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To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Revenue and Forest Department, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk Madam Cama Marg Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400032.

Sub: Diversion Diversion of 0.27 ha of Forest land in favour of Shirur Municipal Corporation, Ghodnadi for Laying underground two 500 mm Dia DI Pipeline and 450 mm Dia DI Pipeline passing through Forest Land for the project of Ghodnadi Jackwell to WTP in Pune district in the state of Maharashtra.-FP/MH/IRRIG/149069/2021- in principle approval - regarding.

Sir,

Please refer to the Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-2022/C.R.-299/F-10 dated 02.06.2023 and online application No **FP/MH/IRRIG/149069/2021**seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 (1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam,1980.

After careful consideration of the proposal submitted by the State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's <u>In-</u> <u>principle</u> approval under Section '2' (1) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam,1980 for diversion of 0.27 ha of Forest land in favour of Shirur Municipal Corporation, Ghodnadi for Laying underground two 500 mm Dia DI Pipeline and 450 mm Dia DI Pipeline passing through Forest Land for the project of Ghodnadi Jackwell to WTP in Pune district in the state of Maharashtra, subject to the fulfilment of the following conditions:-

- 1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged;
- The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out at suitable places as per the direction of the DCF concerned at the cost of the User Agency;
- 3. The cost of plantation of raising and maintenance of 100 numbers of plants, shall be levied from the user agency towards

compensatory afforestation;

- 4. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring <u>0.27 ha</u> from the 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 and Ministry's guideline No.5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 22.03.2022.
- 5. 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 the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/);
- 7. No Labour camps/ office etc shall be built in the forest area;
- 8. No tree felling shall be carried out in the forest area;.
- 9. After ensuring settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (2 of 2007) and compliance to all such conditions, the State Government shall issue order for working permission and diversion as the case may be;
- 10. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;
- No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for the transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;
- 12. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;
- 13. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.27 ha and the forest area 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;
- 14. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to the all acts, rules, regulation and guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to the subject project;
- 15. Any other condition that the Regional Office, Nagpur 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;

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- In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the rules / guidelines issued under <u>Van(Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan)</u> <u>Adhiniyam, 1980;</u>
- 17. The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online (https://parivesh.nic.in/).

The in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of **2 years** from the date of issue of the same. In the event of non- compliance of the above conditions within the stipulated period, this in-principle approval **shall be deemed to be null and void;**

This issues with the approval of DDGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully, (C.B. Tashildar) AIGF (Central)

Copy to:

- i. The IGF (RoHQ), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003 **for information please**
- ii. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- iii. User agency.
- iv. Guard file.

(C.B. Tashildar) AIGF (Central)