

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

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Jor Bag Road, Aliganj,
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 315.74 ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Renovation of Asolamendha Irrigation project in Division Bramhapuri, Central Chanda and Chandanpur Forest Division, Sault, Mul and Pombhuma talukas of Chandrapur District in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH-IRRIG/39591/2019) – regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra vide their letter No. FLD-2022/CR-291/F-10 dated 20.02.2025 on the above mentioned subject, forwarding the information on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the *in-principle approval* dated 09.08.2024 and to say that examination of same revealed following shortcomings:

- i. In compliance of condition no. (ii), the user agency has not submitted an undertaking to implement the recommendations of State Dam Safety Organization (SDSO).
- ii. In compliance of condition no. (iii), the State Government has not submitted the approval of the National Dam Safety Authority (NDSA) on the recommendations made by the State Dam Safety Organisation (SDSO).
- iii. In compliance of condition no. (v), as per the details mention in online Part-II density and Eco-class of the forest patches involved in the proposal has been reported as under:

168.86 ha is having 0.5 density and Eco class - 3. In this case Rate of NPV per ha. is Rs. 12,28,590. Therefore NPV amount to be paid = Rs. 207,459,707.

20.54 ha is having 0.4 density and Eco class - 3. In this case Rate of NPV per ha. is Rs. 12,28,590. Therefore NPV amount to be paid = Rs. 25,235,238.

107.902 ha is having 0.5 density and Eco class - 3. In this case Rate of NPV per ha. is Rs. 12,28,590. Therefore NPV amount to be paid = Rs. 132,567,318.

18.438 ha is having 0.3 density and Eco class - 3. In this case Rate of NPV per ha. is Rs. 9,57,780. Therefore NPV amount to be paid =

Rs. 17,659,547.

Total NPV amount to be paid = Rs. 382,921,810. However the user agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 36,39,05,930/-. Therefore, differential amount of Rs. 19,015,880 towards NPV shall be deposited in account of NA, CAMPA.

- iv. In compliance of condition no. (vi), (ix), (x), (xi), (xii), (xvi) and (xxix), the signed copy of undertaking from the user agency has not been submitted.
- v. In compliance of condition no. (vii), the State Government has not submitted documentary evidence with regard to transfer and mutation of Non Forest Land in favour of State Forest Department.
- vi. In compliance of condition no. (viii), the State Government has not submitted copy of approved Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) Plan.
- vii. In compliance of condition no. (xiv), the State Government has not uploaded the KML files of the area under diversion and the accepted area for raising compensatory afforestation in the E-green watch portal of FSI.

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: 01-04-2025
13:34:35

Sd/-
(Suneet Bhardwaj)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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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.