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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,
New Delhi 1100 03
Dated: 12th April, 2021

To,

The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 100.00 ha. of forest land for Establishment Sagar Zoo and Rescue Centre in favour of Regional Manager Madhya Pradesh Eco Tourism Development Board in Sagar District, Madhya Pradesh State - reg. Sir,

With reference to above mentioned subject I am directed to refer Ministry letter of dated 22.02.2020 wherein a request was made to number information regarding violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the forest area proposed for diversion (copy enclosed). It has been observed that despite repeated above information has not been received. In view of above the IRO Bhopal is directed to conduct a site inspection of the area. The site inspection report along with the details of violation if any be submitted to the Ministry immediately.

(Shrawan Kumar Verma)
Dy. Inspector General of Forests

Encl: As above Copy to: -

- 1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.
- 2. The PCCF & HoFF, Department of Environment and Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 3. The Nodal Officer, FCA, Department of Environment and Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi, for uploading on PARIVESH portal.

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Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj New Delhi: 1100 03 Dated: 22nd February, 2021

To,

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2. The Regional Officer,
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MoEF&CC,
Bhopal.

Subject: Proposal for diversion of 100.00 ha. of forest land for Establishment Sagar Zoo and Rescue Centre in favour of Regional Manager Madhya Pradesh Eco Tourism Development Board in Sagar District, Madhya Pradesh State - reg.

Ref.: 1. MoEF&CC letter No. 8-77/2018-FC dated 30.08.2019;

- 2. MoEF&CC letter No. 8-77/2018-FC dated 08.07.2020;
- 3. D.O Letter of Secretary, MoEF&CC letter No. 8-77/2018-FC dated 17.08.2020;
- 4. MoEF&CC letter No. 8-77/2018-FC dated 07.09.2020;
- 5. MoEF&CC letter No. 8-77/2018-FC dated 28.09.2020;
- 6. MoEF&CC letter No. 8-77/2018-FC dated 04.11.2020.

Madam/Sir,

With reference to above mentioned subject matter; I am directed to refer Ministry's letter cited under reference wherein a request was made to the State Government for submission of information/documents as per the decision of Forest Advisory Committee meeting held on 31.07.2019 (copy of the minutes enclosed.

Moreover, the Implementation Report (IR) on a Parliamentary Assurance connected to this matter is also pending for want of the above information. The reply from the State Government, in the referred, matter is still awaited.

Furthermore, as per the DSS analysis it has been ascertained that a man-made pond is visible on the north-western boundary of the proposed forest land and the same can be verified through overlaying .kml files on Google Earth imageries. Ministry vide letter of even no. dated 28.09.2020 and 04.11.2020 requested to submit information regarding violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Reply is still awaited from the State Forest Department as well as from the concerned Integrated Regional Office of the Ministry.

In view of the above, it is once again requested to submit information regarding violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the forest area proposed for diversion at the earliest.

(Shrawan Kumar Verma) Dy. Inspector General of Forests

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