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To,

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

Sub: Diversion of 54.274 ha of Reserved Forest and Protected Forest in favour of Ministry of Road Transport and Highway, National Highway Division, Gadchiroli for Up-gradation to 2/4 lane with paved shoulder configuration of Gadchiroli-Allapalli-Sironcha of NH- 353 C from Gitali- Mosam- ZamelaNalla in Gadchiroli District in the State of Maharashtra - regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to State Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-36A22/CR-205/F-10 dated 23.12.2022 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Gadchiroli/ID-12987/1415/2022-23 dated 06.09.2022 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 Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC revealed following:

- i. Examination of KML file of CA land revealed that KML file is submitted only for 102 ha., KML file of remaining area is not submitted along with the proposal. Further, discrepancy is observed in CA details submitted along with the proposal and KML file uploaded on Parivesh portal. In proposal it is mentioned that CA will be carried over 10 ha in Compt no. 292, whereas, KML file of Compt. no. 592 has been uploaded twice. Correct KML file of all patches needs to be submitted.
- ii. It has been mentioned that proposed project is 3.465 Km from Chaprala Wildlife Sanctuary and 3.5 Km from Pranhita Wildlife Sanctuary. Whereas, DCF, Allipalli has mentioned in his certificate that Chaprala Wildlife Sanctuary is at distance of 0.00 Km and Pranhita Wildlife Sanctuary is at a distance of 3.500 Km. Clarification in the Statement made by DCF, Allapalli needs to be submitted.
- iii. Proposed project is 3.465 Km from Chaprala Wildlife Sanctuary and 3.5 Km from Pranhita Wildlife Sanctuary. However, Eco-sensitive Zone of Chaprala Wildlife Sanctuary varies from zero to 5.0 kilometers and that of Pranhita Wildlife Sanctuary varies from zero to 6.3 Km. Specific comments from PCCF (Wildlife), Maharashtra on the importance of area from wildlife point of view and conservation measures, if any shall be submitted.
- iv. Details of all structures proposed in the instant proposal along with their dimensions need to be submitted.
- v. State Government has mentioned that 4251 trees are proposed to be felled in the proposal. However, in online Part- II it is mentioned that 4541 trees are proposed to be

felled in the proposal. Discrepancy need to be revisited by the State Government and exact number of trees to be felled in the proposal shall be submitted.

- vi. Details of employment potential in terms of man days of skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided. The same needs to be provided by the State Government.
- vii. State Government has mentioned in its covering letter that the part of proposed road falls in FDCM area, accordingly, NOC from the FDCM need 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,


(N.K. Dimri)

Technical Officer (Gr. I)

Copy to:

- i. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- iii. User agency.
- iv. Guard file.

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