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To,

The Secretary to the Government of Andhra Pradesh,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Room No.268, 1st Floor, 4th Block,
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati Guntur District-522503

Subject: Diversion of 0.99 ha of forest land in Compt. No. 332, Rangapuram RF, Kurnool division for providing BT surface to the road from R. S. Rangapuram to Yaganti (via) Ambapuram Katikavanikunta of Betamcherla (M), Kurnool district in favour of Executive, Engineer, PRI, Kurnool.-reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. 1059/Section.II/2020 dated 23.02.2021 and online proposal No FP/AP/ROAD/36111/2018 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal I am to convey Central Government's in-principle (*Stage-I*) approval under Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.99 ha of forest land in Compt. No. 332, Rangapuram RF, Kurnool division for providing BT surface to the road from R. S. Rangapuram to Yaganti (via) Ambapuram Katikavanikunta of Betamcherla (M), Kurnool district in favour of Executive, Engineer, PRI, Kurnool, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) No tree felling shall be carried out in the diverted forest area;
- (iii) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring **0.99 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;
- (iv) 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 User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;

- (v) 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/>);
- (vi) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (vii) Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the user agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;
- (viii) The UA shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required by consulting the DFO concerned at the project cost;
- (ix) The construction of culverts/bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals;
- (x) Trees/Bushes standing in the diverted area shall be felled / cleared strictly as per requirement with prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned;
- (xi) The user agency shall arrange to raise avenue plantation and its maintenance all along the roadside at the project cost;
- (xii) Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO so as to stabilize the soil.
- (xiii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.99 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
- (xiv) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;

- (xv) User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
- (xvi) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada 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;
- (xvii) Compliance report on the above conditions shall be processed and submitted through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);
- (xviii) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the Ministry's guidelines.

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval will be revoked as per the provisions of rules / guidelines made under FCA, 1980.

Yours faithfully,



(N.S.Murali)

Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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