

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From
Smt. R.Sobha, I.F.S.,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force),
Telangana, "Aranya Bhavan",
Saifabad, Hyderabad.

To
The Spl. Chief Secretary to the Government,
Forest Department,
Telangana, Secretariat,
Hyderabad.

Rc.No.6494/2016/FCA-1, Dated 31.12.2021

Madam,

Sub:- F (C) Act, 1980 - Diversion of forest land to an extent Diversion of forest land to an extent of **4.660 ha (4.41 Ha in Khammam & 0.246 Ha in Paloncha)** Division - for laying of Pipeline and Construction of structures in **Segment-25/14 (Balarajugutta)** - for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project - in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Khammam - In-principle (Stage.I) approval - **Condition-wise compliance & Additional information - Submitted** - Regarding.

Ref:-

1. Chief Engineer, TDWSP, RWS&S Department, Hyderabad Lr.No. AEE1/SEG-25-14/Khammam/FOREST/2016 dated 07.04.2016.
2. PCCF Rc. No. 6494/2016/FCA-1/TS, dt. 02.05.2016
3. CF, Kothagudem Rc. No. 68/2016/M3, dt. 01.02.2017
4. PCCF's Ref.No. 6494/2016/FCA-1/TS, dt. 06.05.2017.
5. State Govt Lr.No.2001/For.I(1)/2017-1 dated 25.09.2017.
6. From GoI, MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Chennai F.No.4-TSB083/2017-CHN/1134, dt.21.07.2017.
7. PCCF's Ref.No.6494/2016/FCA-1/TS, dt.02-08-2017.
8. CF, Kothagudem Rc.No.68/2016/M3 dt. 09-07-2019.
9. GOI, MoEF & CC, Regional Office (SE Zone), Chennai F.No.4-TSB055/2017-CHN/1953, Dt.18.06.2020.
- 10.PCCF's Rc.No.03/2015/FCA-1 (iii) dated 12.01.2021.
- 11.CF, Kothagudem, Rc.No.68/2016/M3 dated 23.09.2021.

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Kind attention is invited to the references cited.

It is submitted that the Government of India vide reference 6th cited has conveyed Central Government **in-principle (Stage.I) approval** under Section 2 of Forest (C) Act, 1980, for diversion of **4.66 ha** in erstwhile Khammam and Paloncha Divisions and presently Paloncha forest division under Kothagudem District, for laying of Pipe Line and Construction of Structures in **Segment-25/14 (Balarajugutta)** - for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project - in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Khammam. The above orders have been communicated to all the concerned officers with instructions to submit condition-wise compliance report in the matter, vide reference 7th cited.

Accordingly, the Forest Divisional Officer, Paloncha has obtained compliance report from the User Agency and submitted the same together with its enclosures through Conservator of Forests, Kothagudem, which is received in this office through reference 8th cited. A copy of reference 8th cited together with its enclosures **in triplicate** are enclosed herewith.

The condition-wise compliance report is reproduced with remarks as follows:-

Sl. No.	Description of the Condition	Compliance
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(i)	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.

(ii)	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 deposited amount of Rs.32,39,000/- (as a part of Rs.40,14,000/-) in the PD account of FDO, Paloncha through online UTR No. IDIBH18137419878 dated.17.05.2018 (copy enclosed). Out of the above total amount Rs.40,14,000/- the following is the part towards demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting cement concrete pillars:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="889 600 1425 1329"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="889 600 987 731">Sl. No</th> <th data-bbox="987 600 1252 731">Item</th> <th data-bbox="1252 600 1425 731">Amount (Rs. In lakhs)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="889 731 987 981">1.</td> <td data-bbox="987 731 1252 981">Cost of Cement concrete pillars 4 feet Height (Total length 69000 mtr) 1 pillar @ 500 mtrs at corners = 138 No's @ Rs.10000)</td> <td data-bbox="1252 731 1425 981">13,80,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="889 981 987 1244">2.</td> <td data-bbox="987 981 1252 1244">Cost of cement concrete pillars 6" X6"X4' (Total length 690000 mtrs) 1 pillar @ 20 Mtrs = 2730 Nos @ Rs.700)</td> <td data-bbox="1252 981 1425 1244">16,59,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="889 1244 987 1329">3.</td> <td data-bbox="987 1244 1252 1329">Overheads</td> <td data-bbox="1252 1244 1425 1329">2,00,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" data-bbox="889 1284 1252 1329">Total :</td> <td data-bbox="1252 1284 1425 1329">32,39,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Sl. No	Item	Amount (Rs. In lakhs)	1.	Cost of Cement concrete pillars 4 feet Height (Total length 69000 mtr) 1 pillar @ 500 mtrs at corners = 138 No's @ Rs.10000)	13,80,000	2.	Cost of cement concrete pillars 6" X6"X4' (Total length 690000 mtrs) 1 pillar @ 20 Mtrs = 2730 Nos @ Rs.700)	16,59,000	3.	Overheads	2,00,000	Total :		32,39,000
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(iii)	The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 4.66 out of the 145.18 ha of non-forest land identified in sy.no.100 of Nagilla Village at Madgul Mandal in Amangal Range of Amangal Division at the cost of user agency.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.79,40,470/- towards C.A. Scheme into the account of TELANGANA STATE CAMPA, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, in A/c No.6432456786 with UTR No.IDIBH 18127405102 Dated 07-05-2018 against the project proposal No.FP/TG/WATER/18949/2016															
(iv)	Identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.															
(v)	The CA area identified at Amangal Division which is apportioned project wise shall be treated as per the CA scheme approved.	The Non forest land to an extent of 145.18 Ha. has been identified in Sy.No.100 of Nagilla (V) at Madgul Mandal in Amangal Range of Amangal Division apportioned project wise including the CA Area identified for the present proposal all relevant details to that extent undertaking is enclosed herewith.															
(vi)	Non-Forest land identified for raising compensatory afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before issue of the Stage-II clearance.	The non-forest land identified by the UA, for raising compensatory afforestation has been transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department.(copy enclosed)															

(vii)	Non-Forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation, shall be declared as Reserved Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the local forest Act. The Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of 6 months from the date of grant of final approval and send 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 local forest Act as the case may be, to this office for information and record.	The non-forest CA land transferred & mutated in favour of State Forest Department will be declared as PF/ RF under Telangana Forest Act, 1967 within a period of six months upon receipt of Stage-II approval.												
(viii)	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 4.66 ha from 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 Write Petition (Civil) No.202/1995.	<p>The User agency has deposited an amount of Rs.79,40,470/- into the account of Telangana State CAMPA, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, with UTR No.IDIBH1827405102 (Rs.79,40,470/-) dated 07-05-2018, against the project proposal No. FP/TG/WATER/18949/ 2016, which includes:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="928 1302 1474 1547"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl. No.</th> <th>Purpose</th> <th>Amount (in Rs.)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>Net Present Value (NPV)</td> <td>37,41,980/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.</td> <td>Cost of CA</td> <td>41,98,490/-</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">TOTAL:</td> <td>79,40,470/-</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The deposited amount is reflected online in the Ministry's portal.</p>	Sl. No.	Purpose	Amount (in Rs.)	1.	Net Present Value (NPV)	37,41,980/-	2.	Cost of CA	41,98,490/-	TOTAL:		79,40,470/-
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(ix)	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 User Agency.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.												
(x)	The funds received from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value under this project including levies towards mitigation measures for wildlife conservation etc shall be deposited in the respective bank account of the Telangana State CAMPA. <u>The User Agency shall compulsorily deposit the CA and other levies only by generating challan through the Ministry's</u>	<p>The User agency has deposited an amount of Rs.79,40,470/- into the account of Telangana State CAMPA, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, with UTR No.IDIBH1827405102 (Rs.79,40,470/-) dated 07-05-2018, against the project proposal No. FP/TG/WATER/18949/ 2016, which includes:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="928 2310 1474 2450"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl. No.</th> <th>Purpose</th> <th>Amount (in Rs.)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>Net Present Value (NPV)</td> <td>37,41,980/-</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Sl. No.	Purpose	Amount (in Rs.)	1.	Net Present Value (NPV)	37,41,980/-						
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(xi)	The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, shall 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 agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.	
(xii)	Tree felling in the proposed forest area shall be carried out wherever necessary, with the prior permission of the District Forest Officer concerned.	Out of Rs.40,14,000/- a part Rs.7,75,000/- has been paid by the User Agency as the Tree Extraction Charges through online UTR No. IDIBH18137419878 dated.17.05.2018. (copy enclosed)	
(xiii)	State Forest Department shall carry out translocation of the trees wherever feasible at the cost of User Agency.	Yes, the User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.	
(xiv)	Wherever necessary, the user agency shall provide free supply of water for forest nurseries and field staff quarters and range offices, besides providing outlets with small troughs during summer for wild animals in the forest areas.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.	
(xv)	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 agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.	
(xvi)	The layout plan for the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.	
(xvii)	The user agency shall use existing paths and roads for laying of pipeline and no new paths / roads are to be formed.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.	
(xviii)	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 labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.	

(xix)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 4.66 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any other purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xx)	The user agency should make provisions for supply of water to wildlife at designated places / along the route passing through forest areas, in consultation with Telangana Forest Department. Such provision should be made at intervals of 2 km each. The Chief Wildlife Warden is advised to develop a master plan to use the proposed pipelines for supply of water to the wildlife. Precautions have to be taken to avoid concentration of livestock at the water point.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxi)	The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation as mentioned by the DFO, Paloncha Division Sl.No. 12(v)(a) & (b) of part-II i.e., 2780.67 ha of forest land and 187.32 ha of non-forest land shall be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in the web portal.	The progress of the Compensatory Afforestation will be monitored by the concerned field officers and copy of the monitoring report will be forwarded to the Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Chennai through Nodal Officer for FCA, from time to time besides uploading of the same in web portal.
(xxii)	User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provision of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxiii)	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Addl. PCCF (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.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xxiv)	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.

Further, the stage-I clearance has been published by the User Agency in Telugu daily newspapers on **19-12-2018**. (Copy enclosed).

Further, the GOI vide reference 9th cited have requested to furnish the additional information on all segments of Telangana Drinking Water Supply Projects in a prescribed proforma, for which Stage-I approval has been accorded by the Regional

Office. . Accordingly, this office vide reference 10th cited has called for the above information on all segments, Now, the CF, Kothagudem vide reference 11th cited has submitted the additional information in the prescribed proforma, the additional information as sought by GOI received is enclosed as **Annexure-I**. In addition to the above, this office has also sought some additional information, which is also enclosed as **Annexure-II**.

In view of the above, the Government are requested to take necessary action for according final (Stage-II) approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and communicate the orders in the matter, at an early date.

Yours faithfully

Sd/- R.Sobha

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

Encl: (As above)

Copy to the Conservator of Forests, Kothagudem, District Forest Officer, Bhadradi Kothagudem and Forest Divisional Officer, Paloncha, for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, SRTGN Bhavan, Errum Manzil Colony, Hyderabad.

Copy to the Chief Engineer, Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project (RWS&S), Hyderabad.

Copy to the Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Khammam.

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D. Subramanyam
Superintendent 4/1/2022

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ANNEXURE- I

The Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office (SE Zone), Chennai in F.No.4-TSB055/2017-CHN/1953, Dt.18.06.2020 have called for Additional information on all segments. Accordingly, the information in respect of Segment 15/1 (Konampet) received from the concerned Division / Circle is reproduced below for taking necessary action.

S. No.	Name of the proposals and proposals Number	Extent of area diverted	Date of Stage I approval	Copy of the Government order for the Project	Working permission order issued for the proposal, if so, details thereof;	Whether any non forestry work has been started in the diverted area without obtaining working permission / Stage II approval, if yes, details thereof;	Status of the submission of compliance report.
1	Diversion of forest land to an extent of 4.660 ha (4.41 Ha in Khammam & 0.246 Ha in Paloncha) Division for laying of Pipeline and Construction of structures in Segment-25/14 (Balarajugutta) for providing safe drinking water under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Khammam FP/TG/WATER/18949/2016	4.660 ha.	21.07 .2017	4- TSC083/2 017- CHN/113 4, dt:21- 07-2017	No	Yes. The User Agency has started the work. The date of commencement and completion of work is 20.09.2017 and 14.11.2018 respectively Hence, the Forest Divisional Officer, Paloncha vide Rc.No.1485/2016/ P5, dated 02.08.2021 (copy enclosed) has issued Show Cause Notice to the User Agency. The explanation of User Agency is still awaited.	Yes, submitted to the PCCF, TS, Hyd, Ref.No.6494/2016/ FCA-1 Dt.31.12.2021

Sd/- R.Sobha

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

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Annexure - II

The gist of the information on Segment 25/14 received from the Conservator of Forests, Kothagudem Rc.No.68/2016/M3 dated 23.09.2021 is reproduced below:

1,	Whether the user Agency started and / or completed the work before issue of Stage - II or without obtaining working permission after stage - I approval if yes, date of commencement and completion of work.	Yes. The User Agency has started the work. The date of commencement and completion of work is 20.09.2017 and 14.11.2018 respectively
2.	Whether any show cause notice is issued to the user agency for taking up works before obtaining any working permission	No. The Forest Divisional Officer, Paloncha vide Rc.No.1485/2016/P5 dated 02.08.2021 (copy enclosed) has issued Show Cause Notice to the User Agency
3.	Whether there is any deviation noticed in the alignment and construction of pipelines and structures respectively as against the KML files submitted based on which stage I had been approved	There is no deviation noticed in the alignment and constructions of pipelines and structures
4.	Whether there is any extra area / length diverted than the area / length for which stage - I is issued.	No

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