



**Government of Karnataka**

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Bengaluru, Date: **03-02-2022.**

**From:**

**The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,**  
Forest, Ecology and Environment Department,  
Bengaluru-560001.

**To:**

**The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),**  
Aranya Bhavan, Malleshwaram,  
Bengaluru-560003

**Sir,**

**Sub:** Diversion of 0.8311 hectare of forest land in Devihal, Bellatti and Etagi Villages, Shirahatti & Lakshmeshwara Taluks, Gadag District (Gadag Forest Division) for laying /Construction of water pipeline (raising main pipeline and gravity main pipeline), inspection path/approach road, etc., for providing drinking water and recharging ground water to fill 20 tanks in Shirahatti Taluk under Shirahatti Lift Irrigation Scheme in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigama Limited (KNNL), Singatalur Lift Irrigation Division No-1, Mundaragi, Gadag District.

**Proposal No. FP/KA/WATER/46525/2020**

**Ref:** Your Officer letter No. KFD/HOFF/A52K(GFL)/11/2020-FC-KFD, Dated:29-12-2021.

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With reference to the above subject I am directed to refer to your office letter vide referred at above seeking prior approval of the State Government under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above cited project.

The State Government hereby conveys in-principle approval (Stage-I) under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the Diversion of 0.8311 hectare of forest land in Devihal, Bellatti and Etagi Villages, Shirahatti & Lakshmeshwara Taluks, Gadag District (Gadag Forest Division) for laying /Construction of water pipeline (raising main pipeline and gravity main pipeline), inspection path/approach road, ect., for providing drinking water and recharging ground water to fill 20 tanks in Shirahatti Taluk under Shirahatti Lift Irrigation Scheme in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigama Limited (KNNL), Singatalur Lift Irrigation Division No-1, Mundaragi, Gadag District. subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:-

01. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged and it shall continue to be the forest land.
02. The User Agency shall pay the applicable Net Present Value (NPV), Land lease rent and any other levies as per the conditions of approval.

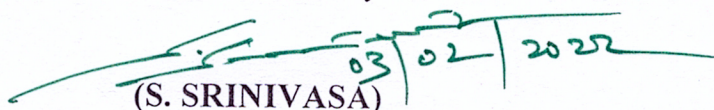


03. Forest Land will be handed over only after required non forest land for the project is handed over to the User Agency.(if required as per the Rules/ Guidelines)
04. All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal.
05. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by the way of prescribed certificate from the concerned Deputy Commissioner.
06. The pipeline shall be laid down 1.5 meter below the ground and after lying down of pipe line the ground will be levelled.
07. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
08. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of State Government.
09. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
10. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labour after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the forest development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
11. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest.
12. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
13. The period of diversion under this approval shall be for 30 Years or the project life, whichever is less.
14. The forest land shall not be used for any purposes other than that specified in the project proposal
15. 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.
16. The lessee shall not sub-lease, mortgage & hypothecate the forest area.
17. The leased out area should be used for the purpose for which it is granted. In case, the land is not used for the stipulated purpose within two years or when it is no longer needed for the stipulated purpose, the area would stand resumed to the Forest Department.
18. The application for renewal of the lease in the prescribed form and manner shall be submitted at least six months prior to the expiry of forest lease. In case, no renewal is sought, the Lessee shall hand over the lease.
19. No residential or commercial buildings shall be permitted in the forest area proposed for diversion.



20. No crushing /breaking of stones shall be allowed inside forest area and all waste /debris generated shall be scientifically disposed off outside the forest area.
21. Any damage to forest area because of implementation of the project shall be compensated by the Lessee. The extent of damage shall be assessed by the jurisdictional Deputy Conservator of Forests/Conservator of Forests/Chief Conservator of Forests.
22. The Lessee shall ensure that no avoidable harm is caused to the fauna and flora in and around the proposed area.
23. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
24. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guideline of Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC. dated: 28-03-2019.
25. The Forest Department and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

Yours faithfully

  
(S. SRINIVASA)

Under Secretary to Government

Forest, Ecology and Environment Department (Forest-C)

Copy to: -

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