

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

Memo No.840/For.I(1)/2017

Dated:07.03.2022

From

The Special Chief Secretary to Government,  
EFS&T(Forest) Department,  
Telangana State Secretariat,  
Hyderabad.

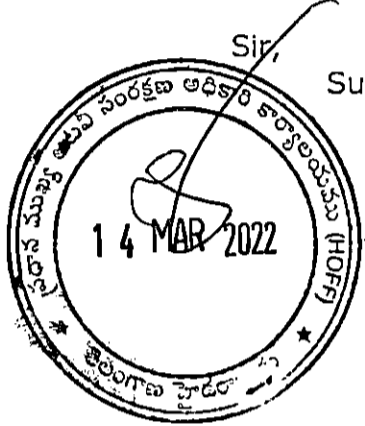
To

Regional Officer(Central),  
Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad,  
Aranya Bhavan,

Opposite Reserve Bank of India, Saifabad,  
Hyderabad - 500004(w.e.)

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Sir,

Sub:- Forest (Conservation) Act - Diversion of 29.216 Ha of forest land in Asifabad (20.484 ha), Utnoor (FDPT) (7.031 ha) and Adilabad (1.701 ha) forest divisions under Adilabad and Komarambheem Districts - for laying of Pipe Line and Construction of Structures in Segment-22/17 (Powerguda)- for providing safe drinking water - under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project - in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Nirmal.- Furnishing of Compliance report - Regarding.

Ref:-1)From the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, T.S., Hyd.,Lr.No.12338/2016/ WL-1, Dt:23.02.2017.

2) State Govt.Lr.No.840/For.I (1)/2017-18&2, Dt:28.02.2017 & 07.06.2017.

3) From the PCCF (HoFF), T.S., Hyd. Ref.No.10697/2016/FCA-1, Dated:06.05.2017

4) GoI, MoEF & CC, Chennai, F.No. 4-TSC096/2017-CHN/1111, Dt.18.07.2017.

5)Govt. Memo No.840/For.I(1)/2017, Dated:02.08.2017.

6)From the PCCF(HoFF), T.S. Hyd. Rc.No.10692/2016/FCA-1, Dt.07.02.2022

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I, am to invite your attention to the reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited and to inform that the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, have accorded approval in-principle (Stage-I) U/s 2 of Forest (C) Act, 1980, for diversion of 29.216 Ha of forest land in Asifabad (20.484 ha), Utnoor (FDPT) (7.031 ha) and Adilabad (1.701 ha) forest divisions under Adilabad and Komarambheem Districts - for laying of Pipe Line and Construction of Structures in Segment-22/17 (Powerguda)- for providing safe drinking water - under Telangana Drinking Water Supply Project - in favour of Superintending Engineer, TDWSP (RWS&S) Circle, Nirmal, subject to fulfillment of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

2. I am to further inform that the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, in her letter 6<sup>th</sup> cited, has submitted condition wise compliance report on the conditions stipulated in in-principle (Stage-I) approval. The details of which are as follows:-

Sl. No	Description of Condition	Compliance
(i)	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged	The User Agency has complied with the condition (undertaking enclosed).
(ii)	The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency.	The User Agency has deposited the following amount into PD accounts of respective divisions: <b>Adilabad Division (1.701 Ha) :-</b> An amount of Rs. 12,91,025/-(Rs.

		<p>11,72,350 for concrete pillars + Rs 1,18,675 for Administrative cost + extraction charges of tree growth Rs.14,400/- totaling to Rs.13,05,425/- with UTR No. UBINH21083411724 Dt: 24.03.2021 into PD Account of FDO, Adilabad.</p> <p><b><u>Utnoor Division (7.031 Ha) :-</u></b></p> <p>An amount of Rs. 45,24,600/- towards constructions of boundary pillars + 1,24,200/- towards extraction charges of tree growth totaling to Rs.46,48,800/- in PD Account of FDO, Utnoor vide UTR No. UBINH20357892958, Dt: 22.12.2020).</p> <p><b><u>KB Asifabad District (20.484 Ha) :-</u></b></p> <p>An amount of <b>Rs.1,06,14,550/-</b> in to account of Forest Divisional Officer, Asifabad in CA-PD A/c No. 39046731621, IFSC Code : SBIN0020746, State Bank of India, Branch: Janakapur, vide UTR No. UBINA 22021021201898388, Dt: 12.02.2021.</p>
(iii)	The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 30.36 ha in Sy.No.01, marikala Village of Jayashankar Distrtict Bhupalpally Division at the cost of UA.	<p>The User Agency has deposited an amount totaling to <b><u>Rs. 7,71,57,628/-</u></b> (towards NPV Rs. <u>4,14,35,528/-</u> + CA Rs.<u>3,57,22,100/-</u>), into the account of Telangana State CAMPA, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, against the project <b>FP/TG/WATER/20033/2016</b>, which is reflected as "PAID" in Ministry's portal.</p> <p>A copy of the status obtained from the Ministry's portal is enclosed herewith.</p>
(iv)	Identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed and submitted undertaking that the identified CA land and approved CA scheme shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government, which is enclosed herewith.
(v)	The CA area identified at Sy.No.01 of Marikala Village of Jayashankar District Bhupalpally shall be treated as per the CA scheme approved.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(vi)	Non-forest land identified for raising compensatory afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before issue of the Stage-II clearance;	<p>The User Agency has identified the Non-Forest Land for Compensatory Afforestation (CA) in Sy No.01 to an extent of 30.00 Ha situated in Marikala village &amp; SY.No.2 to a extentof 33.06 Acres has been transferred &amp; Mutated to the Forest Department vide Thahasildar, Venkatapuram Mandal vide Rc.No.B/281/2018, dt.23.02.2019.</p> <p>The land has been taken over by FRO, Venkatapuram vide Lr.dt.23.02.2019.</p>
(vii)	Non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation shall be declared as Reserved Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927	The non-forest CA land transferred and mutated in favour of State Forest Department will be declared as PF/ RF under Telangana Forest Act, 1967 within a period of six months upon receipt of Stage II approval.

	or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act. The Nodal Officer must report compliance within a period of 6 months from the date of grant of final approval and send a copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land under Section 4 or Section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927, or under the relevant section of the local Forest Act as the case may be, to this office for information and record;	
(viii)	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 29.216 ha from User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos. 826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995.	The User Agency has deposited an amount totaling to <b><u>Rs. 7,71,57,628/-</u></b> (towards NPV Rs. 4,14,35,528/- + CA Rs.3,57,22,100/-), into the account of Telangana State CAMPA, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, against the project <b><u>FP/TG/WATER/20033/2016</u></b> , which is reflected as "PAID" in Ministry's portal.  A copy of the status obtained from the Ministry's portal is enclosed herewith.
(ix)	Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency.	The User Agency has agreed to this condition and furnished an undertaking to this effect.
(x)	The funds received from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value under this project including levies towards mitigation measures for wildlife conservation etc shall be deposited in the respective bank account of the Telangana State CAMPA. <b><u>The User Agency shall compulsorily deposit the CA and other levies only by generating challan through the Ministry's website.</u></b>	The User Agency has deposited an amount totaling to <b><u>Rs. 7,71,57,628/-</u></b> (towards NPV Rs. 4,14,35,528/- + CA Rs.3,57,22,100/-), into the account of Telangana State CAMPA, New Delhi, Lodhi Complex, against the project <b><u>FP/TG/WATER/20033/2016</u></b> , which is reflected as "PAID" in Ministry's portal. A copy of the status obtained from the Ministry's portal is enclosed herewith.
(xi)	The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/ debris will be disposed off in the forest areas.	The User Agency has agreed to this condition and furnished an undertaking to this effect.
(xii)	Tree felling in the proposed forest area shall be carried out wherever necessary, with the prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned.	The User Agency has deposited the following amount into PD accounts of respective divisions: <b><u>Adilabad Division (1.701 Ha) :-</u></b> An amount of Rs.14,400/- towards extraction charges of tree growth is deposited on Dt: 24.03.2021 into PD Account of FDO, Adilabad. <b><u>Utnoor Division (7.031 Ha) :-</u></b> An amount of Rs.1,24,200/- towards extraction charges of tree growth is

		<p>deposited in PD Account of FDO, Uttnoor vide UTR No. UBINH20357892958, Dt: 22.12.2020).</p> <p><b>KB Asifabad District (20.484 Ha) :-</b> There is no tree growth in the diversion area.</p>
(xiii)	State Forest Department shall carry out translocation of the trees wherever feasible at the cost of User Agency.	User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith
(xiv)	Wherever necessary, user agency shall provide free supply of water for forest nurseries and field staff quarters and range offices, besides providing outlets with small troughs during summer for wild animals in forest areas.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith
(xv)	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xvi)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xvii)	UA shall use existing paths and road for laying of pipeline and no new paths / roads are to be formed.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xviii)	Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xix)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed <b>29.216</b> ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.
(xx)	The user agency should make provisions for supply of water to wildlife at designated places 1 along the route passing through forest area, in consultation with Telangana Forest Department. Such provision should be made at intervals of 2 km each. Precautions have to be taken to avoid concentration of livestock at the water point.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith.

(xxi)	State Govt. and the UA shall implement mitigation measures and other conditions as recommended by the Standing Committee of NBWL vide Ministrys Lr.No.6-69/2017/WL, dt.02.06.2017 at the project cost.	The User Agency has deposited the following amounts:- <b>Utnoor division (7.031 ha) :-</b> An amount of Rs. 1,77,73,000/- vide UTR No. TRID Z0098498, Dt: 22.12.2020) towards for implementation of mitigation measures and other conditions into the account of Telangana State BIOSOT account. <b>KB Asifabad division (20.484 Ha):-</b> An amount of <b>Rs. 3,88,10,000/-</b> in the Account of BIOSOT, into A/c No. <b>110310100030284</b> , IFSC Code: <b>ANDB 0001103</b> , Andhra Bank, Branch: Secretariat Branch, Hyderabad, through <b>UTR No. Z0099762, Dt: 22.12.2020</b> . The details of which are as follows: 1. Mitigative Measures as per Part-IV - Rs. 1,14,00,000/- 2. Planting Low height evergreen shrubs with shallow roots on the both sites of the pipeline to shelter to small wild animals shall be taken every (2) meters ( <b>Wildlife area length is 177.990 Kms x Rs. 154059</b> )- Rs. 2,74,10,000/-
(xxii)	The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation as reported by the DFO, Adilabad / Asifabad / Utnoor in Sl.No.12 (v) (a) (b) of Part-II shall be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in Web Portal.	The progress of the Compensatory Afforestation under the jurisdiction of F.D.O.s will be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report will be submitted to the Regional Officer to upload the same in the web portal.
(xxiii)	User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith
(xxiv)	UA shall submit annual self compliance report to the RO, Chennai.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith
(xxv)	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Addl. PCCF(Central) of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith
(xxvi)	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with the condition and submitted an undertaking, which is enclosed herewith

3. I am to inform that the Stage-I clearance has been published by the User Agency in Indian Express daily news paper of English and Telugu.

4. I am to further inform that the Conservator of Forests, Adilabad vide lr.dt.18.11.2021 & 10.12.2022 has submitted violation report in prescribed proforma pertaining to Asifabad /Utnoor /Adilabad Divisions.

5. I am also to enclose a copy of the letter 6<sup>th</sup> cited along with its enclosures of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad and to request you to obtain and communicate final (Stage.II) approval, at the earliest.

Yours faithfully

  
for Special Chief Secretary to Government

**Copy to:**

✓ The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),  
Telangana State, Hyderabad.  
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