

F. No. 8-38/2016-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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New Delhi – 1100 03,

Dated: 16th December, 2016,

To

The Special Secretary to Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Deptt.,
A.P. Secretariat,
Hyderabad.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 469.18 hectares of forest land in (12) R.Fs. of Eluru Forest Division for Chintalapudi Lift Irrigation Scheme Package – I & II, in favour of Chief Engineer, Godavari Delta System, Dowleswaram Government of Andhra Pradesh.

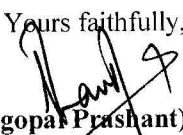
Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh letter No. 3733/Section. II/2016 dated 09.08.2016 submitting the above subject proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The said proposal was placed before Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 9th & 10th November, 2016. The detailed minutes of the FAC meeting held on 9th & 10th November, 2016 is placed on the website of this Ministry: www.forestclearance.nic.in. After thorough deliberation, the FAC *inter-alia* recommended that:

1. The Catchment Area Treatment Plan with cost projections as due be provided
2. The duly approved R& R Plan be provided.
3. The complete details of having followed mandated procedure as per Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, including copies of Gram Sabha Resolution (vernacular and translated) be provided.
4. Only 250 Ha of the 508.39 Ha of non-forest land provided is suitable for Compensatory Afforestation (CA). Alternate Compensatory Afforestation land be provided in lieu of the remaining area proposed to be diverted along with site suitability certificate for the entire CA land. **The CA scheme to be revised** accordingly.

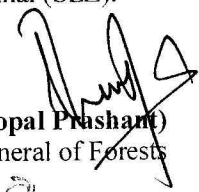
In view of above, it is requested to send the information/documents as stated above to this Ministry for further consideration.

Yours faithfully,


(Rajagopal Prashant)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
2. Nodal Officer, Office of the PCCF, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
3. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chennai (SEZ).
4. User Agency.
5. Forest Conservation Monitoring Cell, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.


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