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No. 4-KLB1480/2023-BAN/ 227

Dated: 3rd November, 2023

To

The Additional Chief Secretary. Government of Kerala. Forests & Wildlife (C) Department. Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, PIN - 695 001.

> Subject: Proposal for diversion of 4.332 ha of forest land for Edaparamba -Kolichal Road in Kasaragode District in Kerala (Online Proposal No.FP/KL/ROAD/37710/2018).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's Letter No. C3/314/2023-FWLD on 18/09/2023 received through Parivesh portal in this office on 07/10/2023 seeking final/Stage-II approval of the Central Government under Section'2' of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above project. In this regard, it is requested that information/clarification on the following may kindly be provided for further processing of the proposal:-

- 1. It may be clarified whether the road proposed for widening is pre-1980 road or road formed after 1980. Necessary supporting documents for the same may be provided.
- 2. It is seen that the CA land (non-forest land) proposed for this project overlaps with the CA land proposed for transmission line proposal for diversion of 17.073 ha of forest area for construction of 400 KV Quad D/C Udupi-Kasargod Transmission Line Project for which already Stage I has been issued vide this office letter dated 26.10.2022, which is a duplication and is not acceptable. Thus CA land once proposed and accepted may not be changed. For the given road appropriate CA land may be proposed in an alternate location accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

(B.N. ANJAN KUMAR)

Asstt. Inspector General of Forest (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forest Department, 'Vanalakshmi', 1 st Floor, Forest Headquarters, Government of Kerala. Vazhuthacaud, Thiruvananthapuram, PIN- 695 014, Kerala.

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