



GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

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Karnataka Government Secretariat
Multistoried Buildings,
Bengaluru, Date: 04-05-2022.

From:

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

To:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
AranyaBhavan, Malleshwaram,
Bengaluru-560003.

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 0.13 ha of forest land in 9 villages Gadag District (Gadag Forest Division) for construction of Over Head Water Storage/ Ground level storage Tank at village level and providing distributed piped connection for potable drinking water for various villages through Dbot Package-2 of Multi village Scheme Implementation under Jal Jeevan Mission in favour of Zilla Panchayat, Gadag.

Proposal No.FP/KA/WATER/149106/2021.

Ref: Your Office letter No.KFD/HOFF/A5-2K(GFL)/3/2021-FC-KFD.
Dated:31-03-2021.

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

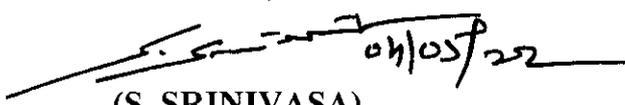
The State Government hereby conveys in-principle approval (Stage-I) under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the Diversion of 0.13 ha of forest land in 9 villages Gadag District (Gadag Forest Division) for construction of Over Head Water Storage/ Ground level storage Tank at village level and providing distributed piped connection for potable drinking water for various villages through Dbot Package-2 of Multi village Scheme Implementation under Jal Jeevan Mission in favour of Zilla Panchayat, Gadag subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-

01. The Legal Status of the 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. All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred /deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal.

04. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned Deputy Commissioner.
05. **The Pipeline shall be laid down 1.5 meter below the ground and after lying down of pipe line the ground will be leveled.**
06. User Agency shall obtain Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
07. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
08. No Labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
09. 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.
10. 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.
11. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
12. The period of diversion under this approval shall be 30 Years or the project life, whichever is less.
13. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the project proposal.
14. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Government of India.
15. The lessee shall not sub-lease, mortgage & hypothecate the forest area.
16. 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.
17. 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.
18. No residential or commercial buildings shall be permitted in the forest area proposed for diversion.
19. No crushing / breaking of stones or labour camp shall be allowed inside forest area and all waste / debris generated shall be scientifically disposed off outside the forest area.

20. 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.
21. The Lessee shall ensure that no avoidable harm is caused to the fauna and flora in and around the proposed area.
22. In case, any violation of the provisions of the Karnataka Forest Act, 1963 & Rules, 1969 or other relevant Acts/Rules is reported during the lease period, the lease will be liable for forfeiture under Section 82 of Karnataka Forest Act, 1963. The Chief Conservator of Forests and/or Deputy Conservator of Forests concerned are authorized to take necessary action in this regard.
23. The approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to any other clearances necessary under the prevailing statutes.
24. The User Agency shall also abide by other conditions those may be imposed by the Government of India, Government of Karnataka and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) before or after the approval.
25. The Compliance report shall be uploaded on *e-portal* (<https://parivesh.nic.in>)
26. 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 forest & wildlife.
27. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC-dated: 29-01-2018.

Yours faithfully

 04/05/22

(S. SRINIVASA)

Under Secretary to Government

Forest, Ecology and Environment Department (Forest-C)

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