

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

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**Dated: 29th May, 2023**

To,

**The Principal Secretary (Forests),**  
Government of Maharashtra,  
Mumbai.

**Subject: Diversion of 63.540 ha forest land for development of Green Filed Airport at village Vihirgaon and Murti, Taluka Rajura of District Chandrapur in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/Others/42471/2019) - regarding.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-2022/C.R.272/F-10 dated 16.05.2023 on the above cited subject. In this regard following shortcomings have been observed in the information submitted by the State Govt.:

- i. The State Govt. instead of examining the financial viability of the project and submission of detailed analysis/report has made the same submission as it was already placed before the FAC and also intimated to the Ministry vide letter dated 09.03.2023. Hence, the State Govt. needs to examine the financial viability of the project and submit a detailed analysis/report as requested earlier.
- ii. The State Govt. has not given the detail of any new site on the Non-forest land which has been explored keeping in view the non-site specific nature of the project. Further presentation from the DGCA and MADC will also be required to be made before the FAC once the complete information is submitted by the State Govt. and the proposal is listed in the agenda items to be considered by the FAC.

Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry as per the decision of FAC for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Signed by

Suneet Bhardwaj

Date: 29-05-2023 17:09:29

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(Suneet Bhardwaj)

**Assistant Inspector General of Forests**

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