

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

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Dated: 05th March, 2021

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forest and Environment,
Government of Madhya Pradesh,
Bhopal.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 69.555 ha. of forest land for construction of Chhitakhudri Medium Irrigation Project, in favour of Water Resources Department, Jabalpur District Madhya Pradesh State. (Online proposal No. FP/MP/IRRIG/29684/2017) - regarding.

Sir,

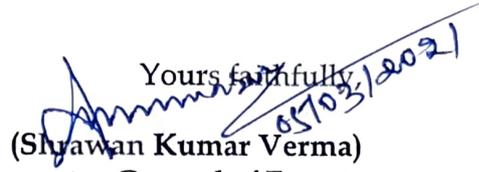
I am directed to refer letter No. F-3/83/2017/10-11/9/592 dated 08.02.2021 of APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh on the above subject forwarding a report on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval dated 23.05.2019 and to say that on examination of the said report following shortcoming observed: -

- i. The User Agency has not submitted the undertaking of the condition No. (v), [(vi) a] and (xiv) of the Stage -I approval letter dated 23.05.2019.
- ii. The State Govt. has not furnished any clarification in view of condition No. (ii) of the Stage -I approval letter dated 23.05.2019 i.e. "Calculated area of Compensatory Afforestation on Non-Forest Land is found as 66.18 ha instead of 69.555 ha. The clarification is needed for the same."
- iii. The State Government has not submitted the copy of original notification declaring the non-forest land proposed for CA under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the State Forest Act.
- iv. The total financial outlay towards the CA as per the detail CA Scheme is mentioned as Rs. 2,66,60,700/-. However, the fund deposited towards the CA by the User Agency is Rs. 2,25,73,200/-. This difference in CA amount shall be clarified.
- v. The demand Note of DFO, Mandla vide letter dated 31.05.2019 shows the Eco-class as 4 and Density as 0.4 (i.e. Dense Forest) for 64.135 ha forest land. However, rate of NPV is calculated for Open Forest (Rs. 4.38 Lakh per ha.) instead of Dense Forest (Rs. 5.63 Lakh per ha.). This variation in rate of NPV calculation shall be clarified.
- vi. The Copy of approved Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) Plan has not been submitted.


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vii. As per the DSS Analysis Report it has been reported that the user agency has made significant changes in the shape/ drawing of the identified CA under village Kevlari, Khasra No. 175 and due to this some portion of this CA site looks unrealistic to carry out plantation work. This shall be clarified.

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

Yours faithfully,

(Shyawan Kumar Verma)
Dy. Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The P.C.C.F & HoFF, Department of Environment & Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
2. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal.
3. The Nodal Officer, FCA, Department of Environment & Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi, for uploading on PARIVESH portal.