



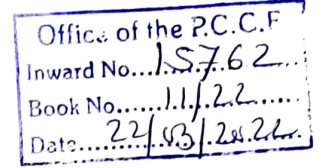
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No. 6-884-2021-22-FD/ 33

Dated: 22/03/2022

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To,
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Forest Department,
Government of Goa,
Goa Van-Bhawan, Altinho,
Panaji, Goa.



Sub:- Proposal for clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.2625 ha. of forest area for construction of road from water lake to Shantadurga temple at Panchami Khandepar in Ponda Taluka in favour of Executive Engineer, WD-XVIII (B/R), Public Work Department, Ponda, Goa.

Sir,

Kindly refer to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, & Dy. Conservator of Forest, Monitoring & Evaluation, Government of Goa compliance Note bearing No. 6-884-2021-22-FD/5041 dated 24/12/2021 seeking prior approval of the State Government under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, as delegated vide para no. 4.3.1 of the FCA, 1980 Handbook of the Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi, for the above project.

Upon careful examination of the compliance report of the proposal furnished by the Nodal officer, FCA, I am directed to convey the State Government approval in-principle (Stage-I) for diversion of 0.2625 ha. of forest area for construction of road from water lake to Shantadurga temple at Panchami Khandepar in Ponda Taluka in favour of Executive Engineer, WD-XVIII (B/R), Public Work Department, Ponda, Goa subject to the following conditions;

- I. The legal status of the forest shall remain unchanged.
- II. The demarcation of the forest area to be diverted shall be carried out by erecting cement concrete pillars duly number at interval of 20 meters at the cost of user agency.
- III. As there is no tree felling involved in the proposal the cost of plantation for planting of trees (minimum 100 plants) shall be levied from the user agency for Compensatory Afforestation based on proposal of DCF, the same shall be deposited by the User Agency.

- IV. The User Agency shall deposit the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land admeasuring 0.2625 ha. as per the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in I. A. No. 566 with related I. A. s. in Write Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forest, Govt. of India vide letter no. 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 in this regard.
- V. Additional amount of 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.
- VI. The funds from the User Agency towards Net Present Value and Compensatory Afforestation under this project shall be deposited to State CAMPA through e-payment module of forest clearance portal- www.parivesh.in
- VII. Necessary certificate / documents under the Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Right) Act, 2006 as per the guideline issued by Ministry of Environment & Forest shall be furnished.
- VIII. The total forest area to be utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.2625 ha.
- IX. Transfer of forest land shall not be affected till final approval is granted by the State Government
- X. Any other condition that the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Department, Government of Goa, may impose from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection or development of forest.

Yours faithfully,

(Sapna S. N. Bandodkar)
Under Secretary (Forest)

Copy to;

1. The Director General of Forests & Spl. Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003.
2. The Dy. Director General of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, Regional office, Southern Zone, Bangalore-560034.
3. The Nodal officer (FCA), O/o. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Goa Van Bhawan, Altinho, Panaji, Goa-403001.
4. The Executive Engineer, WD-XVIII (B/R), Public Work Department, Ponda, Goa.