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To

The Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Kerala, Forests & Wildlife (C) Department, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, PIN – 695 001.

Subject:

Diversion of 0.01866 ha. of deemed forest land for International Ship Repair Facility project of Cochin Shipyard Ltd., Kochi, Kerala - Reg.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No.1162813/C2/2017/F&WLD dated 20/02/2017 and 25/05/2017 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 of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's approval in-principle (Stage-I) under Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.01866 ha. of deemed forest land for International Ship Repair Facility project of Cochin Shipyard Ltd., Kochi, Kerala, for a period of 20 years, subject to the following conditions:-

- 1. The legal status of deemed forest land shall remain unchanged
- 2. The demarcation of the deemed forest area being diverted shall be carried out at the cost of User Agency, before Stage-II approval.
- 3. The cost of raising plantation of 10 times the number of trees to be felled shall be deposited by the user agency.
- 4. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted deemed forest land measuring 0.01866 ha. from 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.
- Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted deemed 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 User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.

- 6. The User Agency shall make online payment of cost of Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value with Adhoc- CAMPA through e-payment module of Forest Clearance portal- forestclearance.nic.in.
- 7. 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.
- 8. All other approvals required under different Acts shall be obtained before commencement of the project.
- 9. The total deemed forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.01866 ha.
- 10. Any other condition that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (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.
- 11. 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 fulfillment of the above conditions from the State Government, formal approval will be considered in this regard under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of five years. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after five years.

Yours sincerely,

(R. Padmawathe)

Deputy Conservator of Forests (Central)

## Copy to:-

1. The Director General of Forests & Special Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India, Agni Wing, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi - 110 003.

2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Deptt, Government of Kerala, 'Vanalakshmi', 1st Floor, Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram-695

014, Kerala.

3. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Special Afforestation) & Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Government of Kerala, 'Vanalakshmi', 1st Floor, Forest Headquarters, Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram, PIN- 695 014, Kerala.

4. The General Manager (Infra Projects), M/s. Cochin Shipyard Ltd, Administrative

Building, Perumanoor P.O, Kochi, Kerala PIN- 682 015.

5. Guard file.

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