

File No.8-53/2009-FC

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

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Dated: 21 January, 2021

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forest and Environment,
Government of Madhya Pradesh,
Bhopal.

Sub: Proposal for de-notification of 197.93 hectares of forestland for Mandi Deep Industrial area in Raisen district, Madhya Pradesh - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Land Management) and Nodal Officer, the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Government of Madhya Pradesh letter No. 5/617/2009/10-11/4271 dated 14.12.2020 on the above-mentioned subject, forwarding information on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval dated 20.12.2017 and to say that examination of the said compliance in the Ministry revealed that regarding revised CA area it has observed by the DSS Cell of Ministry that:

- i. It is learnt that the State Govt. of Madhya Pradesh did not revised the CA site namely 'Bhardi' nor furnished their reply for this CA site in response to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 29.09.2020. The CA site 'Bhardi' is having Pre-planting operations such as pits & trenches and the same is visible through Google earth imagery.
- ii. It is found that, a transmission line is passing through the middle of newly identified CA site namely 'Madkhera jagir'. Moreover, the site suitability certificate pertains to this CA patch is not furnished by the State Govt. of Madhya Pradesh. In addition to this, the State Govt. of Madhya Pradesh did not mention whether the dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) shall be planted within the RoW under transmission line or at least 1600 tall plants shall be planted per hectare as per the FAC recommendation dated 21.09.2017.

Therefore, the State Government of Madhya Pradesh is requested to submit the following information/documents in the Ministry:

- I. The State Government/User Agency has not submitted the details of revised Compensatory Afforestation (CA) area along with revised CA scheme and KML/shape file as per the decision of Forest Advisory Committee.
- II. Site suitability certificate of CA site 'Madkhera Jagir' needs submission from the State Government. A transmission line crosses the proposed CA site and the issue of suitability of CA site may also be looked into.
- III. In addition to this, the State Govt. of Madhya Pradesh did not mention whether the dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) shall be planted within the RoW under

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transmission line or at least 1600 tall plants shall be planted per hectare as per the FAC recommendation dated 21.09.2017.

Accordingly, I am directed to request the State Government to submit the information/clarification on shortcomings, as indicated above, to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for grant of Stage-II approval.

Yours faithfully,

(Shrawan Kumar Verma)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests

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1. The Principal Chief Conservation of Forests & (HoFF) Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
2. The DDG (Central), Regional Office (Western Zone), Bhopal.
3. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF& CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.