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TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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Government,
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C. No. TS3/18050/2022 Dated: 07.12.2022.

Madam,

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 0.6996 ha of forest land in Naduhatti Reserved Forests of Nilgiris Forest Division for formation of cement concrete road at Kallaty road at Naduhatty Village Panchayat road in The Nilgiris District – Stage-I approval accorded – Compliance report furnishing off – Regarding

Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the Block Development Officer (VP), Kothagiri Block, Kothagiri, The Nilgiris District – Proposal No. FP/TN/Road/156883/2022

2. Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Nilgiris Forest Division

3. Part-III of Form-A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, Udagamandalam

4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests C. No. TS3/18050/2022, dated 01.08.2022.

5. Government letter No. 13735/FR.10/2022-1, dated 05.09.2022

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I wish to furnish herewith the Compliance report on Stage I in-Principle approval for diversion of 0.6996 ha of forest land in Naduhatti Reserved Forests of Nilgiris Forest Division for formation of cement concrete road at Kallaty road at Naduhatty Village Panchayat in The Nilgiris District in favour of Block Development Officer (VP), Kothagiri Block, Kothagiri, The Nilgiris District as follows.

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| i | The legal status of the diverted forest land remains unchanged. | The legal status of the diverted forest land remains unchanged. |

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| ii | The demarcation of the proposed forest land shall be carried out by the User Agency by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at their cost. | The District Forest Officer Nilgiris Forest Division has reported that the demarcation of boundary has been done by the user agency. |
| iii | The user agency has to pay the cost towards compensatory afforestation scheme over an extent of 1.00 ha of degraded forest area as per the Compensatory afforestation scheme including maintenance for a period of 10 years. | <p>The user agency has deposited the compensatory afforestation scheme cost of Rs. 4,51,132/- in State CAMPA fund by generating challan in the Ministry web portal on 07.11.2022. A copy of the combined chalan for Rs. 14,82,515/- furnished by the user agency is enclosed.</p> <p>Compensatory afforestation work will be carried out in the identified degraded forest area by the District Forest Officer, after obtaining approval from the Annual Plan of Operation of State CAMPA.</p> |
| iv | The User Agency has to pay the Net Present Value of proposed forest diversion area which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India /Government of India. | The user agency has deposited the Net Present Value of Rs. 7,81,383/- in State CAMPA fund by generating challan in the Ministry web portal on 07.11.2022. A copy of the combined chalan for Rs. 14,82,515/- furnished by the user agency is enclosed. |
| v | The User Agency has to bear the additional amount of Net Present Value which will be fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme | The User Agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect. The same is enclosed. |

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| | Court of India as fixed by Forest Department in future. The user agency has to furnish undertaking to this effect. | |
| vi | The user agency has to bear the cost towards human wildlife conflict mitigation plan approved by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden. | The user agency has deposited the cost towards Human Wildlife conflict mitigation plan of Rs. 2,50,000/- in State CAMPA fund by generating challan in the Ministry web portal on 07.11.2022. A copy of the combined chalan for Rs. 14,82,515/- furnished by the user agency is enclosed. |
| vii | Amount of Compensatory afforestation scheme, Net Present Value of diverted forest area under the project, human wildlife conflict mitigation plan shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/) | The User Agency has transferred the CA scheme cost, Net Present Value of diverted forest area and human wildlife conflict mitigation plan amount in the State CAMPA account by generating challan in the MoEF&CC web portal on 07.11.2022 |
| viii | The user agency shall furnish the District Collector certificate on completion of process for settlement of rights under Forest Rights Act, 2006 on the forest area proposed for diversion in the format prescribed by the Government of India before Stage-II approval. | The User Agency has furnished the Certificate issued by the District Collector, The Nilgiris District in Rc. No. A3/836/2022, dated 27.06.2022 and enclosed herewith. |
| ix | The User Agency has to pay the cost towards annual lease rent for the forest area diversion period as fixed by the Forest Department at the time | The User Agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect. The same is enclosed. |

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| | of sanction along with any escalation for the forest land to be diverted of the above project in future for the entire project period. | |
| x | The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.6996 ha for with a length width of 2332 m and width of 3.00m in Naduhatty RF (from 0/00m to 1/530m & 1/718m to 2/520m). | The User Agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect. The same is enclosed. |
| xi | Existing ban orders issued by the appropriate authority from time to time will be applicable and the user agency shall follow. | It will be monitored by the concerned field staff of Nilgiris Forest Division. |
| xii | Movement of wildlife should not be disturbed and the user agency shall take adequate precaution to avoid any damage to the flora and fauna, monthly report of compliance of conditions stipulated should be furnished to the District Forest Officer. | The user agency has reported that the condition will be followed. The field staff of Nilgiris Forest Division will be strictly monitored the conditions to ensure that the precautions measures are adopted. |
| xiii | No breaking of fresh forest land should be carried out other than the permission sought for. No chemical explosive should be used. Unwanted material should not been dumped inside the forest area. The user agency shall abide the condition. | The user agency has reported that the condition will be followed. |
| xiv | The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under any circumstances be transferred to any | The user agency has reported that the condition will be followed. |

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| | other agencies/department or person without prior approval. | |
| xv | If any maintenance work is under taken, the user agency shall seek written permission for the District Forest Officer. | The user agency has reported that the condition will be followed. |
| xvi | The user agency shall furnish compliance report in the MoEF&CC web portal. | Complied by the user agency. |
| xvii | Period of lease can be thirty (30) years. The User Agency has to apply renewal proposal before one year of expiry of lease with the State Forest Department. | The user agency has reported that the condition will be followed. |

Compliance report furnished by the User agency along with connected undertakings/ documents and report of District Forest Officer, Nilgiris Forest Division are enclosed herewith.

I request that, Stage - II final approval of Government may be issued for diversion of 0.6996 ha of forest land in Naduhatti Reserved Forests of Nilgiris Forest Division for formation of cement concrete road at Kallaty road at Naduhatty Village Panchayat in The Nilgiris District in favour of Block Development Officer (VP), Kothagiri Block, Kothagiri, The Nilgiris District for a period of 30 years

Encl.: As stated above.

Yours faithfully

 08/4/2022

For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

