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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,
M.S.Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi,
Bangalore - 560 001

Sub: Diversion of 0.02342 ha (revised from 0.0279ha) of forest land in Sy. No.5 of Basavanapura Village and Sy. No.15 of Kalkere Village in Anekal Taluk (Bannerghataa Division) (from existing pipeline to NIMHANS in Sakalavara Village, (Bengaluru Urban District) for laying of pipeline in favour of Assistant Executive Engineer, Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewage Board, South Village-1, Sub Division, BWSSB, 21st Main, 11th Block, Anjanapura, Bengaluru -reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to State Government letter No.FEE51FLL2003 (e) dated 06/05/2024 seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section'2'(1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam 1980.

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government, in-principle approval /Stage-I clearance of the Central Government is hereby granted under **Section '2' (I) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam,1980** for diversion of 0.02342 ha (revised from 0.0279ha) of forest land in Sy. No.5 of Basavanapura Village and Sy. No.15 of Kalkere Village in Anekal Taluk (Bannerghataa Division) (from existing pipeline to NIMHANS in Sakalavara Village, (Bengaluru Urban District) for laying of pipeline in favour of Assistant Executive Engineer, Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewage Board, South Village-1, Sub Division, BWSSB, 21st Main, 11th Block, Anjanapura, Bengaluru subject to the following conditions:

1. The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. This in principle approval (Stage-I) granted under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam,1980 is subject to the approval of Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife (SC-NBWL), as the

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forest area proposed for diversion is within the Bannerghatta National Park. The State Government shall furnish the approval of SC-NBWL along with compliance report.

3. The State Government/User Agency shall ensure that no work is undertaken without prior approval of SC-NBWL.
4. The User Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal as per the guideline issued by Ministry vide letter No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022 and as per the provision of Chapter 3 of the consolidated Guidelines and Clarification issued vide MoEF&CC order dated 29.12.2023;
5. Cost of raising ten times number of trees to be felled (subject to minimum number of 100 plants (including maintenance) shall be realized from the user agency towards compensatory Afforestation.
6. At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
7. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to designated CAMPA account of the concerned State, only through **e-portal** (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);
8. Location of the area (Map with DGPS coordinates) identified for raising the CA plantation shall be furnished along with compliance report.
9. The KML file of the forest area to be diverted and location CA area shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details and same shall be submitted along with GPS id.
10. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
11. 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.
12. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land by the State Government.
13. No additional or new paths will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
14. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.02342 ha **and** the forest area to be diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. **The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;**
15. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be

transferred to any other agency, department, or person without prior approval of the Central Government.

16. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
17. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
18. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the flora and wild life of the area.
19. The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Regional Office, Bangalore, by the end of March every year.
20. The user agency shall comply with all the provisions of all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
21. The State Government shall ensure settlement of rights under the scheduled tribes and other Traditional forest dwellers (Recognition of forest rights) Acts 2006, as per the rule 11 (7) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023
22. Any other condition that the Regional Office, Bengaluru may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
23. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

After receipt of compliance report on fulfilment of the conditions mentioned above, the proposal shall be considered for final approval under Section-2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980. Transfer of forest land shall not be effected till final approval is granted by the Central Government in this regard.

Further, it may also be noted that this in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions within 2 years, the in-principle approval shall be deemed to be null and void.

Yours faithfully,

(Praneetha Raul)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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1. The Inspector General of Forests, ROHQ, MoEF&CC, Indira Paryavarana Bhavan, JorBagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi-110003.

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2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
4. The Assistant Executive Engineer, Bengaluru Water Supply and Sewage Board, South Village, Sub Division, BWSSB, 21st Main, 11th Block, Anjanapura, Bengaluru-560083.
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