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

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Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi - 110003. Dated 16th November, 2020

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),

Department of Forest and Environment, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 968.24 hectares of forest land in favour of National Water Development Agency, Ashoknagar and Shivpuri District for construction of Lower Orr Major Irrigation Project, Madhya Pradesh -reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the letters no.F-3/50/2014/10-11/15/3284 Bhopal dated 30thSeptember, 2020 and dt. 07th November, 2020 from Addl. PCCF (Land Management) and the Nodal Officer, FCA, Department of Forest, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh on the above subject matter related with issuance of 'Final'/Stage II approval under the FCA-1980 on the basis of compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval dated 12.02.2019. After careful examination of the submitted compliance following shortcomings are observed:

- i. The User Agency has not submitted the undertakings regarding conditions stipulated at Sr no. (i), (v) and (xxviii) of the 'in principle'/Stage –I approval letter dated 12.02.2019.
- ii. The details of wildlife cross over points in consultation with the State Forest Department as per condition no. (vi) of the 'In principle'/Stage –I approval letter dated 12.02.2019 has not been submitted.
- iii. Details of estimate regarding inclusion of 25% of SMC charges in the CA scheme shall also be submitted.
- iv.The copy of approval of CAT plan by the competent authority also need submission.
- v. The transfer and mutation documents regarding the land earmarked for Compensatory Afforestation has not been submitted with the compliance report.
- vi.The details about R&R Plan to be implemented along with the documentary evidences has not been submitted.
- vii. The detail plan of Action to utilize the water potential available nearby for the benefit of forest crop and also to the Wild animals at the cost of user agency has not been submitted by the Department of Forest, Govt. of Madhya

Pradesh.

- viii.The State Govt. has not submitted a copy of the approved wildlife conservation plan along with the cost estimates.
- ix.The complete Compliance of Scheduled Tribe and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 in accordance with the MoEF&CC's advisory dated 3.08.2009 has not been submitted.

In view of the above, the State Govt. of Madhya Pradesh is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for grant of 'Final'/Stage-II approval.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(Brijendra Swaroop) Deputy Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservation of Forests & HoFF, Department of Forest, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
- 2. The Deputy Director General of Forests(Central), Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal
- 3. **The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF,** Department of Forest, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

4. User Agency.

5. Monitoring Cell, Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.