

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

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**Dated: February, 2024**

To,

**The Principal Secretary (Forests),**  
Government of Madhya Pradesh,  
Bhopal.

**Subject: Diversion of 2250.05 ha (instead of 2272.05 ha) forest land for construction of Morand - Ganjal Irrigation Project located in Hoshangabad, Betul, Harda and Khandwa Districts of Madhya Pradesh State in favour of M/s Narmada Valley Development Authority (Online No. FP/MP/IRRIG/36231/2018) – regarding.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the APCCF (LM)-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Madhya Pradesh's letter no. F-3/16/2013/10-11/830 dated 06.02.2024 on the above cited subject forwarding the information in reference to the decision of the Advisory Committee (AC) which was communicated vide Ministry letter of even no. dated 27.11.2023. The examination of the said information has revealed that:

- i. In order to have actual assessment of the no. of trees involved in the project, the species wise and girth class wise complete enumeration of the trees falling in proposed diversion area as requested has not been submitted by the State Govt. which needs submission.
- ii. The study of the possible impacts of the project on the Biodiversity and Wildlife by Wildlife Institute of India along with the specific recommendation from the CWLW and State Govt. as requested has not been submitted by the State Govt. which needs submission.
- iii. The recommendations/comments of National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) on the instant proposal as requested has not been submitted by the State Govt. which needs submission.
- iv. Necessary action as per rules to seek the requisite recommendations of NBWL/ SBWL as requested has not been taken by the State Govt. which needs submission.
- v. The complete CA scheme, along with relevant documents, revenue record, maps and KML files for the total non-forest land proposal for Compensatory Afforestation and to ensure that the proposed area is free from all encumbrances as requested has not been submitted by the State Govt. which needs submission.

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

Yours sincerely,

Signed by

Suneet Bhardwaj

Date: 16-02-2024 16:14:07

Sd/-

(Suneet Bhardwaj)

**Assistant Inspector General of Forests**

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1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal;
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
4. User Agency;
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.