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F.No. FC-III/MH-34/2018-NGP 4737-

Date: 03.01.2019

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

Sub: Diversion of 74.7102 ha. Forest land in favour of Maharashtra State Road Development Corporation Limited, Bandra (W), Mumbai for construction of Mumbai-Pune Expressway missing link (13.3 Km from Khopoli Exit on Yashwantro Chavan Expressway (YCEW) to Sinhagad Institute near Lonavala) in Raigad and Pune District in the state of Maharashtra - Regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to State Government letter No. FLD-1918/C.R.312/F-10 dated 30.11.2018 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The instant proposal was considered by the Regional Empowered Committee in its meeting held on 17th December, 2018 and the Committee, after detailed examination and discussion, decided that the proposal may again be placed before the Committee after receipt of information as desired by the Regional Office vide letter dated 12.12.2018 and also after receipt of following information:

- i. Area calculation statement submitted, may be revisited by the State Government and detailed area calculation statement in terms of Length X Breadth and Curvature may be calculated and the same shall be submitted by the State Government. And in case there is any change in area the same may be corrected in the proposal.
- ii. The calculation of trees available on the site proposed for the casting yards should be reported on the basis of actual (100%) counting and also it may be reported as to how many trees from amongst those will be required to be felled for the casting yard.
- iii. From out of total number of trees assessed to be involved in the project, separately it may be mentioned how many tree are present on the land above the tunnel portion. (i.e. which will not be felled). And how many numbers of trees are required to be felled for the road and via duct portion.

iv. If the work can be carried out with just two casting yards.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit information as desired by the REC as above along with the information sought vide this office letter dated 12.12.2018 for further consideration of the proposal for approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours faithfully,

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