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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 16.6846 ha of forest land in favour of Central Railway, Ghatkopar for construction of third Railway line between Kalyan to Kasara station of 67.62 km in Ulhasnagar, Kalyan and Shahapur Talukas in Thane District in the State of Maharashtra- regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to State Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-1923/C.R.20/F-10 dated 25.05.2023 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter no. Desk-17/Nodal/Thane/I.D-13361(78)/2430/2022-23 dated 19.12.2022 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section- 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and State Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-1923/C.R.20/F-10 dated 08.09.2023 forwarding reply to queries raised vide this office letter of even number dated 12.07.2023 and to inform that the instant proposal was placed before Regional Empowered Committee in its meeting held on 30.10.2023. After detailed discussion and examination of the proposal the Committee decided that proposal shall again be placed before the REC after receipt of following information:

- Comments from PCCF (Wildlife)/ Chief Wildlife Warden, Maharashtra on the proposed project passing in Eco-sensitive Zone of Tansa Wildlife Sanctuary needs to be submitted.
- Since the proposed project is passing through core area of Tansa Wildlife Sanctuary, approval of National Board for Wildlife needs to be submitted to the Regional Office, Nagpur.
- Consolidated single KML file of entire alignment under instant proposal dully highlighting proposed forest area and forest boundary needs to 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 (C)/ Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, MoEF& CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,

(Karthik M.L.)

Technical Officer (Gr. II)

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- The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- User Agency.
- Guard file.

(Karthik M.L.)
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