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To

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Subject: Diversion of 0.9714 ha of forest land in Yadadri Bhuvanagiri Division for establishment of APCO 25 tower for phase II network in Greater Hyderabad Police Commissionerate in favour of Commissioner of Police, Rachakonda Commissionerate-reg

Madam,

Please refer to the State Government letters Nos. 2464/For.I(1)/2020 dated 17.12.2020, 2464/For.I(1)/2020 dated 26.04.2022, 2464/For.I(1)/2021 dated 13.07.2022 and online proposal No. FP/TG/Others/42905/2019 seeking prior approval of the Government of India in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above-mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am hereby directed to convey the Central Government's *in-principle approval (Stage-I)* under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the diversion of **0.9714 ha** of forest land in Yadadri Bhuvanagiri Division for establishment of APCO 25 tower along with approach pathway for phase II network in Greater Hyderabad Police Commissionerate in favour of Commissioner of Police, Rachakonda Commissionerate, subject to the following conditions:-

- i. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- ii. Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters by the User Agency in consultation with the DFO. **No work shall be started by the user agency before the demarcation of the proposed forest area is completed.**
- iii. **Compensatory Afforestation:**
 1. The State Forest Department shall carry out Compensatory Afforestation (i.e., 15 trees to be felled X 10 times = 150 trees) in the identified degraded forest land over an extent of 0.375 ha of degraded forest area in Compt.No.230, Raigiri-II RF

of Yadadri range of Yadadri Bhuvanagiri division as per the CA scheme submitted at the cost of the User Agency.

iv. **Net Present Value**

1. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the forest land proposed to be diverted admeasuring **0.9714 ha** from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 30.10.2002, 01.08.2003, 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008, 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IAs in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guideline No. 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022.
 2. 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.
- 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. ***User agency shall erect chain link fence all along the outer boundary of the project area (APCO 25 tower). Approach road shall not be made as a bituminous/ black top road.***
- vii. The dug-out material / overburden shall be dumped outside the forest area. Storage of any material shall not be done in the forest area.
- viii. Tree felling shall be carried out wherever necessary under strict supervision of DFO concerned.
- ix. The User Agency shall ensure that **no** waste like plastic etc. shall be dumped in and around the forest area.
- x. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
- xi. The User Agency shall not establish any labour camp inside the forest area and it shall be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not cause any damage to the nearby forest flora & fauna.
- xii. **The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.9714 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.**



- xiii. 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.
- xiv. **No permanent residential building (s) shall be constructed in the diverted forest area.**
- xv. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance of provisions of all the 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, Hyderabad 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. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the prevailing Act/Rules in force.
- xviii. The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle (Stage-1) approval shall be valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this *in-principle* approval shall automatically stand revoked after 2 years.

Yours faithfully,



25.09.22

(Shri Kailash B. Bhawar, IFS)

Asst. Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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3. The Commissioner of Police, Rachakonda Police Commissionerate, Vayupuri Colony, Beside Malkajgiri Court Complex, Neredmet -500056 (inspr-rck-itc@tspolice.gov.in)
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