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Date: 22.10.2018

To,

The Secretary (Forests),
Revenue and Forest Department,
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
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Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400032.

Sub: Diversion of 3.00 Ha Protected Forest Land in favour of Shri. Malhar Minerals, Kolhapur for Laterite Mining at Gut No. 921 at Village - Ambarde, Tal. Shahuwadi in District Kolhapur in the State of Maharashtra - Regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to State Government, Maharashtra FLD-2317/C.R.232/F-10 dated 25.09.2018 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter No. Desk-17/NC/I.I.D- /589/17-18 dated 03.06.2017 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that preliminary scrutiny of the proposal in the Regional Office (WCZ), MoEF&CC revealed following:

- i. Though it is certified that area is not within 10 Km of any Protected Area, Maps viz., 10 Km radius map showing PA's and Protected area Distance Map is not submitted along with the proposal.
- ii. Part- II has been wrongly uploaded in the web-portal.
- iii. Date of submission is not mentioned in Part- IV.
- iv. Details of facts as contained in the Part- II of the proposal viz. Topography of the area, Geology, Slope to erosion and Soil depth/Vulnerability to erosion are not mentioned.
- v. Differential GPS map along with co-ordinates for CA land is not submitted.
- vi. Though it is mentioned that employment for 500 people will be generated, information on employment potential likely to be generated in terms of Skilled, Semi-skilled and Unskilled persons/ mandays by implementation of the project is not mentioned properly.
- vii. Details on progressive CA done till date in the Division is not by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Kolhapur in his Part- II. Revised Part- II may be submitted by the DCF concerned.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to submit information on the shortcomings, as indicated above, to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours faithfully,



(Dr. E Arockia Lenin)

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Copy to:

- i. The PCCF, 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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