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File No. 6-MPA020/2018-BHO/250
To,

The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests),
Govt. of Madhya Pradesh,
Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal
(Madhya Pradesh).

Date : 28/02/2020

Sub: Diversion of 208.89 ha (188.97 ha in Indore Forest Division and 19.922 ha in Badwah Forest Division) Forest land for the gauge conversion of railway line between Mahu-Sanawad in Indore and Khargone districts in favour of Western Railway, Indore.

Ref: 1) REC minutes letter No. 6-REC10/2014-BHO/Part-II/247 dated 26/02/2020.
2) APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer letter No. F-5/834/2018/10-11/1715 dated 14/06/2018 and 186 dated 13/01/2020.

Sir,

The proposal was duly considered and approved by the Regional Empowered Committee in its meeting held on 25.02.2020 for issuance of in-principle approval. Therefore, the undersigned, on behalf of the Central Government, conveys **In-Principle Approval (Stage-I)** for diversion of 208.89 ha (188.97 ha in Indore Forest Division and 19.922 ha in Badwah Forest Division) Forest land for the gauge conversion of railway line between Mahu-Sanawad in Indore and Khargone districts in favour of Western Railway, Indore, Madhya Pradesh subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Forest land shall be handed over to the user agency only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over by the user agency.
3. **Compensatory Afforestation:**
 - a) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 464.00 ha degraded-forest land. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided. The details of CA areas are following :
 - i. Area-30.00 ha, Compartment No. RF-186, Range-Indore, Division-Indore.
 - ii. Area-42.00 ha, Compartment No. RF-224, Range-Indore, Division-Indore.
 - iii. Area-46.00 ha, Compartment No. RF-266, Range-Indore, Division-Indore.
 - iv. Area-46.00 ha, Compartment No. RF-1, Range-Manpur, Division-Indore.
 - v. Area-100.00 ha, Compartment No. RF-409, Range-Jhabua, Division-Jhabua.
 - vi. Area-200.00 ha, Compartment No. RF-341, Range-Petlawada, Division-Jhabua.
 - b) Total No. of saplings to be planted shall not be less than nos. 4,64,000 (464.00 ha x 1000) in CA land. The composition of saplings (number species wise) to be planted shall be as per the National Forest Policy and shall be recorded in plantation journal.
 - c) The standard size sapling (minimum height & minimum collar girth species wise) as approved by the State Govt. shall be planted in the selected CA land.
 - d) The height and collar girth (specie wise) shall be measured & recorded at the time of plantation and in November of plantation year. Further, data of height, collar girth and

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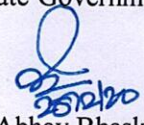
- survival percentage (species wise) twice a year (April & November month) shall be recorded & records shall be maintained.
- e) All the live stumps & pollards upto 90 cm Girth shall be dressed from ground level for the purpose of regeneration & record shall be kept in plantation journal.
- f) Plantation shall be taken up before end of 2021 monsoon.
4. **The User Agency shall deposit Rs. 1473.49 lakh for compensatroy afforestation in CAMPA fund.**
5. The cost of compensatroy afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars if required on the CA land shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.
6. Net Present Value (NPV):
- a) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value(NPV) for the 208.89 ha forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30.10.2002, 01.08.2003, 28.03.2008, 24/04/2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No. 5-1/1998-FC (Pt.II) dated 18.09.2003, as well as letter No. 5-2/2006-FC dated 03/10/2006, 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 and chapter 3 of handbook 2019 of F(C)A, 1980 & FC Rules 2003 in this regard.
- b) Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
7. User agency shall restrict the felling of **39,033** number of trees in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the user agency with the State Forest Department.
8. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<http://parivesh.nic.in/>).
9. Details of displacement of the peoples involved in this project shall be submitted along with compliance of Stage-II approval.
10. Speed regulating signage will be erected along the railway line at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas.
11. The user agency shall provide suitable under/ over passes in Protected Area/ Forest Area as per recommendations of CWLW / NBWL / FAC / REC, if applicable.
12. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
13. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
14. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
15. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
16. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
17. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.

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18. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
19. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
20. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
21. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per Para 1.21 of FCA Act, 1980 Handbook 2019.
22. The State Govt. and User Agency shall comply the provisions of all the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order and Hon'ble court order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
23. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
24. All the conditions imposed through Local Forest Act/State Forest Act/Rules shall be applicable in the project.
25. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).

After receipt of compliance report on fulfillment of all the above conditions from the State Government, proposal will be considered for final approval under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Any order for transfer of forest land to user agency shall not be issued by the State Government till formal approval for diversion of forest land is issued by this office.



(B. Abhay Bhaskar)

Asstt. Inspector General of Forests (C)

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2. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer (LM), Satpura Bhawan, Madhya Pradesh.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Forest Division- Indore, MP.
4. The Divisional Forest Officer, Forest Division- Badwah, MP.
5. The Dy. Chief Engineer West Central Railway, Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
6. Order file.

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