8-12/2022-FC I/102424/2025

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bag Road, Aligani,

New Delhi – 110003

Dated: As per E-sign

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai.

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 76.17 ha Forest Land of Village Malharpeth, Sonaichiwadi, Marulhaveli & Girewadi, Tal. Patan, Dist. Satara for rehabilitation of Village Kolane, Tal. Patan, Dist. Satara from Chandoli National Park of Sahyadri Tiger Reserve in the Maharashtra State (Online No. FP/MH/REHAB/149807/2021) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the APCCF & Nodal Officer, Government of Maharashtra's letter no. 17/FCA-S1/PLD-149807/Kolhapur/24-25/2456 dated 31.01.2025 (uploaded online on 06.02.2025) on the above-cited subject forwarding the required information. The examination of the said information has revealed that:

- i. As per DSS analysis, the correct KML file of village 'Kolane' which is proposed to be re-located from Chandoli National Park has not been submitted/ uploaded and same needs submission.
- ii. Instead of submitting a consolidated proposal for the entire relocation of village Kolane the State Govt. is processing the forest diversion proposal and submitting it in a piecemeal manner. The State Government has not submitted the clarification on the rationale behind submitting separate proposals instead of a unified one.

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

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

Digitally signed by SUNEET BHARDWAJ Date: 19-03-2025 12:49:15

(Suneet Bhardwaj)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

8-12/2022-FC 1/102424/2025

1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;

- 2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur;
- 3. The Nodal Officer, Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.