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दिनांक : 07 /05/2025.

प्रति,

प्रधान सचिव (वन)
मध्यप्रदेश शासन,
वल्लभ भवन, भोपाल ।

विषय: ग्वालियर जिले में वेस्टर्न बायपास के निर्माण हेतु 42.83 हेक्टेयर आरक्षित वनभूमि भारतीय राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग प्राधिकरण ग्वालियर को उपयोग पर देने बाबत (FP/MP/ROAD/149532/2021).

Sir,

This refers to letter Nos. F-5/1121/2022/10-11/1665 dated 11/05/2022, 3542 dated 17/10/2022, 4690 dated 19/10/2023, 1231 dated 23/02/2024, 3411 dated 28/06/2024 & 1059 dated 01/04/2025 of PCCF/APCCF (LM), Nodal Officer, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

After due consideration of the proposal of the State Government and on the decision of Regional Empowered Committee in its 4th meeting of 2025 on 28/04/2025, the "in-principle" approval of the Central Government, is hereby conveyed for diversion of 42.83 ha Reserved Forest land for construction of Bypass on Western Side of Gwalior City in favour of Project Director, National Highway Authority of India Limited in Gwalior District of Madhya Pradesh, subject to following conditions and stipulations:

A: Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department

- (1) The cost of compensatory afforestation on the **85.66 ha CA degraded-forest land** at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme (including the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars etc. as required for securing the land against encroachment) shall be deposited in advance with the State Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provisions for anticipated cost increase for the works scheduled for subsequent years.
- (2) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the **42.83 ha** forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per 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 & 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022 in this regard.
- (3) All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited in CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).

- (4) Complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- (5) **The acoustic noise barrier system/ Crash barrier system may be installed/executed as per specifications of IRC SP130-2022 and IRC code: 119-2015 wherever required during the construction of proposed road in consultation with the concern DFO. The area and geocoordinate detail may be submitted for length in which noise/crash barrier shall be installed. The same may also be marked in the KML of diversion area in different colour.**
- (6) **The area proposed for raising CA in DFL shall be shifted adjacent to the natural boundary of the compartment and ensure that the area accommodates at least 85,660 plants in the proposed DFL. The KML of CA area may be revised accordingly.**
- (7) **The User Agency shall prepare a site improvement plan for isolated patches affected by the construction of proposed road at coordinate (260 14'55.82"N, 780 4'6.54"E) and deposit the requisite fund into the CAMPA account. The site improvement plan must include all necessary components like fencing watering facility, soil & moisture conservation work, Plantation in gaps with native species, etc. (if not complied as a condition of wildlife clearance)**
- (8) **All conditions of wildlife clearance shall be strictly complied.**
- (9) **The road side plantation shall be carried out by the State Forest Department as per the scheme submitted and the requisite fund shall be deposited in CAMPA by the Project Proponent.**
- (10) **The User Agency shall submit an undertaking that no muck shall be disposed off in forest land.**
- (11) The KML files of Diverted and CA areas shall be uploaded on the e.Green watch portal with all requisite details prior to Stage-II Approval.
- (12) 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 Guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.
- (13) The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- (14) In case working permission is granted by the State Forest Department, a copy of the same shall be submitted with compliance report of Stage-I approval.

B: Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the User Agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:

- (1) Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (2) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over **85.66 ha Degraded Forest land** at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local native species shall be planted and monoculture of any species, especially non-native species should be avoided. Details of CA are as follows:

No.	Forest Division	Forest Range	Forest Compartment No.	CA Area (in Ha)
1.	Gwalior	Ghatigaon North	RDF-286	45.66
2.			RDF-287	40.00
TOTAL				85.66 Ha

- (3) 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 also be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.

- (4) The User Agency shall restrict felling of trees to the enumerated **740 numbers/any minimum** number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department or the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department and State Forest Department shall undertake the fellings.
- (5) Boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost.
- (6) **User agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road as per the IRC norms.**
- (7) **Speed regulating signages will be erected all along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas.**
- (8) Layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- (9) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- (10) The User Agency shall provide alternate fuels preferably LPG to the labourers and staff working at the site so as to prevent any damage and pressure on the nearby forests.
- (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 co-terminus with the project life.
- (13) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (14) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of all the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and National Green Tribunal Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
- (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 Central Government.
- (16) 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.

After receipt of the compliance report regarding fulfillment of the conditions as stipulated above, from the State Government, formal approval will be issued in this regard under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

This has been issued with the approval of competent authority.

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