

Government of Karnataka

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Karnataka Government Secretariat Multistoried Buildings, Bengaluru, Date: 27 -05-2021.

From:

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Ecology and Environment Department, Bengaluru-560001.

To:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), AranyaBhavan, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003

Sir,

Sub: Renewal of FC lease involving diversion of 1.00 hectare of forest land in Karnangeri Village Sy. No. 236/1, Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu District for already established 66/11 KV sub-station in favour of Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) though Executive Engineer (Electrical, TL&SS Division), Hootagally, FTS Compound, N.R. Mohalla, Mysore

Ref: Your Officer letter No. KFD/HoFF/A5-6(GFL)/3/2018-FC Dated:16-12-2019.

With reference to the subject and references cited above, I am directed to convey the in principle Stage-I approval under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Renewal of FC lease involving diversion of 1.00 hectare of forest land in Karnangeri Village Sy. No. 236/1, Madikeri Taluk, Kodagu District for already established 66/11 KV sub-station in favour of Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) though Executive Engineer (Electrical, TL&SS Division), Hootagally, FTS Compound, N.R. Mohalla, Mysore.subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:-

- 01. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged and it shall continue to be forest land.
- 02. The User Agency shall pay the applicable Net Present Value (NPV), cost of extraction of trees if any, land lease rent and any other levies as per the condition of approval.

- 03. The User Agency shall demarcate the lease area in the manner specified at the time of approval at its own cost.
- 104. The User Agency shall undertake avenue plantation along the proposal road at project cost.
- The lessee shall not sub-lease, mortgage & hypothecate the forest area.
- The leased out area should be used for the purpose for which it is granted. In case the land is not used for the stipulated purpose within one year or when it is no longer needed for the stipulated purpose, the area would stand resumed to the Forest Department.
- 07. The application for renewal of the lease in the prescribed form and manner shall be submitted at least six months prior to the expiry of forest lease. In case no renewal is sought, the Lessee shall hand over the leased forest land.
- 08. No residential (other than approved at the time of forest clearance) or commercial buildings shall be permitted in the forest area proposed for diversion.
- 09. No crushing/breaking of stones or labour camp shall be allowed inside forest area and all waste/debris generated shall be scientifically disposed off outside the forest area.
- Any damage to forest area because of implementation of the proposal shall be compensated by the lessee. The extent of damage shall be assessed by the jurisdictional Deputy Conservator of Forests/Conservator of Forests/Chief Conservator of Forests.
- 11. The lessee shall ensure that no avoidable harm is caused to the fauna and flora in and around the proposed area.
- 12. No change in Land Use Plan shall be done unless prior approval of Government of India under FC Act is obtained.
- 13. In case, any violation of the provisions of the Karnataka Forest Act,1963 & Rules,1969 or other relevant Acts/Rules is reported during the lease period, the lease will be liable for forfeiture under Section 82 of Karnataka Forest Act, 1963. The Chief Conservator of Forests and/ or Deputy Conservator of Forests concerned are authorized to take necessary action in this regard.
- 14. The approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to any other clearances necessary under the prevailing statues.
- 15 The User Agency shall also abide by other conditions those may be imposed by the Government of India, Government of Karnataka and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) before or after the approval.

- 16. 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.
- 17. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
- 18. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) and User Agency shall comply the provisions of all the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any for time being in force, as applicable to the project

Yours faithfully,

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Under Secretary to Government

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