

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

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To,

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

Sub: Diversion of 3.2752 ha of Protected forest land in favour of MSETCL, EHV project Division, Kalyan for construction of and laying of 400 KV LILO M/C Transmission line on 400 KV Padghe-Tarapur Transmission Line for 400 KV Kudus Substation passing through Thane and Palghar District in the State of Maharashtra-regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-12A23/C.R.250/F-10 dated 01.09.2023 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter no. Desk-17/FCA-SI/PID-153218/Thane/974/23-24 dated 28.06.2023 which was received in this office on 22.06.2023 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 revealed that Eco-Sensitive Zone of Tansa Wildlife Sanctuary has not been notified, ESZ is deemed to be 10 Km. The State Government shall obtain comments from PCCF (Wildlife), Maharashtra on the importance of area from wildlife point of view and conservation measures, if any shall be submitted.

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 DDGF (Central), 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. User Agency.

iii. Guard file.

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