REMINDER-I

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: 11th May, 2021

To,

The Principal Secretary(Forests)

Government of Madhya Pradesh

Bhopal.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 530.85 ha. (instead of 505.5 ha.) of forest land for Construction of Banda Irrigation project in favour of M/s Water Resources Department, Sagar, in Sagar District, Madhya Pradesh State-regarding -reg. Sir,

I am directed to refer the letter of even no. dated 05.03.2021 on the above mentioned subject, vide which the State Govt. was requested to submit details/comments/clarifications on various points, and the Integrated Regional Office Bhopal of this Ministry was requested to submit a report on the revised CA and additional forest area proposed for diversion. In this regard, the reply submitted by the State Govt. vide letter dated 08.04.2021 and the information submitted by IRO Bhopal through E-File No. 6-MPA010/2020-BHO have shortcomings which are as under:

- 1. The 22.34 ha area of the CA site namely Munderi (Khasra no. 54) is overlapping with the CA site of another project having file no 8-11/2018-FC namely Kadan medium project, in which the In-principle approval has already been accorded by this Ministry. The justification/clarification regarding this overlap is required in this regard.
- 2. It has been intimated that 0.675ha of proposed forest land is granted/allotted under the FRA, 2006. However, it has not been justified/clarified whether this 0.675 ha area is being excluded from diversion or the forest dwellers would be rehabilitated. Accordingly justification/clarification is required in this matter.

2. In view of above observations the State Government again requested to submit justification/clarification in the issues listed above at the earliest.

(Shrawan Kumar Verma) Dy. Inspector General of Forests

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