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पयावरण, वन एव जलवायु पारवतन मत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE एकीकृतक्षेत्रीय कार्यालय,चंडीगढ़/Integrated Regional Office, Chandigarh



Dated: 21-01-2022

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To

The Member Secretary, Central Empowered Committee, 2nd Floor, Chanakya Bhawan, Chanakya Puri, New Delhi-110021.

(E-mail: cecindia202@gmail.com)

Sub: Diversion of 13.684 ha of forest land (closed under section 4 & 5 of PLPA 1900) in favour of Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies along Badkhal - Surajkund road under forest division and District Faridabad (FP/HR/SCH / 41500/2019) - Seeking clarification / advice regarding diversion of forest land notified under section 4 & 5 of Punjab Land Preservation Act (PLPA), 1900.

Ref: (i) Your letter no. 1-26/CEC/SC/2011-Pt.XXXXVI dated 7th Sept, 2012.

(ii) Minute of 46th REC meeting held on 11.01.2022 (copy enclosed)

Sir.

It is to bring to your kind notice that this office has received a proposal for diversion of 13.684 ha of forest land (closed under section 4 & 5 of PLPA 1900) in favour of Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies along Badkhal-Surajkund road, R/side, under forest division and District Faridabad which was discussed in 46th REC meeting held on 11.01.2022 wherein the REC after detailed discussion found the proposal complete in all respect and decided to refer the proposal to the CEC in view of its directions dated 07.09.2012 in accordance with CEC Report dated 15.01.2009 in IA no. 1468 & 2138-2139 in IA no.891-892.

- 2. It is also to submit that in view of the advice tendered by the CEC vide letter under reference (i), this office is not considering the proposals for granting approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forest uses of areas notified under section 4 and/or section 5 of PLPA in the Districts of Gurgaon and Faridabad in Haryana, till final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter on the recommendations of CEC. However, the para 11 and 13 (e) of the CEC Report dated 15.01.2009 in IA no. 1468 & 2138-2139 in IA no.891-892 provide some relief to identified projects of public interest.
- 3. In view of the above, I am directed to request you to kindly advice this office based on the latest directions from the Hon'ble Supreme Court, if aforesaid proposal can be granted approval for diversion under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 or not.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-(Raja Ram Singh) Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C) IRO, MoEF&CC, Chandigarh

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- 3. Manav Rachna International Institute of Research and Studies along Badkhal-Surajkund road, R/side , Faridabad (shashibhushan4777@gmail.com)
- 4. Guard File.

Signed by Raja Ram Singh Date: 21-01-2022 14:45:56