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To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Revenue and Forest Department,
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
Madam Cama Marg
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400032.

Sub: Diversion of 0.148 ha Reserved Forest in favour of Hirschvogel Components India Pvt. Ltd., Ranjangaon, Pune for laying underground 22 KV, 400 mm H.T. Cable Electric line for supply of electricity from Village Koregaon Bhima to Sanaswadi in Tal. Shirur, District Pune in the State of Maharashtra - Regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to State Government vide its letter No. FLD-1918/C.R.265/F-10 dated 27.11.2018 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter No. Desk-17/NC/II/ID 12609/(17)/1151/2018-19 dated 04.09.2018 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of **Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980**. After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government, '**in-principle**' approval was accorded by the Central Government vide its letter of even number dated 07.01.2019. and the Government of Maharashtra letter submitted compliance report through online on **04.01.2024** and requested to accord final approval;

After careful consideration of the proposal and compliance report. I am directed to convey the Central Government's '**final approval**' under Section- 2 of the **Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980** for diversion of **0.148 ha** Reserved Forest in favour of Hirschvogel Components India Pvt. Ltd., Ranjangaon, Pune for laying underground 22 KV, 400 mm H.T. Cable Electric line for supply of electricity from Village Koregaon Bhima to Sanaswadi in Tal. Shirur, District Pune in the State of Maharashtra subject to the fulfilment of the following conditions:

- Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;

- ii. The State Forest Department shall ensure demarcation of the boundary of the diverted forest land by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, forward and back bearing **at the cost of the User Agency**;
- iii. The State Forest Department shall undertake plantation of 10 times number of trees to be felled over degraded forest land as compensatory afforestation, in lieu of forest land being diverted **from the amount which has already been realized from the User Agency**;
- iv. The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation, at the current wage rate, to the designated CAMPA account. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;
- v. 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;
- vi. The State Government, Maharashtra/ Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra 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;
- vii. The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;
- viii. The User agency, if required, will undertake comprehensive soil conservation measures at the project cost in consultation with the State Forest Department;
- ix. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;
- x. The User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;
- xi. Stacking of dug out soil shall be undertaken within the RoW proposed and under no circumstances, forest land other than being sought for diversion, shall be used for stacking of soil;
- xii. The cable electric line will be laid well below the ground level as per norms all along its length through forest;
- xiii. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal and **area shall not exceed 0.148 ha**;
- xiv. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- xv. 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;
- xvi. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;
- xvii. Any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;
- xviii. The User Agency in consultation with the State Government shall create and maintain alternate habitat/home for the avifauna, whose nesting trees are to be cleared in this project. Bird's nests artificially made out of eco-friendly material shall be used in the area, including forest area and human settlements, adjoining the forest area being diverted for the project;

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- xix. The User Agency shall submit six monthly self-compliance reports as on 1st January and 1st July of every year to this office as well as to the Nodal Officer of the State;
- xx. The State Government shall monitor compliance of conditions of Forest Clearance and shall submit in this regard yearly report as on 31st December of every year;
- xxi. Any other condition that the concerned Regional Office of this Ministry may stipulate, from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife;
- xxii. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of **Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980** and action would be taken as per the provision of **Adhiniyam** and rules/guidelines issued there under
- xxiii. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines and Court/ Tribunal directions for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;
- xxiv. 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 order issues with the approval of DDGF(C), Regional Office, MoEF& CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,



(Chitranjan Kumar Sonwane)
DIGF (Central)

Copy to:

1. The IGF (RoHQ), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003.
2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
3. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
4. User agency.
5. Guard file.



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