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

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Dated: 31-12-2024

To

The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests), Department of Forest, Ecology and Environment, Government of Karnataka. Bangalore.

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s. Zeenath Transport Company, Ballari, for non-forestry use of 9.12 ha. (9.40 ha.) of forest land for approach road in ML No.2547 in RM Block, Sandur Range, Ballari District, Karnataka (Online Proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/7440/2014) regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Karnataka's letter No. FEE 35 FFM 20217 dated 02.12.2024 on the above mentioned subject forwarding a report on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the '*In-Principle*' approval dated 19.12.2017 and to say that after examination of the said compliance report, the state government is requested to submit the following documents/information:

- i. The 'in-principle' approval was granted by the Ministry on 19.12.2017. The validity period of 'five years' time has been expired already. Therefore, valid and cogent reasons for extraordinary delaying for submission of the compliance report shall be submitted by the State Government. The State Govt. shall also submit a report on violation (if any).
- ii. Whether any working permission has been granted by the State Govt. if yes, the details shall be provided.
- iii. The CA scheme prepared for newly identified CA land is found incomplete. In this regard the State Government is requested to submit the complete CA scheme along with the cost structure, DGPS maps, SoI maps etc.
- iv. The user agency has deposited compensatory levies into the National Authority, CAMPA through offline mode. In this regard the details of the compensatory levies which has been deposited by the RTGS (offline mode) shall be provided in the prescribed format of CAMPA, signed by the Nodal Officer.
- v. The copy of the true translated copy of Transfer and Mutation of newly identified CA land shall be submitted.
- vi. With regards to the Patch no. 6 of the proposed CA site following have been observed in DSS analysis:
  - a. The exact area of 2.225 ha out of 6.268 ha proposed for plantation in CA patch-6 is not known.

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b. Observation based on Google Earth: The patch no. 6 is the area which remains filled with water in some seasons and dry in some season. In this regard the suitability of the said land shall be confirmed by the State Govt.

In view of the above, the Government of Karnataka is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for grant of Stage-II approval.

Yours Sincerely,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

## Copy to:-

- 1. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.
- 2. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer, Forest Department, Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru- with a request to provide the SIR in respect of the change in the CA land with clear recommendations.
- 3. The DDGF (Central) Regional Office, Bangalore of MoEF&CC.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC division of MoEF& CC, New Delhi.