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F.No. 4-APB038/2017-CHN/376

Date: 11th June, 2024

To

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government of Andhra Pradesh,  
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,  
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Room No.268, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 4<sup>th</sup> Block,  
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati Guntur  
District- 522503.

**Subject:** Diversion of 0.941 ha of forest land in Compt.No.132 of Mangalagiri Block in Tadepalli RF for formation of new road from NH-16 AIIMS site, in favour of Executive Engineer, (R&B) Division, Guntur -reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. 2098/Section-II/2017 dated 08.06.2017 and online proposal No. FP/AP/ROAD/26141/2017 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for the above project. The project was accorded in-principle approval by the Central Government vide letter F.No.4-APB038/2017-CHN/0951 dated 20.06.2017. The State Government vide letter No. No. 2098/Section-II/2017/1823498 dated: 02.09.2022 and 17.05.2024 have reported compliance to the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey the Central Government's final approval under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **0.941 ha** of forest land in Compt.No.132 of Mangalagiri Block in Tadepalli RF for formation of new road from NH-16 AIIMS site, in favour of Executive Engineer, (R&B) Division, Guntur, subject to the following conditions.

- Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency.
- State Forest Department shall raise and maintain two times the trees to be felled in the proposed forest land for diversion in nearby degraded forest land at the cost of the user agency.
- 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.

- v. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- vi. No additional / new path shall be made during execution of the project.
- vii. The user agency shall dig trenches on either side of the road in order to avoid any further encroachments on the road side.
- viii. The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the Environment (Protection) Act 1986, if applicable to such road projects.
- ix. The User Agency shall construct retaining walls and check walls wherever required, by consulting the DFO concerned, at the project cost.
- x. Construction of culverts / bridges, if any, over the natural streams/rivers/canals shall be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to waterlogging, and also does not hamper movement of wild animals.
- xi. Trees/Bushes standing in the diverted area shall be felled / cleared strictly as per requirement with prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned.
- xii. The user agency shall arrange to raise avenue plantation all along the roadside at the project cost with maintenance of 7-10 years.
- xiii. Roadside cuttings and fillings which require engineering support shall be provided as per the instructions of the DFO so as to stabilize the soil.
- xiv. The State Forest Department shall translocate the trees, wherever feasible instead of felling at the cost of user agency.
- xv. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.941 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
- xvi. The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- xvii. The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation as mentioned by the DFO Guntur Division in 51 No 12(v) (a) & (b) of part II i.e 591.945ha forest land and 68.382ha of non forest land shall be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in the web portal.
- xviii. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
- xix. Any other conditions that the Central Government may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency.
- xx. The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with.
- xxi. 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,

**(Balaji Kari)**

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Inspector General of Forests, ROHQ Division, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110 003 for information.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department & HoFF, AP Forest Department, Aranya Bhavan, P.V.S. Land Mark, Ground Floor, Opposite to IHC Corporate, Industrial Park, Mangalagiri, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh-522503
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Aranya Bhavan, P.V.S. Land Mark, Ground Floor, Opposite to IHC Corporate, Industrial Park, Mangalagiri, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh-522503
4. The Executive Engineer, R& B Division, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh-522003.
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