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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi – 110003, Dated: 17th December, 2021

To,

The Special Chief Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forest and Environment,
Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Sub: Diversion of 365.66 Ha (i.e.319.02 Ha for Lower Reservoir + 22.50 Ha for Power House & TRC Outlet + 6.96 Ha for Penstock + 8.02 Ha for Intake Structure + 2.43 Ha for Tail Race Channel and 6.73 Ha for Internal Roads) of forest land in Compt. Nos. 113, 114, 115, 116 & 117 of Gani RF, Kurnool Range, Kurnool Division for establishment of Integrated Renewable Energy Project, Pinnapuram in favour of M/s.Greenko Energies Private Limited., 9 Hyderabad In-principle (Stage-]) approval accorded — Alternative non-forest non-forest lands proposed for CA - Reg. (Online Proposal No. FP/AP/HYD/35371/2018)

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Andhra Pradesh letter no. 192/Section.II/2019 (906617) dt 13.12.2021 requestoing the change in CA land. In this regard it is informed that after the examination of the information the following shortcomings were observed:-

- The State Government has not submitted the justification for the change of CA land. The same may be forwarded to the Ministry.
- ii. The State government has not submitted the approved CA Scheme with fund details. The same may be forwarded to the Ministry.
- iii. The State government may clarify whether the CA is possible with the CA amount deposited by the user agency previously wrt 400.53 ha. Further it may also be clarified whether there is any difference in the amount.
- iv. As per DSS report the Dense Plantation is visible in the CA sites proposed in Dubagunta and Kothapeta village. In this regard the State Government shall identify the Degraded forest land for planting the balance number of plants.
- v. As per DSS report of the CA site, an area of 8.45 ha is covered by Nalla/Vagu, guest house, labour shed, bore well and cart tracks etc. The area shall be inspected by IRO and ascertained if the available infrastructure with in the proposed CA area can be used by the forest department for management and protection of the CA area in future or the same is required to be removed.

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In view of the above, the Government of Andhra Pradesh is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

> Yours faithfully, Sd/-(Sandeep Sharma) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservation of Forests (HoFF), Government of Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.
- 2. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Dept., Government of Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.
- 3. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Vijaywada shall inspect the CA area and give specific comments on the observation number v of the letter.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.