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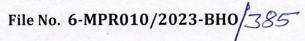
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Dated: 28/05/2025.

To,

The Additional Director General of Forests (FC)
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan
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New Delhi - 110 003.

Sub: Site Inspection for diversion of 2.2236 ha (online-2.28 ha) Protected Forest land in compartment number PF-399 of Hanumana Forest Range, Rewa Forest Division in favour of M/s Swami Nityanand Ji Maharaj Stones for Sardaman Stone Quarry lease under Rewa District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online Proposal No FP/MP/MIN/152429/2022)

Ref.: MoEF&CC (FC Division) letter no. 6-MPR010/2023-BHO dated 02.04.2025. Sir,

With respect to the subject and reference cited above, the Site Inspection Report of Regional Office, Bhopal in respect of 2.2236 ha (online-2.28 ha) Protected Forest land in compartment number PF-399 of Hanumana Forest Range, Rewa Forest Division in favour of M/s Swami Nityanand Ji Maharaj Stones for Sardaman Stone Quarry lease under Rewa District of Madhya Pradesh State is submitted herewith for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Encl: As above.

Dy. Director General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

Shri Suneet Bhardwaj, AIGF, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (FC Division), Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi.

Field Inspection Report of A.K. Sinha, IFS, DDGF (C), RO Bhopal

Ref: GoI, MoEF&CC (FC Division), letter No. 6-MPR010/2023-BHO, Dated-02 April, 2025.

Date of Inspection: 07.04.2025

Officers present at the time of inspection: -

- 1. A. K. Sinha, Dy. Director General of Forests (C), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal.
- 2. Shri Nayan Tiwari, FRO, Mauganj and in-charge Hanumana Range
- 3. Shri Ravindra Mishra, Dy. RO, Sitapur
- 4. Shri Gopal Kol, FBO Harrai Pratap Singh
- 5. Shri Jagbir Dahiya, M/s Swami Nityanand Ji Maharaj Stones

Title of the Project:		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 2.2236 ha (online-2.28 ha) Protected Forest land in compartment number PF-399 of Hanumana Forest Range, Rewa Forest Division in favour of M/s Swami Nityanand Ji Maharaj Stones for Sardaman Stone Quarry lease under Rewa District of Madhya Pradesh State. (Online Proposal No FP/MP/MIN/152429/2022)					
1.	Legal status of the forest land proposed for diversion:	Pro	Protected Forest: 2.2236 ha				
2.	Item-wise break-up details of the forest land proposed for diversion:	As per Parivesh Part-I					
		Sl.	Component wise break-up	Forest Division/ Forest Range	Forest comp.	Area (ha)	
		1	Mining			1.92	
		2	Safety Zone	Rewa/Hanumana	PF-399	0.29	
		3	Road			0.0136	
		total 2.22					
3.	Whether proposal involves any construction of buildings (including residential) or not. If yes, details thereof:	No					
4.	Total cost of the Project at present rates:	200 Lakhs as per Parivesh Portal Part-I					

5.	Wildlife:	Nilgai, Peacocks, Jackals, Wild pig, etc.						
6.	Vegetation:	Canor The ma	i. 1 ii. 2 iii. 1 iv. 1 v. 1 vi. 1	ound in the Lagerstroei Azadiracht Butea mone	osperma nelanoxylon indica			
7.	Background note on the proposal:	Stone is available in sufficient quantity which is used in road metals after crushing. After mining the stones, the same is proposed to be broken into road metals by crusher.						
8.	Compensatory Afforestation:	As per Sl.	Parivesh P	Tehsil	Village	Khasra	Area	
		No.	District			No. 261, 262,	(ha)	
		1	Sagar	Deori	Padraikala	263, 260	2.28	
			Total 2.28					
		Sl. No.	Division	Fore	st Range	Forest Comp.	Area (ha)	
		1	Singrauli	We Total	st Sarai	PF-603	3.00	
9.	Whether proposal involves violation of Forest (Conservation)Act, 1980 or not. If yes, a detailed report on violation including action Taken against the concerned officials:	No						
10.	Whether proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced persons. If yes, whether	No						

	rehabilitation plan has been prepared by the State Government or not:	
11.	Reclamation Plan: (If applicable, submit details and Financial allocation:	Reclamation plan is included in the approved mining plan.
12.	Details on catchment and command area under the project:	Not applicable.
13.	Cost benefit ratio:	
14.	Recommendations of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/State Government:	Recommended
15.	Utility of the Project:	The project is envisaged to produce road metal which would be useful in construction of infrastructures like road, bridges, buildings, etc. In addition, it would provide employment to the local people.
16.	Whether land being diverted has any socio cultural/religious value:	No.
17.	Situation w.r.t. Any P.A.	Proposed area is neither a part of any protected area nor it falls within 10 km of the nearest protected area. It also does not fall in any notified Wildlife corridor.
18.	Any other information relating to the Project:	-
19.	Specific comments/ o	bservation of inspecting officer

INSPECTION OF THE PROPOSED DIVERSION AREA

Forest Division-Rewa, Range-Hanumana; Forest Comp. No. PF-399, Area-2.2236 Ha

The area is generally plain with gentle sloping towards northerly direction. In the south there is a black top road. The black top road is proposed to be connected to the extent proposed diversion area by a road which is falling in the same PF. The road (0.0136 ha) is also a part of proposed diversion area. On the northern and western side, it is observed that there are existing Quarries which are just outside the forest area. The project proponent has also proposed 7.5 meter width all around the mining lease area as a safety zone area.

The area is having sparse vegetation with only 27 trees getting affected by the project. The vegetation and wild life found in the area are as shown in columns 06 & 05 respectively. Almost total area is having rocky outcrops. The area is not very important from wildlife point of view as it is at about 10 km from the nearest protected area i.e. Son Gharial WLS and it is also not a part of any notified wildlife corridor. There are no nala passing through the area, hence there is not much impact on the hydrology of the area. There is no encroachment found in the area.

The proposal is for mining of stones by open cast method of mining. The stones will be extracted by rock breaker and extractor combination without any blasting. The extracted material will be evacuated from the mine by trucks and will be taken to crusher situated in non-forest land. As discussed with the project proponent, the shelter for the workers and supervisors would be in a temporary shade. The water for drinking and dust suppression would be by purchased water in tankers. The reclamation of the mine would be as per the approved mining plan.

INSPECTION OF CA AREAS

Date of Inspection: 04.05.2025

Officers present at the time of inspection: -

- 1. A. K. Sinha, Dy. Director General of Forests (C), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal.
- 2. Mrs. Rekha Patel, Sub DFO, Deori
- 3. Shri Raghvendra Bhadoriya, Range Officer, Deori
- 4. Shri Jagbir Dahiya, M/s Swami Nityanand Ji Maharaj Stones
- 5. Shri Lalit Dahiya, M/s Swami Nityanand Ji Maharaj Stones

District- Sagar, Range- Deori; Tehsil- Deori, Village- Padraikala, Khasra no.- 261, 262, 263, 260, Area- 2.28 ha

The CA area is plain with red sandy loam soil having excellent depth. The vegetation in total area is found to be having MDF comprising of middle-aged canopy of *Tectona grandis, Diospyros melanoxylon, Lagerstroemia parviflora, Cassia fistula,* etc. The area is surrounded by protected forests on three sides. As the CA area is in continuity with the existing protected forest, the vegetation is comprising of the native forestry species as shown above and forming a medium density class (MDF) forest. Therefore, there is no scope of any plantation in the area and there is no need for any additional plantation to be taken up in any degraded forest land as per the guideline. But as per Parivesh 1.0 Part-II, the DFO has proposed an additional CA area of 3.00 ha in degraded forest land which is not required. The DFO needs to withdraw the same.

The DFO shall propose crop improvement plan in the total CA area of 2.28 ha MDF. The crop improvement plan may include Silvicultural operations such as removal of weeds, Cut back operation of high cuts, singling operations, Soil and moisture conservation works like staggered contour trenching, gap planting, seed dibbling, etc.

The area shall be fenced from all sides by chain link fence; a watcher's hut is suggested for providing shelter to the watcher engaged in protection of plantation.

Taking into consideration, all the facts mentioned above, the CA land (completely MDF) provided is an excellent one and there is no requirement of taking up any fresh additional plantation in the same or any degraded forest land as per the guideline.

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20	Recommendations Of Regional Deputy Director General of Forests (C) along with detailed reasons:	The project is recommended for approval subject to the observations as mentioned in the note above.
21.	Regional Head shall give detailed comments on whether there are any alternatives routes/alignments for locating the project on the non-forest land:	The project is concerning mining of Stone which are minor minerals and site specific in nature. Therefore, there is no alternative to the proposal.

(Ashok Kumar Sinha) Dy. Director General of Forests (C) Regional Office, Bhopal

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FIELD INSPECTION PHOTOGRAPHS

Inspection photographs of Diversion Area





Inspection photographs of CA Area







