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क्रमांक 6-एमपीआर 008/2022-बीएचओ/

दिनांक : 30/08/2023.

प्रति,

प्रधान सचिव (वन)

मध्यप्रदेश शासन,

वल्लभ भवन, भोपाल ।

विषय: डिण्डौरी एवं जबलपुर जिले में जबलपुर-कुण्डम-शाहपुरा-डिण्डौरी राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग-45 के चौड़ीकरण एवं बायपास निर्माण हेतु (पूर्व में प्रस्तावित 31.011 हे.) 12.956 हेक्टेयर (8.456 हे. डिण्डौरी वनमण्डल एवं 4.50 हे. जबलपुर वनमण्डल) वनभूमि कार्यपालन यंत्री, लोक निर्माण विभाग, राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग संभाग जबलपुर को उपयोग पर देने बाबत (Online Proposal No. FP/MP/ROAD/51129/2020)

Sir,

This refers to letter No. F-5/1105/2022/10-11/717 dated 02/03/22, even letter No. 3557 dated 18/10/22, 1719 dated 01/05/23, 2441 dated 09/06/23 and 3084 dated 11/07/2023 of PCCF(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 6th meeting of 2023 on 04/05/2023, the "in-principle approval" of Central Government, is hereby conveyed for diversion of 12.956 ha (8.456 ha in Dindori Forest Division & 4.50 ha in Jabalpur Forest Division) (Earlier proposed 31.011 ha) for upgradation and construction of Jabalpur-Kundam-Shahpura-Dindori Road (NH-45 Ext.) in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, National Highway Division in Dindori & Jabalpur Districts 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 the CA land **26.00 ha degraded-forest land** at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme (including 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) The State Government shall charge Net Present Value (NPV) for the **12.956 ha** forest area to be diverted under this 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, 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 & 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022 in this regard.

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- (3) All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited in CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- (4) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- (5) ***The User agency shall submit road side plantation scheme in consultation with the State Forest Department and the plantation shall be carried out by SFD at the cost of the User Agency.***
- (6) ***The User Agency shall submit an undertaking that no muck shall be disposed off in forest area.***
- (7) The KML files of diverted and CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details prior to Stage-II approval.
- (8) 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.
- (9) The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- (10) In case the working permission is granted by the State Forest Department, a copy of the same shall be submitted with compliance report of Stage-I approval.

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 **26.00 ha (out of 35.00 ha) degraded-forest land at Comptt. No. RF-82, Gram Van Samiti-Matwar Padriya, Forest Range- Katni, District-Katni** 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.
- (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 the enumerated **3136 numbers/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 State Forest Department shall undertake the fellings.
- (5) *Strip plantation shall be raised on both sides and central verge of the road as per the IRC norms.*
- (6) *Speed regulating signages will be erected all along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas.*
- (7) Boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost.
- (8) Layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (9) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.

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- (10) 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.
- (11) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (12) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the project life.
- (13) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (14) Speed regulating signages will be erected all along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas.
- (15) The User Agency shall provide suitable under/ over passes in Protected Area/ Forest Area as per recommendation of CWLW/ NBWL/FAC/ REC, if applicable.
- (16) 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.
- (17) 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.
- (18) 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.

भवदीय

[Signature] 30-8-23
(हरे राम कुमार)

तकनीकी अधिकारी(वानिकी)

प्रतिलिपि:

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2. प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक(भू-प्रबंध) एवं नोडल अधिकारी, वन विभाग, सतपुडा भवन, भोपाल ।
3. वनमण्डलाधिकारी, सामान्य वनमण्डल डिण्डौरी/ जबलपुर, मध्यप्रदेश ।
4. कार्यपालन यंत्री, लोक निर्माण विभाग, राष्ट्रीय राजमार्ग संभाग, जबलपुर, मध्यप्रदेश ।
5. आदेश पत्रावली ।

Signed by Hare Ram Kumar

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(हरे राम कुमार)

तकनीकी अधिकारी(वानिकी)