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Sub.:- Diversion of 0.2260 ha Reserved Forest land in favour of Divisional Forest Officer, Mumbai Mangrove Conservation Unit, Mumbai for Development of Mnagrove Conservation Centre and Mnagrove Park at village Gorai Tal. Borivali, in Mumbai Suburban District in the State of Maharashtra - regarding

No.:Desk-17/NC/II/ID-12701/(67)/ 978 /20-21

Nagpur - 440 001, Dated: 04/01/2021

To,

The Deputy Director General (Forests),
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Regional Office (WCZ), Ground Floor, East Wing,
New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines,
Nagpur 440001

Ref:-1) Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change vide letter no. FC-I/MH-151/2019/NGP/5492, dated 9/7/2019

2) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangrove Cell, Mumbai letter no. Land/Desk-3/754/19-20, dated 15/10/2020

The Central Government has accorded in principle approval for the subject proposal under section 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980, subject to fulfillment of conditions mentioned in the letter dated 9/7/2019 under reference. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangrove Cell, Mumbai vide letter dated 15/10/2020 has submitted the compliance report which is furnished as under:-

Sr. No.	Condition	Compliance
i	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-I).
ii	Compensatory Afforestation	
a	Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department by planting 100 numbers of Mangroves or 10 time number of Mangroves getting trimmed, whichever is more at the cost of user agency as far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.	The User Agency has taken planting 100 numbers of Mangroves or 10 time number of Mangroves getting trimmed. In this regard, the User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 1,00,000/- toward planting 100 numbers of Mangroves or 10 time number of Mangroves getting trimmed.

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iii	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 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.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.393,800/- toward compensatory afforestation in Ad-hoc CAMPA account.						
iv	NPV							
a	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value(NPV) for the 0.2260 ha Forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the orders Of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30/10/2002, 01/08/2003, 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in IA No.566 in WP(C) No.202/1995 and as per the Guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No.5-1/1998-FC(Pt II) dated 18/09/2003, As well as letter No.5-2/2006-FC dated 03/10/2006 and 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 in this regard.	The User Agency has deposited an of Rs. 2,12,214/- towards Net Present Value (NPV) in Ad-hoc CAMPA account.						
b	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 o this effect.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as Annexure-II .						
v	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.	There is no cutting or felling of mangrove trees to this project. Only trimming of the branches at some point will be required and that will also done under the supervision of State Forest Dept.						
vi	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/).	<p>The User Agency has transferred Rs. 7,06,014/- to Ad-hoc CAMPA via generating E-challan vide RTGS UTR No. UBIN419254425761, as per details mentioned below :-</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sr No</th><th>Item</th><th>Amount</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td><td>CA cost for 100 no. of mangroves plant</td><td>1,00,000/-</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Sr No	Item	Amount	1.	CA cost for 100 no. of mangroves plant	1,00,000/-
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		2	CA	3,93,800/-
		3	NPV	2,12,214/-
			Total	7,06,014/-
		The copy is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-III).		
vii	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.	The User Agency has submitted the FRA-2006 cert dated 28/7/2020 issued by Collector, Mumbai Suburban alongwith connected documents is enclosed as (Annexure-IV).		
viii	User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.	The copy of the Environment Clearance is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-V).		
ix	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-VI).		
x	No labour camps shall be established on the forest land.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-VII).		
xi	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the Labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-VIII).		
xii	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-IX).		
xiii	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 submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-X).		
xiv	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.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-XI).		
xv	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-XII).		

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C-125	xvi	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any Other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-XIII).
C-123	xvii	The user agency should fulfil the compliance of conditions mentioned in CRZ Clearance issued Vide State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority vide letter dated 05/03/2019.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-XIV).
C-121	xviii	The user agency should fulfil the compliance of condition mentioned in approval of Executive Committee of Maharashtra Eco-Tourism Development Board, Nagpur in its meeting held on Dated 17/11/2018.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-XV).
	xix	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF& CC Guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC dt. 29/01/2018;	The condition will be followed by the User agency.
C-119	xx	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate From time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure-XVI).
	xxi	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/)	The condition will be followed by the User agency.

In view of the above facts, it is requested that Government of India may kindly be moved to issue approval order under section – 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as early as possible.

Encls : As above

Yours sincerely

(Sanjeev Gaur)

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer

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