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To

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

Subject: Diversion of 0.40 ha. of forest land falling in Compartment No. 114 of Tirupati Extension-A RF and Compartment No. 56 of Nagapatla RF, Tirupati WL Division for laying additional pipeline from Stage-I to Stage-2 along the road from Srinivasamangapuram to Srivarimettu in favour of Executive Engineer, TTD, Tirumala -reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letters Nos. 1058/Section.II/2022/(1714244) dated 11.05.2022 and 1058/Section.II/2022/(1714244) dated 25.11.2022 and online application No. FP/AP/Pipeline/141032/2021 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 mentioned project. The project was accorded in-principle approval by the Central Government vide letter F.No.4-APB174/2022-VIJ/729 dated 29.11.2022. The State Government vide letter No. 1058/Section.II/2022/1714244 Dated: 05.11.2024 has 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 **0.40 ha.** of forest land falling in Compartment No. 114 of Tirupati Extension-A RF and Compartment No. 56 of Nagapatla RF, Tirupati WL Division for laying additional pipeline from Stage-I to Stage-2 along the road from Srinivasamangapuram to Srivarimettu in favour of Executive Engineer, TTD, Tirumala, subject to the following conditions.

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;

- (ii) 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;
- (iii) The State Government shall carryout plantation and its maintenance of 100 numbers of trees in the degraded forest land identified in Compartment No. 189 of Yerpedu RF of Chintalapalem beat in Srikalahasthi Range.;
- (iv) 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 muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas;
- (vi) No Tree felling in the proposed forest area shall be carried;
- (vii) The conditions stipulated by SBWL shall be strictly complied with;
- (viii) 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;
- (ix) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (x) Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the labourers& staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby flora & fauna;
- (xi) The total forest area to be utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.40** ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;

- (xii) 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;
- (xiii) 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;
- (xiv) 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;
- (xv) 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,

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(Balaji Kari)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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