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No: B4/FCA/QRY/CR-25/2017-18

Dated: 28-10-2025

To,

Sri. Rajesh R. Naik,
Proprietor, Sairam Enterprises,
Gaongeri,
Post: Majali,,
Karwar

Sir,

SUB: Diversion of 0.4928 ha., of forest land in Forest Sy.No. 215A1A of Arav village, Gopshitta Range, Karwar Division, in favour of Sri. Rajesh R.Naik, Proprietor, Sairam Enterprises, Gaongeri, Post: Majali,, Karwar taluk, Uttar Kannada District for building stone quarry and approach road reg.

- REF:1) Govt. of India's letter dated: 23-08-2025
2) Govt. of Karnataka's letter No: FEE-56-FFM-2021 dated:28-08-2025
3) Chief Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle, Sirsi's letter No:B2/GFL/CR-4/2021-22 dated: 17-10-2025
4) This office letter even No. dated: 03-01-2025

With reference to above this office has submitted reply to Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer, (FCA), Bengaluru through proper channel vide this office letter cited at reference (4). Again the Govt. of India have examined the proposal and sought shortcoming observation. (Copy enclosed)

Therefore you have to submit the information through FC web portal as well as hard copy to this office immediately for onward submission.

The FC web portal link is hereby transferred to your login for further action.

Yours faithfully,


Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Karwar Division, Karwar.

Copy to the Assistance Conservator of Forests, Karwar Sub division Karwar and Range Forest Officer, Gopshitta for information

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan
Aliganj, Jor bagh Road
New Delhi- 110003

Dated:23-08-2025

To

The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests)
Department of Environment, Forest and Wildlife
Government of Karnataka
Bangalore.

Sub: Diversion of 0.4928 ha. of forest land in Sy. No. 215A1A, Arav village, Savanthawada Hobli, Karwar Taluk, Uttara Kannada District for establishment of Building Stone Quarry and its approach road in favour of M/s. Sai Ram Enterprises, Gaonger, Majali, Karwar.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to Government of Karnataka dated 30.06.2025 on the above mentioned subject, seeking approval of Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. In this regard after examination of the proposal in the Ministry, the following shortcoming is observed:

- i. As per the State Government, a temporary working permission was given by the then Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle vide letter dated 20-12-1994. The State shall provide a detailed action taken report on the breaking of forest land without prior approval of the Government of India.
- ii. The State shall provide proper justification of opening a new mine in compliance of Para 7.8 of Chapter 7 of the Consolidated guidelines, 2023 pertaining to general guidelines for mining proposal.
- iii. The proposed forest area falls under Not-in High Conservation Value (HCV) Zone as per Decision Rule 1. However, as per Decision Rule 2, out of 2 GRIDS (size: 1km x 1km) one GRID is having score more than 70. Moreover, the major part of the proposed forest area falls in the GRID which is having score more than 70 which is a GRID with High Conservation Value (DSS Report Enclosed). In this regard the comments of the State Govt. shall be provided.
- iv. The details of the Safety zone along the mining area is not available. The same shall be provided. Revised KML may be submitted in this regard.
- v. The proposed forest area for diversion is located at an approx. aerial distance of 3.57 km from Cotigaon Wildlife Sanctuary (Goa). The comments of the CWLW Karnataka from the conservation point of view shall be provided.
- vi. The area proposed for diversion is less than 1 ha and therefore CA is not

applicable. However, as per the Rule 13 (5) of the Consolidated Guidelines 2023, an undertaking that a plantation of minimum no. of 100 plants shall be carried out needs to be submitted by the State Government.

2. In view of the above, the Government of Karnataka is requested to submit the information/documents, as indicated above, for further consideration of the proposal in the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

Encl; As above

Sd/-

(S. Sundar)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. The DDGF (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore, MoEF&CC, GoI.
3. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Karnataka.
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF& CC, New Delhi.
5. User Agency.