## Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj New Delhi: 1100 03, Dated: 3rd January, 2024

To.

The Dy. Director General of Forests (Central),

Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Nagpur.

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of Water Resources Department, Raigad, Maharashtra for non-forestry use of 263.5406 ha. forest land for construction of Sambarkund Irrigation Project at Village Mahan, Taluka Alibag, District Raigad in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/IRRIG/142819/2021).-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to Government of Maharashtra's letter No. FLD-2022/C.R.294/F-10 dated 18.11.2022 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and to request that the Regional Office, Nagpur of this Ministry may kindly inspect the forest area proposed for diversion and land identified for Compensatory Afforestation (CA) and submit a detailed site inspection report (SIR) to this Ministry for further necessary action, at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(Suneet Bhardwaj) Assistant Inspector General of Forests

## Copy to:-

- 1. Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai.
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- 3. APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi, for uploading.