

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE

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F.No. FC-I/MH-348/2023-NGP /12354

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

Sub: Diversion of 0.34 ha. Forest land for rehabilitation and up-gradation of Nagpur-Warud National Highway (NH-353J) for existing Km 60+100 (End of Katol bypass) to (Warud up to Joint Junction) to two lane with Paved shoulder in Villages- Paradsinga and Bharsingi, Taluka- Katol and Narkhed, District- Nagpur in the State of

Maharashtra- regarding.

Sir.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Government of Maharashtra letter no FLD-3423/CR-201/F-10 dated 20.07.2023 which was received physically in this office on 04.08.2023 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Nagpur/I.D.13757/585/23-24 dated 25.05.2023 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, MoEF&CC revealed following:

- i. Maps viz. 10 Km radius map showing PA's and Village map is not submitted along with the proposal. Maps certified by DCF concerned needs to be submitted.
- ii. Differential GPS map of area proposed for diversion submitted along with the proposal is not certified by DCF concerned. Certified map needs to be submitted.
- iii. Details of realignment, if any, in forest land and structures proposed in alignment is not submitted along with the proposal. The same needs to be submitted.
- iv. Details of employment potential in terms of man days of skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided. The same needs to be provided.

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.

This is issued with the approval of competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

(Karthik, M.L)

Technical Officer (Gr. II)

Copy to:

i. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.

ii. User Agency.

iii. Guard file.

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