Dated : 19-03-2024

To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
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Sir,

Sub :- Diversion of 160.40 ha forest land in Sy No. 138 & 146 of Karlakatti village, Sy No. 128, 129 & 130 of Chakrageri village and Sy No. 3 & 4 of Kagihal village, Savadatti Taluk, Belagavi District (Ghataprabha Division Gokak) for construction of Standalone Pumped storage component of Soudatti integrated Renewable Energy Project (IREP) in favour of the M/s. Greenko Solar Energy Private Limited, Bengaluru, Karnataka State (online proposal No. FP/KA/HYD/37723/2018) Submission of compliance report to Stage-I (in-principle) Forest Clearance stipulation-teg.

Ref :-1) Your office letter No. A5(2)/GFL/CR-27/2018-19, Dated: 15-03-2024.

2) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak Letter No. B2/Land/FC/Greenko/23-24/2444 Dated: 16-03-2024.

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With reference to the above subject, I am submitting here with the compliance report submitted by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak under reference No. (2) for further needful action.

This is for your kind perusal.

Your's faithfully


Chief Conservator of Forests,
Belagavi Circle, Belagavi.

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Letter No.B2/Land/FC/Greenko/2023-24

To,

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Sir,

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 160.40 Ha forest land in Sy No.138 & 146 of Karlakatti village, Sy No.128, 129 & 130 of Chakrageri village and Sy No.3 & 4 of Kagihal village, Savadatti (Soudatti) Taluk, Belagavi District (Ghataprabha Division, Gokak) for construction of Standalone Pumped Storage Component of Soudatti Integrated Renewable Energy Project (IREP) in favour of the M/s. Greenko Solar Energy Private Limited, Bengaluru, Karnataka State (Online Proposal No.FP/KA/HYD/373323/2018)-**Submission of compliance report to stage-I (In-Principle) Forest Clearance Stipulation** -reg.

Ref: 1)Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Letter No:8-29/2021-FC Dated:12.07.2022 (Stage-1/In-Principle approval).
2) Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Letter No:8-29/2021-FC Dated:21.09.2023 (Revised CA (NFL)).
3)User agency-Greenko Solar Energy Private Limited Letter No:KA01/MoEF&CC-FCS-1/240315 Dated:15.03.2024

Adverting to the above subject, The Government of India vide ref (1) granted stage-I clearance for diversion of 160.40 ha of forest land for above mentioned project and directed to submit compliance report to stage-I conditions. Vide ref (2) Government of India revised CA (NFL) locations.

Vide ref (3) user agency submitted compliance report to this office (seven copies), the compliance report is examined by this office and user agency has complied all stipulated stage-I conditions. Hence, compliance report (six copies) is submitted for further process of proposal.

Compliance report submitted by UA is enclosed.

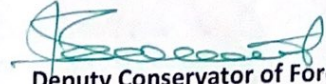
Yours Faithfully,

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- Copy submitted to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Conservation & Nodal Officer (FCA), Bengaluru for information.

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