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To.

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Revenue and Forest Department, Hutatma Raiguru Chowk Madam Cama Marg, Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400032.

Sub: Diversion of 0.7112 ha identified Private forest land for Construction of Bridge over Ramchandra Nalla, near Evershine Nagar to Marve Road in P/N Ward at Village Valnai, Ral. Borivali in Mumbai Suburban District in the state of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/ROAD/146738/2021)- in principle approval regarding. Sir.

Please refer to the Government of Maharashtra letter no.FLD-1124/C.R.-235/F-10 dated 13.01.2025 and online proposal No FP/MH/ROAD/146738/2021, seeking prior approval of the Central Government for re diversion of forest land in accordance with Section'2' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, for the above-mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal, I am directed to convey the Central Government's 'in-principle' approval for the part of the proposed forest area for diversion under Section'2' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinivam, 1980 for diversion of 0.7112 ha identified Private forest land for Construction of Bridge over Ramchandra Nalla, near Evershine Nagar to Marve Road in P/N Ward at Village Valnai, Ral. Borivali in Mumbai Suburban District in the state of Maharashtra under Section-2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 subject to the following conditions: -

- 1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged;
- 2. The boundary of the diverted forest land, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars. each inscribed with its serial number, forward and back bearing and distance from pillar to pillar;
- 3. The State Government shall realize cost towards raising of 100 numbers of trees from the User Agency
- 4. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 0.7112 ha. 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 and Ministry's auideline.

- 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;
- 6. All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/);
- 7. State Government, Maharashtra/ Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra shall ensure settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (No. 2 of 2007) before issuing an order for handing over of forest land or working permission to the User Agency as the case may be;
- 8. No tree felling shall be carried out in the diverted area. However, as the area proposed for diversion is a mangrove area, as reported by the State authorities, the User Agency may obtain permission from the Hon'ble High Court prior to commencement of the project work;
- 9. The User Agency shall obtain CRZ clearance, if required for the project;
- 10. The State / UA shall ensure all other approvals / permission under relevant rules / regulation, if any required prior to commencement of the project work.
- 11. Proper labour camps shall be constructed in the non-forest area and in any case, labour camp shall not be made within the RF area;
- 12. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable;
- 13. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel:
- 14. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for the transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;
- 15. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;
- 16. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.7112 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;
- 17. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to the all acts, rules, regulation and guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to the subject project;
- 18. Any other condition that the Regional Office, Nagpur 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;
- 19. In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the rules / guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;
- 20. The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online (https://parivesh.nic.in/).

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21. The State Government shall issue working permission only after ensuring compliance to all such condition (s) as per the provision of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023 and obtaining all clearance / approval from the all Acts, Rules, Regulation from the competent authorities.

After receipt of the Compliance report on the above conditions, the proposal will be considered to accord final approval. The in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of **2 years** from the date of issue of the same. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions within the stipulated period, this in-principle approval **shall be deemed to be null and void**;

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority, Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,

(Dayananda.N)
Technical Officer (Forestry)

Copy to:

 i. The IGF (RoHQ), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003 for information please

ii. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.

iii. User agency.

iv. Guard file.

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