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दिनांक :

प्रति,

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

विषय: रतलाम जिले के अन्तर्गत कुआझांगर तालाब निर्माण हेतु 20.512 हेक्टेयर संरक्षित वनभूमि कार्यपालन यंत्रो, जल संसाधन सभाग रतलाम को उपयोग पर देने बाबत (FP/MP/IRRIG/150918/2022).

Sir,

This refers to letter No. F-3/103/2022/10-11/16/658 dated 30/01/2024, 3658 dated 12/07/2024, 16 dated 31/12/2024, letter No. F-3/397425/0024/16 dated 24/03/2025 and even letter dated 17/06/2025 PCCF/ APCCF(LM), 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 7<sup>th</sup> REC of 2025 meeting of 2025 on 08/07/2025, the “**in-principle**” approval of Central Government, is hereby conveyed for diversion of 20.512 ha Protected Forest land for construction of Kuanjhagar Tank Project in favour of Executive Engineer, Water Resources Division in Ratlam District of Madhya Pradesh, subject to the following conditions and stipulations.

**A: Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.**

- (1) The cost of compensatory afforestation on the **CA land 20.512 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 provision for anticipated cost increase for 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. Copy of PF/RF notification may be sent in Stage-I compliance report.*
- (4) *The User Agency shall ensure that area proposed for CA should be free from all encumbrances/ encroachment prior to mutation/ handing over to the State Forest Department.*

- (5) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the **20.512 ha** forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the order 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, 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 & 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022 in this regard.
- (6) The copy of approved Catchment Area Treatment (CAT) Plan shall be submitted in accordance to para no. 4.8(i) of F(C)Act, 1980 and deposit the requisite amount at the cost of the user agency in CAMPA.
- (7) **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/>).**
- (8) **The Project Proponent shall not use the forest area for the construction of approach access and as per the certificate provided in the proposal access within the FTL (Full Tank Level) will be used for transportation of the material in the area.**
- (9) **The State Govt. shall ensure that only indigenous plants will be planted in and around the catchment of the proposed reservoir while implementing the CAT plan activities in the area and the list of species to be planted shall be provided to the Regional Office.**
- (10) **The State Govt. shall ensure that distribution or pumping of water will be carried out at the tail end of the proposed tank and the forest area shall not use for construction of any structures like pumping station, pipeline, electric line etc. other than the component (Reservoir) proposed in the proposal.**
- (11) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- (12) 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.
- (13) 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.
- (14) 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.
- (2) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over **20.512 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 CAs are as follows :

S.No.	District	Tehsil	Village	Khasra No.	Area (Ha)
1.	Ratlam	Sailana	Kanser	118/2 & 118/3	20.512

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20.512 Ha</b>
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- (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) **No tree felling shall be involved in the implementation of this project.**
- (5) The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
- (6) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of 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 the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.
- (9) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the project life.
- (10) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (11) 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.
- (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 Central Government.
- (13) 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.

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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सहा. वनमहानिरीक्षक (केन्द्रीय)

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