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To,
The Chief Conservator of Forests (T),
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Sub:- Diversion of 8.2222 ha. Forest land in favour of City Industrial Development Corporation of Maharashtra for construction of coastal road from jalmarg sector-16 Kharghar to Sector-11 in CBD Belapur and Balance Link Transport Terminal in Nerul Mumbai in Mangrove and Raigad District in the State of Maharashtra-reg.

Ref:- The Government of India, MoEF & CC, Intigrated Regional Office, Nagpur vide letter No.F.No.FC-II/MH-231/2023-NGP/12561, dated 28/11/2023

Your attention is drawn to the letter under reference. In this context, the Government of India, MoEF & CC, Intigrated Regional Office, Nagpur has sought compliance on 08 points (copy enclosed).

It is therefore requested to obtain compliance of the shortcomings from the user agency and submit with all relevant documents in **English** to this office for further submission to the Ministry for consideration of the proposal for approval

Encl:- As above

(Naresh Zurmure)
Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer

Copy to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangrove Cell, Mumbai for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag Forest Division, Alibag for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Mumbai Mangrove Conservation Unit for information and necessary action.

Copy to the General Manager (Forest), CIDCO Ltd., CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai 400614 for information and necessary action.

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The Principal Secretary (Forests), Revenue and Forest Department, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk Madam Cama Marg Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400032. Regional Office Ground Floor, East Wing New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001 apcefcentral-ngp-mef@gov.in

Date: 28.11.2023

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Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra's letter no. FLD-1223/C-269/F-10 dated 25.09.2023 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra's letter no. Desk-17/FCA-S1/PIC-153241/1362/Thane dated 01.08.2023 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, Nagpur revealed following:

 Consolidated single KML file of entire road alignment under instant proposal, duly highlighting proposed forest area for diversion has not been submitted. The same needs to be submitted.

ii. The details of structures like bridges and flyovers have not been submitted in general, particularly between chainage 0+700 meter to 1+100 meter. The same need to be submitted.

iii. KML File of CA land has not been uploaded on PARIVESH portal online in Part-II. The same need to be uploaded.

iv. The CA has been mentioned to be carried over an area of 9.00 ha of degraded forest land; whereas, the KML file of CA Land is 18.00 ha in measurement. Clarification in this regarding needs to be submitted in light of Guideline No. 2.4 (vi) of the Handbook of Guidelines published on March 28, 2019.

v. KML File for Alternative alignment has not submitted.

vi. 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.

vii. It is not clear whether the area proposed for diversion is falling in the Eco-Sensitive zone/default ESZ of Thane Flamingo Sanctuary.

viii. Status of obtaining Environment and CRZ clearance is not mentioned in the proposal.

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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

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further consideration of the proposal for approval under the Forest (Conservation)

This issues with the approval of the DDGF(C)/ RO (Central), RO, MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,

(C.B. Tashildar) AIGF (Central)

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.

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