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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,

Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003 Dated: As per E-sign

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai.

Subject: Proposal for seeking ex-post facto approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 3.36 ha Forest land in favour of National Highway Authority of India Solapur, for four laning of Pune-Solapur section of NH-9 in Km 144/400 to Km 249/000 at Village Pakhani, Chikhali, Hivare, Dist. Solapur in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/ROAD/42876/2019) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra letter No. FLD-2223/CR238/F-10 dated 24.08.2023 forwarding a proposal to obtain ex-post facto approval of the Central Government, in terms of the Section-2 (1) (ii) Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, and to say that the said proposal was placed before the Advisory Committee (AC) in its meeting held on 23.09.2024. The minutes of the meeting of the AC may kindly be seen at *www.parivesh.nic.in*.

After detailed deliberation on the matter, the Committee deferred the proposal for want of following information:

i. The recommendation of the SCNBWL for the use of forest land for the construction of the proposed road within the Wildlife Sanctuary shall be submitted.

Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above-mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Signed by Suneet Bhardwaj Date: 03-10-2024 15:44:31

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

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