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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)  
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To

The Principal Secretary (Forests)  
Government of Madhya Pradesh  
Bhopal.

**Sub: Proposal for diversion of 16.268 ha. of forest land in favour of Industrial Center Development of Corporation, Bhopal for regularization of already existing Mandideep Industrial Area under Forest Division Obedullaganj District Raisen, Madhya Pradesh (Online Proposal No. FP/MP/IND/29027/2017) : Change in CA land- regarding.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Madhya Pradesh's letter dated 11.09.2025 regarding the above mentioned subject. In this regard after examination of the letter dated 11.09.2025 of Government of Madhya Pradesh the State Government is requested to furnish the information on the following points:

- i. It has been reported that 16.50 hectares of land, initially proposed for Compensatory Afforestation (CA), has now been found unsuitable for such purposes. The State Government is requested to clarify why a unsuitable land was proposed for the CA earlier, and to provide reasons for the non-suitability of the site along with the details of the efforts done for raising the plantation on the site (if any).
- ii. As per the order of the Chief Conservator of Forests (CCF) dated 24.01.2024, due to the unsuitability of the originally proposed 16.5 ha CA land in Village Kharkhari, the District Collector, Sagar, has identified an alternative CA site of 16.5 ha at Khasra No. 27/1/1 in Village Nayagaon. However, the originally proposed site in Kharkhari had already been notified as a Protected Forest vide notification dated 16.07.2021. The State Government is required to clarify this inconsistency and the plan for the proposed use of land identified earlier.

- iii. The State Government has not submitted a site suitability certificate for the newly proposed CA land. This needs to be submitted by State Government. Further the state shall also get the site suitability of the newly proposed land ascertained by the Regional Office.
- iv. In the year 2020–21, the State Government submitted a financial outlay of ₹1,75,46,622/- for the CA scheme. Now, nearly four years later, it is expected that costs related to plantation and other associated activities may have increased. However, the State Government has re-submitted the CA proposal with the same financial outlay. This discrepancy requires clarification.
- v. The State Government needs to provide the details on how plantation activities will now be carried out in the proposed forest area, taking into account the current wage rates and applicable schedule of rates, which are expected to be significantly higher than those in effect when the proposal was initially approved.
- vi. The Survey of India (Sol) toposheet map and geo-referenced map for the newly identified CA land needs to be submitted by the State Government.
- vii. The Decision Support System (DSS) analysis and satellite imagery dated 21.03.2024 indicates that plantation or pre-plantation work has already been initiated at the newly proposed CA site. The State Government is required to provide clarification on this matter.

Accordingly, the State Government is requested to submit the information/documents as indicated above, for further consideration of the proposal in the Ministry.

**Encl: as above**

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

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1. PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
2. DDGF (Central), MoEF&CC's Regional Office, at Bhopal for necessary action.
3. APCCF–cum-Nodal Officer, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
4. User Agency.

5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi for uploading.