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To,

Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Chhattisgarh,
Forest Department, Mantralaya,
Mahanadi Bhavan, Nava Raipur, Atal Nagar (CG).

Sub: Diversion of 6.66 ha forest land in favour Tribal Development Kanker for Establishment of Eklavya Modern Residential School, under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 at Village- Anjani, Tehsil- Kanker, District North Baster Kanker in the State of Chhattisgarh-reg.

Sir,

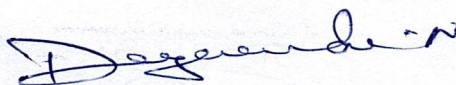
Kindly refer to the letter no क्रमांक/एफ -5-15/2022/10-2 dated 20.09.2022 of the State Government of Chhattisgarh, on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section -2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. After examination of the proposal of the State Government, 'In-principle' approval was accorded by the Central Government vide its letter dated 03.10.2022. The State Government of Chhattisgarh has submitted compliance report on conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' approval and requested for final approval of the proposal.

After examination of the compliance report submitted by the letter no. क्रमांक/एफ 5-15/2022/10-2 dated 09.12.2024 (Online compliance uploaded on PARIVESH portal dated 03/01/2025) of Government of Chhattisgarh and on the recommendation by the State Government, the Central Government hereby accords "**Final /Stage-II Approval**" under Section- 2 (i) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **6.66 ha** of forest land for non-forest purpose for **Establishment of Eklavya Modern Residential School at Village- Anjani, Tehsil- Kanker, District North Baster Kanker** in the state of Chhattisgarh, which is subject to the fulfilment of the following conditions:

- i. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- ii. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the State Forest Department in equal area of 6.66 ha revenue land in Dugurkondal range at khasra no. 66 in East Bhanuparatappur Forest Division, Kanker from the amount which has already been realized from the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided
- iii. The Non-Forest land/ Revenue land i.e. 6.66 ha revenue land in Dugurkondal range at khasra no. 66 in East Bhanuparatappur Forest Division, Kanker shall

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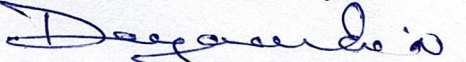
- be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department and shall be notified as RF under Section-4 or Protected Forests under section 29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant section(s) of the local Forest Act. The Nodal Officer shall report compliance in this regard along with a copy of **the original notification declaring the non-forest land as RF/PF, before handing over of forest land to the User Agency by the State Government.** The Nodal Officer, after notification of such non-forest lands, shall upload a copy of said notification on the PARIVESH portal
- iv. 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 be charged by the State Government from the User Agency
 - v. The State Government of Chhattisgarh/ Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department of Chhattisgarh shall ensure settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (No. 2 of 2007) before issuing an order for handing over of forest land to the User Agency as per the provision of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023;
 - vi. User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;
 - vii. The maximum number of trees in the proposal shall be kept intact. User Agency shall give an undertaking stating that plantation work will be carried out in the proposed area or school premises, as per availability of blank area;
 - viii. The proposal considered only site-specific projects on forest land, State Government must be find alternative land for non-site-specific future projects.
 - ix. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable;
 - x. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government;
 - xi. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;
 - xii. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;
 - xiii. 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 before commencement of the project work;
 - xiv. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;
 - xv. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less;
 - xvi. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;
 - xvii. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.



- xviii. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of VSSA, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline
- xix. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife;

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority, Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Nagpur

Yours faithfully,


(Dayananda.N)

Technical Officer (Forestry) 13/01/25

Copy to:-

1. The Inspector General of Forests (RoHQ), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003 for information please.
2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Chhattisgarh, AranyaBhawan, Sector-19, Nava Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
3. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh, Aryan Bhawan, Nawa Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
4. User agency.
5. Guard file



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