1/56666/2023



## भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE

क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय

REGIONAL OFFICE Kendriya Sadan, IVth Floor, E& F Wings,

17<sup>th</sup> Main Road,Ind Block, Koramangala, Bangalore – 560 034.Tel.No.080-25635912,

E.Mail: rosz.bng-mef@nic.in





F. No.4-KRC1400/2022-BAN 2920 Dated the 30th October, 2023

Ist November, 2023

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Karnataka, Forests, Environment & Ecology Department, M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore – 560 001

Sub: Diversion of 18.844 ha. of forest land in Hosanagara Taluk, Shimoga District (Sagar Forest Division) for construction of 2 lane with paved shoulder road from KM 55.6-Adagodi to KM 90.7-Mavinakoppa of NH 766C with 4 major bridges across Sharavathi Backwaters in favour of Executive Engineer, NH Division, Public Works Department, Shimoga-reg.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to State Government letter No. FEE130FLL2022 (e) dated 09.10.2023 on the subject mentioned above. In this regard, it is informed that on examination of the additional information furnished by the State Government, it is observed that the name of the user agency has not been changed in FORM -A of the proposal i.e. as MoRTH/Central Government as per Ministry guidelines dated No. FC-11/50/2020-FC dated 18/08/2020. Further, as per the satellite imagery, it is seen that some advance work for planting has been carried out in degraded forest land identified to an extent of 22 ha in Haniya village, Huncha Hobli, Hosanagara Taluk, Shivamogga Division. Therefore, it may be clarified whether, in the said degraded forest land, any CA work has been carried out in *lieu* of any other forest diversion proposal or any other plantation activity has/is been undertaken. It may also be clarified if the area identified for raising CA is suitable for planting, as per para 2.4 (vii) of Chapter 2 of Handbook of Forest Conservation Act, 1980, (as per the DSS report, majority of the CA area identified comes under moderately dense forests).

In view of the above, it is requested to provide above mentioned information at the earliest to this office for further processing the proposal please.

olc olc In los

Yours faithfully,

(Praneetha Paul) Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

 The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18<sup>th</sup> Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FC) /Nodal Officer (FCA), Office
of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of
Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18<sup>th</sup> Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.

3. The Executive Engineer, NH Division, APMC Yard, Shivamogga-577204.

(Praneetha'Paul)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

VIVID