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To

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

Subject: Diversion of 2.81 of Forest Land for Construction of testing facility in Gajulapet RF of Mahabubnagar Forest Division in favour of M/s HBL Power Systems Ltd., Hyderabad-Reg

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter no. Letter No. 1360/For.I(1)/2019 Dated 31.05.2023 and online Proposal No. FP/TG/IND/32903/2018 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for the diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2' of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above-mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal submitted by the State Government, I am to convey the Central Government's In-principle Approval (Stage-I) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 diversion of 2.81 of Forest Land for Construction of testing facility in Gajulapet RF of Mahabubnagar Forest Division in favour of M/s HBL Power Systems Ltd., Hyderabad, subject to the following conditions: -

1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Demarcation of the proposed forest area to be diverted shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters by the User Agency in consultation with the DFO concerned.
3. Compensatory afforestation to be taken up by the Forest Department over 2.873 of Non Forest Land identified in Sy.no.99/1 of Janampeta village, Moosapet Mandal in Mahbubnagar district at the cost of the user agency. A mixture of local indigenous forestry tree species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided.
4. The non-forest land identified for raising compensatory afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before issue of the 'Final' approval under the Adhiniyam
5. The non-forest land transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department or the revenue forest land, as the case may be, shall be notified by the State Government as RF/Protected Forests under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant section(s) of the local Forest Act, before issue of the 'Final' approval under the

Adhiniyam. The Nodal Officer shall report compliance in this regard along with a copy of the original notification declaring the non-forest land as RF/PF, along with compliance of 'in-principle' approval.

6. The User Agency shall construct a 10 feet high wall at the periphery of the proposed forest land.
7. The User Agency shall plant and maintain native tall tree species as sound barriers in 3 to 4 rows at the periphery of the proposed forest land and shall maintain these plants.
8. The identified CA area and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
9. The State Government shall realize the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the guidelines given in Chapter – 3 of the Consolidated Guidelines and Clarification issued by the Ministry in accordance with the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India's order dated 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 in the matter of T. N. Godavarman Thirumalpad vs. Union of India;
10. 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 be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
11. Compensatory levies, to be realized from the User Agency, in lieu of diversion of forest land, shall be transferred/ deposited, through e-payment module (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>) of PARIVESH, into the concerned account of State/UT CAMPA, managed by the National Authority (CAMPA);
12. As the proposal is for establishment of electronic explosive testing facility, mandatory approvals and precautions as per the prevailing statutes shall be taken up by the UA and monitored at regular intervals by the SFD as well as the Central Government. Further, the UA shall notify the DFO concerned prior to conduct of any explosive testing at least 24 Hr prior to testing.
13. User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees, if required, shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
14. The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required.
15. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
16. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
17. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
18. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
19. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
20. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 2.81 Ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
21. The State Government shall impose the precautionary measures as recommended by the Joint Inspection committee and monitor the implementation of the same.
22. Any other conditions that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change Regional Office, Chennai/Sub Office, Hyderabad (Central) 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;
23. The State Government, before issuing the final diversion order, shall ensure that the user agency has complied with all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules,

Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s), including compliance of Forest Rights Act, 2006, pertaining to this project, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project; and

24. The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office, Chennai/Sub Office, Hyderabad (Central) by the end of March every year regularly.
25. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.16 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of Comprehensive Guidelines of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter dated 29.12.2023.

After receipt of the compliance report on the fulfillment of the conditions stipulated above, the proposal shall be considered for final approval under section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. Transfer of forest land shall not be effected till final approval is granted by the Government in this regard. Further, it may also be noted that this in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issue of this letter by the Central Government. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions within 2 years, the in-principle approval shall be deemed to be null and void.

Yours faithfully,

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