



भारत सरकार
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय
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To
The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Revenue and Forest Department,
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
Madam Cama Marg, Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400032.

Subject: Diversion of 6.0760 ha of forest land in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra. – request to initiate action under 3A/3B of VSSA, 1980 – regarding

Ref: 1. The FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi letter No FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP dated 20.03.2025

2. The State Government Maharashtra letter No FLD-2022/C.R.309/F.10 dated 06.10.2025

Sir,

Your kind attention is invited to the MoEF&CC letter under reference No 01, wherein the Central Government conveyed in principle approval for the subject project under VSSA, 1980 wherein, one of the condition is to this effect that, *The Regional Office, Nagpur shall initiate action under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Evm Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable).*

2 In compliance to the above mentioned condition stipulated by the MoEF&CC New Delhi and as per Sub-rules 15(1) and 15(2) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evm Samvardhan) Rules, 2023 and subsequently amended vide notification No G.S.R. 593(E) dated 31st August, 2025, I am directed to request the State Government to instruct the jurisdictional Divisional Forest Officer or Deputy Conservator of Forests or above in the State Government to initiate action under Sections 3A or 3B of the VSSA, 1980, against violators by filing the complaint against the offenders before the court having jurisdiction as per the Notification No S.O.4494(E) dated 01st October, 2025 issued by the MoEF&CC, New Delhi

3 It is further requested that the State Government shall ensure for filing the complaint against the offenders before the court having jurisdiction within a period of forty five days from the receipt of this communication and shall submit a periodic report to Regional Office regarding the details of complaints filed.

4 Upon initiating action under Sections 3A or 3B of the VSSA, 1980, the State Government may submit compliance report to the MoEF&CC, New Delhi to seek final approval for the subject project under VSSA, 1980

This issues with the approval of competent authority, Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,


(Dayananda.N)
Technical Officer (Forestry) 03/11/25

Copy to:

- i. The IGF, FC Division, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003 for information please
- ii. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- iii. User agency.
- iv. Guard file.


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