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क्रमांक 6-एमपीबी070/2020-बीएचओ/106431 दिनांक: 19/04/2025.

प्रति,

प्रधान सचिव (वन)
मध्यप्रदेश शासन,
वल्लभ भवन, भोपाल ।

विषय: जबलपुर जिले में विपश्यना ट्रस्ट के साधना केन्द्र तक पहुंच मार्ग के निर्माण हेतु 0.105 हेक्टेयर वनभूमि मेसर्स विपश्यना ट्रस्ट, जबलपुर को उपयोग पर देने बाबत (FP/MP/ROAD/36650/2018) ।

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the APCCF (LM) and Nodal Officer, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh letter No. F-5/966/2020/10-11/3717 dated 04/11/2020, wherein prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for diversion of 0.105 ha forest land for construction of approach road to Vipassana Meditation Centre in favour of M/s Vipassana Trust, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh, was sought in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. After due consideration of the proposal of the State Government, the 'in-principle' approval of the Central Government for diversion of the said forest land was accorded vide this officeletter dated 10/05/2021 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. The APCCF (LM), Govt. of Madhya Pradesh vide their letter No.F-5/966/2020/10-11/827 dated 06/03/2025 have furnished compliance report in respect of the relevant conditions stipulated in the in-principal approval for grant of final approval.

In this connection, on the basis of the compliance report under reference and confirmation of receipt of compensatory levies from National Authority of CAMPA dated 03/08/2021 the **final approval** of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is hereby accorded for diversion of 0.105 ha forest land for construction of approach road to Vipassana Meditation Centre in favour of M/s Vipassana Trust, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh, subject to the following conditions and stipulations:-

- (1) Legal status of the forest land diverted shall remain unchanged.
- (2) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over **0.21 ha degraded-forest land (Nagar Nigam- Jabalpur, Tehsil- Jabalpur, District- Jabalpur)** 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) The State Government shall ensure that compliance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 has

been completed in accordance with the relevant Rules and Guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC, GoI in this regard.

- (4) User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees up to **10 enumerated numbers or any minimum number** in the diverted forest land and they 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 the State Forest Department shall undertake the fellings.
- (5) ***Backlog of CA shall be cleared in this plantation season and a report submitted to this office.***
- (6) The User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- (7) Boundary of the diverted forest land shall be demarcated on the ground at the project cost, as per directions of the concerned DFO.
- (8) Layout plan of the proposed diversion of the forest land shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (9) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for execution of the project work.
- (10) No labour camp shall be established inside the forest land.
- (11) 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.
- (12) The diverted forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (13) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the project life.
- (14) The diverted forest land shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (15) The User Agency shall provide suitable under/ over passes in Protected / Forest Area as per recommendation of the CWLW/ NBWL, 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) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F. No. 11-42/2017-FC dt 29/01/2018.
- (18) ***All the conditions of Stage-I approval dated 10/05/2021 shall be strictly complied.***
- (19) 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 forests and wildlife.

As has been mentioned at Para-2 of the Stage-II approval, this approval for diversion of forest land is subject to fulfillment of the stipulated conditions mentioned in this approval letter. Therefore, in the event of non-compliance of any of the conditions laid out in this approval letter, the Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may withdraw the said approval for diversion of the forest land and stop all the non-forestry activities being carried out in the forest land besides initiating legal action as per provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

This has been issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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सहा. वन महानिरीक्षक (केन्द्रीय)

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