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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wild Life) Maharashtra State, Nagpur.

Managing Director, Forest Development Corporation of Maharashtra Ltd; Hingna Road, Nagpur

Sub: Proposal for Diversion of 315.74 ha. of forest land for under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for renovation of Asolamendha Irrigation Project in Division Bramhapuri, Central Chanda and Chandrapur Forest Division, Saoli, Mul and Pombhurna talukas of Chandrapur Dist in the State of Maharashtra-Regarding.

Ref:1. Govt. of India's letter no. File no. 8-33/2022-FC, dtd.1st December 2022.

Please find enclosed a copy of letter under reference. The Govt. of India vide letter under reference has raised 16 queries regarding the proposal mentioned under subject.

As per Govt. of India letter under reference Point no.1 and 2 are related to Wildlife division, hence it is hereby requested to forward requisite information as sought by Govt. of India to this office as early as possible.

The NoC of your office may please be forwarded related to area 71.99 ha reserved forest managed by FDCM in the proposed diversion for proposal mentioned under subject above.

Encl: As above

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Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests And Nodal Officer

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Copy forwarded to Chief Conservator of Forests (T) Chandrapur along with a copy of letter under reference. Your office is hereby requested to submit query wise complete (not in vernacular) and requisite information in tabular format along with relevant documents to this office for onward submission to Govt. of India at the earliest.

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi - 110003. Dated: 1st December, 2022

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai.

Subject: Diversion of 315.74 ha forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Renovation of Asolamendha Irrigation Project in Division Bramhapuri, Central Chanda and Chandrapur Forest Division, Saoli, Mul and Pombhurna talukas of Chandrapur District in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/IRRIG/39591/2019) regarding.

Madam/Sir.

I am directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-2022/CR-291/ F-10 dated 14.11.2022 on the above cited subject. In this regard following shortcomings have been observed in the proposal submitted by the State Govt.:

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The CF in his Site Inspection Report has mentioned that the proposed area is important from wildlife point of view and also reported the presence and movement of Tiger & Leopard in proposed forest land. Further, as per DSS analysis, the Tadoba-Indravatil Tiger Corridor is located at a distance of 3.60 Km. The comments of CWLW in this regard needs submission.

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i. The CF in its Site Inspection Report has mentioned that the Wildlife Mitigation measures are required in case the area is diverted. In this regard the detail of mitigation measures required along with the undertaking from the user agency to bear the cost needs submission.

the State Govt has intimated that only 7501 trees are required to be felled. This needs clarification It has been mentioned that present proposal of 315.74 ha forest land involves 71.99 ha. للزي

As per Site inspection report, the total number of trees to be felled is 117224, whereas

reserved forest managed by Forest Development Corporation of Maharashtra Limited. The copy of NoC from FDCM is required to be submitted.

v. The approved copy of Catchment Area Treatment Plan as per provisions contained in Handbook of guidelines dated 28.03.2019 needs submission,

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- 2. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal;
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.

Signed by Suneet Bhardwaj Date: 01-12-2022 17:47:08 Reason: Approved