

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

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

Sub: Diversion of 0.1920 ha Reserved Forest Land in favour of Maharashtra Jeevan Pradhikaran, Division- I, Pune for laying of underground drinking water pipeline under Regional Rural, Water Supply scheme for Gar, Sonawadi & Nanveej Villages of Daund Tehsil, Dist. Pune in the State of Maharashtra- regarding.

Sir.

The undersigned is directed to refer to APCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra vide letter no. Desk-17/Nodal/Pune/I.D-12883/943/2021-22 dated 09.09.2021 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 Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC revealed following:

- i. In area calculation statement submitted by the User Agency, width of 0.6 mtrs has been proposed, whereas, in area calculation statement mentioned in the covering letter of Nodal Officer, width varying from 0.6 to 10.00 mtrs has been proposed. Exact width required for the proposed line shall be mentioned.
- ii. Further, in area calculation statement mentioned in the covering letter of Nodal Officer, Sur/ Gut. No.'s 1202 is not mentioned, whereas in area calculation statement submitted by User Agency, Sur/ Gut. No. 1202 (0.020286 ha) is proposed for diversion. Correct details along with Sur/ Gut. No's shall be submitted.
- iii. Only two alternative alignments has been examined by User Agency/ DCF, Pune. Minimum three alternatives should have been explored and among them most suitable alignment should have been selected. Therefore, details of three alternative alignments explored, Justification for selecting the proposed alternative and Reasons for discarding other alternatives shall be submitted along with KML file and map in suitable scale duly signed by concerned DCF.
- iv. Cross sectional map of the proposed line is not submitted along with the proposal. The same shall be submitted.
- v. DCF, Buldhana has mentioned in his Part- II that proposed area is 9.3 km from boundary of Mayureshwar Supe Wildlife Sanctuary. Certificate for the same is not submitted by DCF concerned along with the proposal. The same needs to be submitted.
- vi. DCF, Buldhana has mentioned in his Part- II that there is No violations of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Certificate for the same is not submitted by DCF concerned along with the proposal. The same needs to be submitted.

- vii. Certificate ensuring importance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 is not submitted along with the proposal. Original FRA- 2006 certificate along with documentary evidences in the form of copies of the resolutions of the concerned Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) recording their consent for the proposal and bearing signature of the participants shall be submitted. In addition to this, English translated copies of record of proceedings of the Forest Rights Committee, Sub Divisional Level Committee(s) may also be submitted.
- viii. 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 by the State Government.

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 issues with the approval of Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,

(Karthik, M.L)

Technical Officer (Gr. II)

Copy to:

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

ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.

iii. User agency.

iv. Guard file.

-Sd -(Karthik, M.L)

Technical Officer (Gr. II)