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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003 Dated: As per E-Sign

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal.

Subject: 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 70.88 ha forest land in favour of Water Resource Department for the construction of Semal Khedi Teerth Minor Irrigation Project under Vidisha District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/IRRIG/30846/2017) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the APCCF- cum-Nodal Officer, Government of Madhya Pradesh's letter No. F-3/72/564701/0031/3 dated 04.06.2025 on the above mentioned subject and to say that examination of same revealed following shortcomings:

- i. The copy of approved CAT Plan in view of Para 9.2 of the consolidated guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 has not been submitted and same needs submission.
- ii. As per DSS analysis, the KML files/ Map showing the details of distribution network like canals and pipelines has not uploaded/submitted and same needs submission.
- iii. The DGPS map for the entire land (Forest and Non-Forest land) involved in the project shall be submitted.
- iv. The details regarding the Agricultural lands, Pucca Road and few Built-up area within the forest land sought for diversion has not been submitted and same needs submission.
- v. As per DSS analysis, the user agency has uploaded incorrect KML file of the submergence area as total area of the submergence zone as per the KML file is found 158.628 ha whereas the total submergence area as mentioned in the proposal is 138.68 ha (69.58 ha Forest land + 69.1 ha Non-Forest land). Moreover, the correctness of the submergence zone KML file shall be crossverified as part of the proposed forest land (forest area for submergence) KML file is falling outside the submergence zone and proposed forest land for waste weir construction is falling inside the submergence zone KML file.
- vi. The contour map/ digital elevation model specifically showing the boundary of instant project has not been submitted and same needs submission.

- vii. As per the DSS analysis, the CA patch namely Village Saklon, Khasra No. 1/1 comprising an area of 1.914 ha is falling in the forest land. Further, the said CA patch is found isolated and having area less than 5 ha. The State Govt. was requested for revision of same. However the same is not revised. Keeping the same in view, the state government is requested to do the needful with regard to the revision in the CA site as above. Further, the state has informed that "प्रकरण में क्षतिपुर्ति वनीकरण हेतु प्राप्त गैर वन भूमि के खसरों की जांच कराई जा रही है जिसकी जानकारी पृथक से प्रेषित की जावेगी" In this regard the State shall ensure that no part of land proposed for CA in the instant project is falling in the forest boundary and report as above shall be submitted.
- viii. The State Government was informed that the proposed CA patches are having encroachment of Agriculture land and the State Govt. shall examine the suitability of proposed CA land as per Rule-13 of the Van (Sanrakshan evam Samvardhan), Rules2023 and shall submit a report. However, report has not been submitted and same needs submission.

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

Yours sincerely,

Digitally signed by SUNEET BHARDWAJ Date: 27-06-2025 15:37:44

Sd/-(Suneet Bhardwaj)

**Assistant Inspector General of Forests** 

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- 1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal;
- 3. The Nodal Officer, Department of Forest Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.