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

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To,

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

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 426.763 ha. of forest land in favour of Water Resources Department, Panna District for construction of Majhagaon Medium Irrigation Project Panna district in the State of Madhya Pradesh (Online proposal no. FP/MP/IRRI/7121/2014) -regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer letter No. F-3/45/2014/10-11/5/1375 dated 15.04.2021 of APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, FCA, 1980, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh on the above subject forwarding required information on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval dated 03.05.2018 and to say that on examination of the said information following shortcoming have been observed: -

- i. The Forest Advisory Committee while examining the proposal had imposed a specific condition that the proposed area of diversion would be measured using total station survey as there was significant variation in the area as per DSS analysis. This condition is at Sr no. (xi) in the Stage -I approval. In this regard the state govt. had earlier submitted that the total Forest area involved is found to be 426.763 ha. which was reported by the User Agency as well as the Forest department. However the correct KML file of the proposed area was neither provided to the ministry nor it has been uploaded in the Part-I of the application.
- The State govt. was requested to submit a copy of the Wildlife clearance, however the state has again submitted a copy of the minutes of the meeting of

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the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife. A copy of the formal approval issued by the Chief Wildlife Warden/State Govt. is required to be submitted.

- iii. The condition nos (ix), (x), (xiv) and (xvi) of the Stage-I approval letter dated 03.05.2018 are the specific conditions imposed by the Forest Advisory Committee after considering all the aspects and the details submitted by the User agency as well as the State govt. and compliance of the same is to be submitted.
- Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for grant of Stage-II approval.

Yours and Jan 2021 wan Kumar Verma) Dy. Inspector General of Forests

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