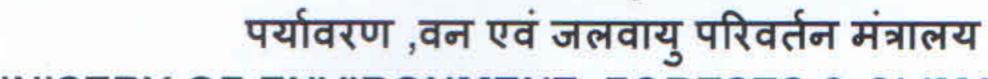
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To

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

Subject:

Diversion of 0.918 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 121 of Subramanya village, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District (Mangaluru) for establishing 1.5 MVA, 33/11 KV Substation in Subramanya in favour of the Executive Engineer (Elec.), O&M Division, MESCOM, Puttur Division, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE 65 FLL 2015 dated 19/12/2017 and 07/09/2019 seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section'2' of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above project.

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government, the Central Government hereby conveys the in-principle approval (Stage-I) for the diversion 0.918 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 121 of Subramanya village, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District (Mangaluru) for establishing 1.5 MVA, 33/11 KV Substation in Subramanya in favour of the Executive Engineer (Elec.), O&M Division, MESCOM, Puttur Division, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka, subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-

- 1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
- The boundary of the forest land to be diverted shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer before Stage-II approval.
- 3. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value for 0.918 ha. of forest area to be diverted under this proposal 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.
- 4. 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.

- 5. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred /deposited to CAMPA fund only through (<a href="https://parivesh.nic.in/">https://parivesh.nic.in/</a>).
- 6. The User Agency in consultation with the State Forest Department shall prepare a detailed scheme for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in right of way under the transmission line for the execution of the said scheme to the State Forest Department.
- 7. The User Agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.
- 8. The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter No. 7-25/2012-FC dated 05/05/2014 and 19/11/2014.
- Necessary certificates/documents under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act 2006 as per the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment & Forests vide letter No.11-9/1998-FC (Pt) dated 05.07.2013 shall be furnished before Stage-II clearance.
- 10. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- 11. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- 12. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- 13. The forest area shall be used for the purpose for which it is granted. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.918 ha.
- 14. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Government of India.
- 15. 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.
- 16. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/).
- 17. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.

Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC dated 29/01/2018. The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

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. The forest land shall not be transferred to the User Agency prior to the issue of final approval.

Yours sincerely,

(R. Padmawathe)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

## Copy to:-

- 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.
- 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.
- The Assistant Executive Engineer, Office of the Assistant Executive Engineer, MESCOM Sullia Subdivision, Dakshina Kannada, Karnataka -574 239.

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