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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,
 Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,
 M.S.Building, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi,
 Bangalore – 560 001.

Subject: Diversion of 0.54 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 263, Alagilavada village, Sy.No. 381, Kadathi village and Sy.No. 202, Teligi village, Harapanahalli Taluk, Davangere District for laying of irrigation pipeline to fill 60 tanks with water drawn from Tungabhadra river in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Limited (KNNL), Bhadra Canal Division, Davangere -reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. FEE 27 FLL 2019 dated 02/01/2020 seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in respect of the above project. The in-principle (Stage-I) approval to the project was accorded by the Central Government vide letter of even number dated 29th January, 2020. The State Government vide letter No. FEE 27 FLL 2019 dated 30/01/2025 (submitted online on 11/02/2025), 05/12/2025 and 12/01/2026 has reported compliance to the conditions stipulated by the Central Government in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's final approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **0.54 ha.** of forest land in Sy.No. 263, Alagilavada village, Sy.No. 381, Kadathi village and Sy.No. 202, Teligi village, Harapanahalli Taluk, Davangere District for laying of irrigation pipeline to fill 60 tanks with water drawn from Tungabhadra river in favour of the Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Limited (KNNL), Bhadra Canal Division, Davangere, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. Tree felling shall be restricted to the barest minimum possible and under confirmation from the local forest officials.
4. The Compensatory Afforestation shall be carried out on land identified by the State Forest Department i.e. 1.08 ha in Sy. No. 7/B of Duggavati Village, Alagilwada RF Harapannalli Taluk within 2 years from grant of final approval at the cost of user agency. Planting will be carried out in one block for easy maintenance and monitoring.
5. The KML file of the area diverted and CA plantation (ten times the no. of trees to be felled) shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details.
6. 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.
7. Suitable Soil Moisture Conservation Measures shall be taken up 100 meters on either side of the reserve forest where the pipeline is passing through at the project cost in consultation with State Forest Department.
8. Tank foreshore plantation shall be taken up in all the designated tanks proposed for irrigation at the project cost by the User Agency and water should be provided free of cost for the State Forest Department usage for watering plantations and nurseries etc. if any, in the adjoining area.
9. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
10. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
11. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
12. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
13. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
14. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.54 ha.
15. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
16. 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.
17. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area.
18. The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Bengaluru by the end of March every year.
19. Any other condition that the Central Government may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.

20. The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
21. The State Govt. shall ensure that the complete compliance of FRA 2006 as per the rule 11 (7) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023.
22. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

Yours faithfully,

(Praneetha Paul)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Executive Officer, National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change, 3rd Floor (Front Portion), Supreme Court Metro Station Building (Line-3), New Delhi-110 001.
2. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ Division), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA) /Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
5. The Chief Executive Officer, State CAMPA, office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
6. The Executive Engineer, Karnataka Neeravari Nigam Limited (KNNL), Bhadra Canal Division, No. 5, Bhadra Canal Office, Hadadi Road, Davangere -577 005.
7. Guard file.