Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

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Additional Chief Secretary (Forests), Government of Karnataka Bengaluru.

Sub: Renewal of FC approval over 221.80 ha. of forest land in Jogimatti and Marikanive RF [Lakkihalli, Myakenahalli and nine (9) other villages] in Hosadurga, Hiriyuru, Holalakere and Chitradurga Taluks of Chitradurga District for already established Wind Power Project in favour of Karnataka Renewal Energy Development Limited (KREDL) for sub-lease to M/s. Enercon (India) Limited [presently M/s. Wind World (India Limited] on BOT basis (Online proposal no. FP/KA/WIND/43786/2020) -regarding Request for modification/change of condition Stage-II forest Clearance granted to Wind Power Project from existing lease grant of 15 years to 30 years

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Karnataka vide letter No. FEE 79 FLL 2023 dated 16.08.2024 on the above-mentioned subject for seeking modification/change of condition Stage-II forest Clearance granted to Wind Power Project from existing lease grant of 15 years to 30 years under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhjan) Adhiniyam, 1980. In this regard it to inform that the matter was examined by the Advisory Committee meeting held on 28.11.2024 wherein the committee decided to defer the proposal for want of following:

- i. The State Govt. shall provide the names of the erring official responsible for violation within 15 days in response to the letter dated 13.11.2024 to the Regional Office.
- ii. As observed in the monitoring report that the CA over 47.57 ha out of 222 ha has not yet been done, the State Govt. shall submit a detailed report on CA done to the Regional Office.

In view of above the State Government is requested to submit the above mentioned information/documents for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal) Dy. Inspector General of Forests Copy to:

- 1. PCCF (HoFF), Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.
- 2. APCCF cum Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.
- 3. DDGF (C), MoEF&CC's RO Bengaluru- with a request to submit his clear recommendation with respect to the instant proposal and for necessary action wrt the information to be submitted by the State Govt.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.