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Date: 18.11.2021

To,

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

Sub: Diversion of 2.9046 ha Reserved Forest land in favour of Maharashtra Jeevan Pradhikaran Division, Yavamal for installation of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) & Sewerages in Village- Pimpalgaon, Wadgaon road and Umarsara, District- Yavatmal in the State of Maharashtra– Regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to APCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter no. Desk-17/NC/I/ID-/86/20-21 dated 28.04.2021 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section – 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 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 18.05.2021. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra has now submitted a report on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' approval and requested the State Government to grant final approval to the proposal.

In this connection, I am directed to say that on the basis of compliance report submitted by the Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra's letter no. Desk-17/Nodal/Yavatmal/ID-12885(1)/1442/2020-21 dated 08.11.2021, the Central Government hereby accords 'final approval' under Section – 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 2.9046 ha Reserved Forest land in favour of Maharashtra Jeevan Pradhikaran Division, Yavamal for installation of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) & Sewerages in Village- Pimpalgaon, Wadgaon road and Umarsara, District- Yavatmal in the State of Maharashtra subject to following conditions:

- i. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;
- ii. Forest land will be handed over only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over by the user agency to the State Forest Department;
- iii. **Compensatory afforestation:**
 - a. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 3.00 ha non-forest land in Gut. No. 63 at Village– Nanza, Taluka- Kalamb, Dist- Yavatmal. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species along with 10% RET species of Yavatmal District shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided;
- iv. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector;
- v. The pipeline shall be laid down 1.5 meter below the ground and after lying down of pipe line the ground will be levelled;
- vi. To improve the Forest/ Tree cover and to reduce pollution, as mandated in National Forest Policy, 1988 and Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 respectively, the User

Agency shall develop a separate nursery at one or more places to raise at least 3500 seedlings of forestry species along with bamboo, fruit bearing, medicinal, ornamental and indigenous/local every year. At least 50% of seedlings shall be planted by User Agency in the vicinity of project area including forest area and for hand holding with local people residing in vicinity of proposed road, User Agency shall voluntarily distribute remaining 50% of seedlings to them free of cost. A compliance report including species wise details of seedlings raised, location of plantation area and details of villagers whom seedlings have been distributed need to be prepared every six month and submitted to Regional Office of MoEF&CC;

- vii. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable;
- viii. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government;
- ix. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;
- x. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;
- xi. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer;
- xii. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;
- xiii. 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;
- xiv. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;
- xv. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;
- xvi. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of 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;
- xvii. 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 issues with the approval of Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office (WCZ), MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,



(N.K. Dimri)

Technical Officer (Gr. I)

Copy to:

- i. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- iii. User agency.
- iv. Guard file.



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