

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA पर्यावरण ,वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE Regional Office (Southern Zone), Kendriya Sadan, IVth Floor, E& F Wings, 17th Main Road, IInd Block, Koramangala, Bangalore – 560 034, Tel.No.080-25635908, E.Mail: rosz.bng-mef@nic.in



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То

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

Subject: Diversion of 4.388 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 32 of Siddankolla, Sy.No. 33 of Benakanavari, Sy.No. 16 of Huvinahalli and Sy.No. 116 & 122 of Ramathala, Hungunda Taluk, Bagalkote District for improvement of road from Pattadakallu to Kamatagi (via Aihole) link 21F at Siddankolla in favour of of the Executive Engineer, KSHIP Division, Belagavi –reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE 101 FLL 2017 dated 01/12/2017 and Nodal Officer (FCA) letter No. A5(2).[A5(3)].GFL.CR-167/2011-12 dated 09/01/2018 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section'2' of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

After careful consideration of the proposal, I am directed to convey Central Government's approval in-principle **(Stage-I)** for diversion of 4.388 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 32 of Siddankolla, Sy.No. 33 of Benakanavari, Sy.No. 16 of Huvinahalli and Sy.No. 116 & 122 of Ramathala, Hungunda Taluk, Bagalkote District for improvement of road from Pattadakallu to Kamatagi (via Aihole) link 21F at Siddankolla in favour of of the Executive Engineer, KSHIP Division, Belagavi, for a period of 20 years, subject to the following conditions:-

- 1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2. The demarcation of the common boundary of the forest area being diverted shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency, before Stage-II approval.
- 3. The identified non-forest land over an extent of 4.388 ha. in Sy.No.266 of Halakurki village, Badami Taluk, Bagalkot District for Compensatory Afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in favour of Forest Department. The mutation details shall be furnished.
- 4. The cost of raising Compensatory Afforestation over identified non forest land shall be deposited by the user agency.
- 5. The Non-forest land for Compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as RF/PF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act within a

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period of 6 months from the date of issue of Stage-II approval and Nodal Officer (FCA) shall report the compliance.

- 6. Avenue planting shall be taken up by User Agency along the road on either sides wherever required at the project cost. The plantation shall also be maintained at the project cost. The user agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land of 4.388 ha. 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.
- 8. 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.
- User Agency should ensure that the compensatory levies are deposited through challan generated online on web portal and deposited in appropriate bank online only. Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage –I clearance.
- 10. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 4.388 ha.
- 11. Any other condition that the Addl. P.C.C.F. (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore may impose from time to time for protection, improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area and public convenience, shall also be applicable.
- 12. Violation of any of the conditions shall invite penal action, as deemed fit by the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore.

After receipt of the compliance report on the above conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years and the forest land shall not be transferred to the User Agency prior to the issue of final approval.

Yours sincerely,

(R. Padmawathe) Deputy Conservator of Forests (Central)

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- 1. The Director General of Forests & Special Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi 110 003.
- 2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore 560 003.

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- The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
- 4. The Executive Engineer, KSHIP Division, No. 170, Havannavar Building, Club Road, Belgaum. (Karnataka).
- 5. Guard file.

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