

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

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Dated: As per E-Sign

To,

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

Subject: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 272.00 ha forest land for the construction of Kopra Medium Irrigation Project in favour of Water Resource Department under Sagar District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/IRRIG/143864/2021) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer the APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh letter No. F-3/100/404710/0005/12 dated 15.01.2025 on the above cited subject forwarding the required information. The examination of the said information has revealed that:

- i. The State Govt. has not submitted the technical approval along with hydrological assessment report with the proposal.
- ii. The CWLW, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh vide letter dated 13.03.2024 has informed that वर्तमान में नौरादेही वन्यप्राणी अभयारण्य एवं दुर्गावती अभयारण्य को शामिल करते हुये रानी दुर्गावती टाईगर रिजर्व के गठन की अधिसूचना जारी हुई है। However, perusal of the said letter does not reveal whether the project is also falling in the newly proposed Durgawati Tiger Reserve or otherwise.
- iii. Further, the State Govt. has not clarified as to how much area of instant project is located within and outside the Protected area/ Tiger Reserve. The necessary action for the approval/Wildlife clearance is accordingly required to be taken by the State keeping in view the guideline dated 08.07.2024 issued by the Ministry in this regard.
- iv. The DGPS map indicating the purpose wise breakup of the forest land proposed for diversion has not been submitted/uploaded on PARIVESH.
- v. As per DSS analysis it has been reported that the KML file of submergence area has been found uploaded on the PARIVESH and examination of the same through DSS revealed that the user agency has not included an area of 23.386 ha forest land in the proposal which is located under Compartment No. 184, Singpur Range, Hinoti, Noradehi and the same has been marked and included as Non-forest land under submergence by the user agency in the proposal. The State Govt. shall submit a revised forest diversion proposal

by including the 23.386 ha forest area including all updated information/documents.

- vi. As per DSS analysis report it has been reported that as depicted through satellite imagery, a river is passing through the KML file of CA proposed at Village Noradehi (70.695 ha) and Village Kushyari (56.365 ha). This needs clarification.
- vii. Copy of Notification क्रं.700-624-दस-2-75 दिनांक 17.02.1975 has not been submitted with the proposal.

Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Digitally signed by
SUNEET BHARDWAJ
Date: 10-03-2025
18:08:37

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, 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.