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क्रमांक 6-एमपीआर 009/2022-बीएचओ/I|07|97 दिनांक : 29/04/2025.

प्रति.

प्रधान सचिव (वन) मध्यप्रदेश शासन, वल्लभ भवन, भोपाल ।

विषयः अनूपपुर जिले के अन्तर्गत वनमण्डल अनूपपुर में अमरकंटक ताप विद्धुत गृह चर्चाई में 1X660 मेगावाट सुपर क्रिटिकल इकाई की स्थापना-इकाई के उपसंगीय निर्माण कार्य हेतु 6.171 हेक्टेयर आरक्षित वनभूमि कार्यपालन अभियन्ता (सिविल) निर्माण संभाग-2 म.प्र. पावर जनरेटिंग कम्पनी लिमिटेड को उपयोग पर देने बाबत (FP/MP/THE/130772/2021)

Sir,

This refers to letter Nos. F-4/41/2022/10-11/996 dated 17/3/2022, 1646 dated 24/04/2023, 71 dated 03/01/2024, 2219 dated 24/4/24, 4032 dated 31/07/24 and 900 dated 13/03/2025 of PCCF/ APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

After due consideration of the proposal of the State Government and on the decision of Regional Empowered Committee in its 3rd meeting of 2025 on 02/04/2025 the "in-principle" approval of Central Government, is hereby conveyed for diversion of 6.171 ha Reserved Forest land for installation of 1X660 MW Super Critical Unit in place of outdated unit of PH-1 and PH-II at Amarkantak Thermal Power Station (ATPS), Chachai in favour of Executive Engineer (Civil), Construction Division-II in Anuppur District of Madhya Pradesh, subject to following conditions and stipulations:

- A: Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.
- (1) Cost of compensatory afforestation on 6.171 ha (out of 10.429 ha) CA non-forest land at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme (including the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars etc. as required for securing the land against encroachment) shall be deposited in advance with the State Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provisions for anticipated cost increase for the works scheduled for subsequent years.
- (2) Non-forest land shall be transferred and mutated in favour of State Forest department and documents shall be submitted.
- (3) The non-forest land which is transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation shall be declared as Reserved Forest under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian

- Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the State Forest Act. A copy of PF/RF notification shall be submitted in Stage-I compliance report.
- (4) The State Government shall charge Net Present Value (NPV) for the **6.171ha** forest area to be diverted under the proposal from the User Agency as per orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30/10/2002, 01/08/2003, 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No. 5-1/1998-FC (Pt.II) dated 18/09/2003, as well as letter No. 5-2/2006-FC dated 03/10/2006 and 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009, 5-3/2011-FC (Vol-II) dated 06/01/2022.
- (5) 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/).
- (6) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- (7) The complete layout of the project has been submitted by the Project Proponent with the proposal which shall not be changed in any manner without prior approval of the Govt. of India under provisions of FCA, 1980.
- (8) The State Govt. shall inform the current status of 3.731 ha of forest land which was allotted to the User Agency in the year 1967 along with documentary evidence.
- (9) The KML files of diverted area and CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details prior to Stage-II approval.
- (10) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of Comprehensive Guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.
- (11) The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/).
- B: Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the User Agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:
- (1) Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.

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(2) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over <u>6.171 ha</u> (out of 10.429 ha) non-forest land at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local native species shall be planted and monoculture of any species, especially non-native species shall be avoided. Details of CA are as follows:

No.	Survey No.	Village	Tehsil	District	Area proposed for plantation (ha)	Area proposed for fencing (ha)
1.	83,84,85,86 & 275	Chachai	Anuppur	Anuppur	6.171 ha (out of 10.429 ha)	6.171
TOTAL						6.171 Ha

- (3) 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 also be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- (4) User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to 530 numbers/any minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department or the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User

Agency with the State Forest Department and the State Forest Department shall undertake the fellings.

- (5) Boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per directions of the concerned Dy. Conservator of Forest.
- (6) Layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (7) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- (8) The User Agency shall provide alternate fuels preferably LPG to the labourers and staff working at the site so as to prevent any damage and pressure on the nearby forests.
- (9) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (10) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the project life.
- (11) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (12) The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (13) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of all the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and National Green Tribunal Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
- (14) Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forest & wildlife shall be submitted.

After receipt of the compliance report regarding fulfillment of the conditions as stipulated above, from the State Government, formal approval will be issued in this regard under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

This has been issued with the approval of competent authority.

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प्रतिलिपि-

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- 2. अपर प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक(भू-प्रबंध)एवं नोडल अधिकारी, वन भवन, तुलसीनगर, भोपाल ।
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