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To

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

**Subject: Diversion of 0.98 ha. of forest land in F.Sy. No. 1492A/A1, Gokarna village Gokarna Hobli, Kumta Taluk, Uttara Kannada District (Honnavar Forest Division) for establishment of Solid and Liquid Waste Disposal Unit in favour of the Panchayath Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Gokarna. (Online Proposal No. FP/KA/Others/36295/2018) -reg**

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letters No. No. FEE 04 FLL 2021 (e) dated 02/02/2021 and 06/01/2022 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 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2022. The State Government vide letter No. FEE 04 FLL 2021 (e) dated 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 **0.98 ha.** of forest land in F.Sy. No. 1492A/A1, Gokarna village Gokarna Hobli, Kumta Taluk, Uttara Kannada District (Honnavar Forest Division) for establishment of Solid and Liquid Waste Disposal Unit in favour of the Panchayath Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Gokarna, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The shall ensure that 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. The State Government shall ensure to upload the KML file of the forest area diverted and CA plantation (ten times no. of trees to be felled) on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details.
4. Compensatory Afforestation shall be carried out on land identified by the State Forest Department i.e. 1.00 ha of Gokarna in F.Sy.No.1269 of Hiregutti Range 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. 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.
6. A Monitoring Committee shall be constituted comprising of Assistant Conservator of Forest having jurisdiction as Chairman, jurisdictional Tahsildar and Panchayat Development Officer (PDO) as Members, to monitor the project with following terms of reference;
  - i. The committee shall ensure that all the stipulated conditions are complied with and surrounding forest area is not utilized for dumping of waste.
  - ii. The committee shall ensure that there is no adverse impact of the project on the surrounding forest area.
  - iii. In case of violation, the Committee and State Forest Department shall take necessary action and report the violation to IRO, MoEF&CC, Bengaluru
  - iv. The monitoring committee shall submit six monthly report to IRO, MoEF&CC Bengaluru.
7. The user agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 and EIA notifications issued thereunder.
8. Tree felling shall be restricted to the barest minimum possible and under confirmation from the local forest officials.
9. 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.
10. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
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 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. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
15. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
16. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.98 ha.
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,

**(Yasodha K)**

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, 18<sup>th</sup> Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) /Nodal Officer (VSESA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18<sup>th</sup> 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, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
6. The Panchayath Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Gokarna, Kumta Taluk, Uttara Kannada -581 326.
7. Guard file.