

F. No. 11-103/2016-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Aliganj, Jorbagh Road
New Delhi 110 003
Dated: 30th January, 2017

To,
The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Karnataka,
Bangalore.

Sub: Revocation of In-principal approvals/ Stage-I Clearances issued by this Ministry, New Delhi which are pending due to non compliance of conditions for more than 5 years as provided under para 4.2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines thereof.

Sir,

I am directed to invite your kind attention on para 4.2.(i) & (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 guidelines thereof which states that Two Stage Clearance of Proposals which states that *Forestry clearance will be given in two stages. In 1st stage, the proposal shall be agreed to in principle in which usually the conditions relating to transfer, mutation and declaration as RF/PF under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 of equivalent non forest land for compensatory afforestation and funds for raising compensatory afforestation thereof are stipulated and after receipt of compliance report from the State Government in respect of the stipulated conditions, formal approval under the Act shall be issued. However in cases where compliance of conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval is awaited for more than 5 (five) years from the State Governments, the in principle approvals would summarily be revoked.*

14. It has been observed that there are several cases in your State for which Stage-II Clearances/final approval are pending since five or more years due to non-receipt of compliance on the conditions stipulated in stage-I clearance . A list of such type of cases are enclosed for your ready reference.

15. In view of facts stated above it has been decided by the Ministry that Stage - I clearance accorded for the above mentioned projects are hereby revoked with immediate effect. If the State Govt. is still interested in the forest clearance in any project then fresh online application with cogent reasons for non-submission of compliance of the condition stipulated in Stage-I Clearance may be submitted for the consideration of the Ministry.

16. The State Government /UT may inform whether any non- forestry activity proposed in the proposal referred above, for which Stage - I approval was granted, has been undertaken by the user agency. In this regard a report may be furnished within 15 days of issue of this letter.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

Encl.as above.

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Regional Office, Bangalore.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
4. **All Concerned Files.**
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.

Yours faithfully,


(Nisheeth Saxena)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)


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Details of proposals granted Stage I FC by FC Division (area involving more than 40 ha.) and the compliance report is awaited for 5 or more years from State Governments

S. No.	File No.	State Name	Proposal Name	Category	Area Applied	Area Diverted	Submission Date	Stage I Date
1	8-57/2009-FC	Karnataka	DIVERSION OF 269.47 HA. OF FOREST LAND FOR CONSTRUCTION OF DAM, CANAL AND SUBMERGENCE AREA FOR BELLARY NALLA PROJECT IN BELGAUM TALUK.	IRRIGATION	269.47	269.47	21-Aug-09	20-Apr-10
2	8-KRA111/2006-FCD	Karnataka	26.40 MW WIND POWER PROJECT IN TORANGALLU AND CHIKKANATHAPUR RESERVE FOREST IN FAVOUR OF SUZLON ENERGY LIMITED	WIND POWER	41.78	41.48	18-Sep-06	08-Jun-09
3	8-KRA034/2006-FCD	Karnataka	DIVERSION OF SETTING UP OF AIR TO GROUND RANGE BY INDIAN AIR FORCE	DEFENCE	297.863	297.863	10-Apr-06	22-Sep-06
4	8-KRA055/2005-FCD	Karnataka	RENEWAL OF LEASE FOR CENTRAL PLANTATION CORPS RESEARCH INSTITUTE (AN ICAR UNIT) AT KIDU VILLAGE OF SULLIA TALUK (AGRO FORESTRY)	OTHERS	121.41	121.41	01-Jun-05	19-Jun-06
5	8-99/1994-FC	Karnataka	CONSTRUCTION OF UDUTHORAHALLA RESERVOIR PROJECT	IRRIGATION	183.6	183.6	08-Dec-94	19-Jun-06
6	8-124/1992-FC	Karnataka	RENEWAL OF KUMSI MINING LEASE IN FAVOUR OF MYSORE MINERALS LIMITED	MINING	89	24.55	14-May-92	25-Jan-05
7	8-28/2000-FC(PT)	Karnataka	MINING LEASE TO MYSORE MINERALS LTD	MINING	98.224	98.224	01-Jan-00	25-Jul-03
8	8-39/2003-FC	Karnataka	MINING LEASE TO LAKSHMINARAYANA MINING CO.	MINING	105.22	105.22	27-Mar-03	08-May-03
9	8-24/2001-FC	Karnataka	DISPOSAL OF HAZARDOUS WASTE	OTHERS	50	50	02-Mar-01	22-Oct-02
10	8-60/1997-FC	Karnataka	MINING LEASE TO VISL	MINING	40.12	40.12	03-Apr-97	12-Jun-98
11	8-457/1983-FC	Karnataka	ML TO DALMIA CEMENTS LTD	MINING	331.5	201.5	01-Dec-83	24-Dec-97