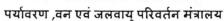
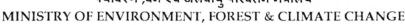
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F.No. 4-TSC234/2022-HYD/**377** Date **16th** February, 2022

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department, Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Sub: Diversion of 15.594 ha of forest land in Sangareddy division for Improvement and Widening to Two Lane with Paved shoulder from km 0.0 to km 49.0 of NH 161B on Nizampet-Narayankhed-Bidar Road in Sangareddy district in favour of Regional Officer, MoRTH, Hyderabad-Regarding.

Madam,

Please refer to the State Government's letter Nos. 4553/For. I (1)/2021 dated 04.01.2022 and online proposal No. FP/TG/ROAD/59453/2020 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the abovementioned project.

The proposed ROW of the road is 30 m which includes 7 m of carriage way at the centre and 2.5 m paved/earthen shoulder on either side of carriage way. Details of the forest area proposed for diversion falls in three forest blocks and the proposed road portion accordingly is in three stretches as shown below.

| SI.<br>No. | Reserved Forest<br>Block | Length of road (Mts) | Width of road (Mts) | Area<br>(Ha) |         |
|------------|--------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------|
| 1          | Jukalkhurdu              | 1548.00              | 30.00               | 4.6440       | 5.5640  |
|            |                          | 230.00               | 40.00               | 0.9200       |         |
| 2          | Railamadugu              | 2182.00              | 30.00               | 6.5460       | 7.4660  |
|            |                          | 230.00               | 40.00               | 0.9200       |         |
| 3          | Namelimet                | 548.00               | 30.00               | 1.6440       | 2.5650  |
|            |                          | 230.00               | 40.00               | 0.9200       |         |
|            | Total                    | 4968.00              |                     |              | 15.5940 |

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After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government and the recommendation of the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) in its 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 09.02.2022, I am directed to convey the Central Government's In - principle approval (Stage-I) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 15.594 ha of forest land in Sangareddy division for Improvement and Widening to Two Lane with Paved shoulder from km 0.0 to km 49.0 of NH 161B on Nizampet-Narayankhed-Bidar Road in Sangareddy district in favour of Regional Officer, MoRTH, Hyderabad, subject to the following conditions:-

- Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) The boundary of the diverted forest area shall be demarcated by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of the User Agency, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- (iii) The State Forest Department shall carry out compensatory afforestation over an extent of 31.2 ha of degraded forest area in Compt No. 420, Narayankhed Beat / Range of Jukal Khurdu RF at the cost of the User Agency. Considering the revised forest area diversion i.e. 15.594 against proposed 15.592 ha, accordingly proportionate additional extent of degraded forest area may be added with the identified DFL area in the same RF and CA scheme may be revised accordingly. Revised CA map along with DGPS co-ordinates and revised CA scheme shall be submitted along with the compliance report. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous tree species shall be planted.
- (iv) The State Forest Department shall take all necessary steps to ensure that no encroachment takes place in the identified degraded forest area for CA purpose.
- (v) Degraded forest land identified for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (vi) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value for the 15.594 ha forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the 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 Nos. 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995 and as per Ministry's guideline No. 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022.
- (vii) Additional amount of Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State

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- (xviii) The dug-out material / overburden shall be disposed outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area.
- (xix) The SFD shall erect signages along the roadside to alert and prevent wild animal collisions wherever the wildlife cross the roads.
- (xx) The layout plan/ design of the proposal shall not be changed by the UA without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- (xxi) The User Agency shall provide fire wood, preferably alternate fuel, to the labourer working at the site to avoid tree felling and damage to trees in adjoining forest area.
- (xxii) No labour camp shall be established inside the forest area and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourer & staff engaged in execution of road work do not cause any damage/disturbance to the nearby forest flora & fauna.
- (xxiii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 15.594 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.
- (xxiv) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of Government of India.
- (xxv) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
- (xxvi) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer of Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad 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.
- (xxvii) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the Act/Rules/ MoEF&CC Guideline F.No. 11-42/2017-FC dt 29/01/2018.
- (xxviii) The compliance report shall be uploaded on eportal (https://parivesh.nic.in/).

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- Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- (viii) All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<a href="https://parivesh.nic.in/">https://parivesh.nic.in/</a>).
- (ix) The User Agency shall endeavor to avoid felling of trees existing on the forest land proposed to be utilized to the extent possible. Wherever necessary, felling shall be carried out under the strict supervision of the DFO/ FDO concerned. The State Forest Department shall carryout translocation of all eligible trees (31cm to 90 cm GBH) in the adjoining forest area at the cost of the User Agency.
- (x) User Agency/SFD shall raise strip plantation on both sides of the road as per the IRC norms.
- (xi) Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas by the User Agency.
- (xii) The user agency shall provide suitable under/ over pass in Protected Area/ Forest Area to facilitate free movement of wildlife in consultation with the CCF Medak /CWLW.
- (xiii) The left-out portion of the old existing road where a deviation is taken in the new alignment shall be reclaimed, planted with native forestry tree species and handed over back to the forest department at the cost of User Agency.
- (xiv) Wildlife conservation/ mitigation plan is to be prepared for schedule 1 animals present in the adjoining forest area.
- (xv) The User Agency shall construct retaining walls/check walls wherever required in consultation with the DFO concerned, at the project cost.
- (xvi) Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not lead to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.
- (xvii) Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided in consultation with the SFD so as to stabilize the soil.

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After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 5 years.

Yours faithfully

(D. Manjunatha)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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