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To

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

Sub: Diversion of 0.91 ha Forest land in favour of Executive Director (Planning), Mumbai Metro Railway Corporation, Bandara (East), Mumbai for construction of Bandra Kurla Railway Station for Metro Rail Project-III in Mumbai Suburban District in the State of Maharashtra – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Addl. PCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra's letter no. Desk-17/NC/III/ID 12446/(60)/885/16-17 dated 9.08.2016 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to inform that proposal of the State Government has been examined by the Ministry in light of relevant Rules and Guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and following is revealed:

- i. Compliance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 has not been submitted alongwith the proposal. The same needs to be submitted in accordance with the MoEF&CC's advisory dated 5.07.2013 along with supporting documents viz. records of meetings consultations with the Forest Rights Committee, Gram Sabha, Sub-Divisional Level Committee, etc.
- ii. Corresponding details of the attributes of land identified for raising CA viz. Differential GPS map, CA suitability certificate, KML/Shape file have not been submitted along with the proposal. Details of the same may be submitted online in Part-II also.
- iii. Differential GPS map of the area proposed for diversion as well as area identified for raising CA may be submitted along with their correct kml/shape files conspicuously depicting boundary of the areas. Kml/shape files may also be submitted online in Part-I and Part-II of Form-A.
- iv. Examination of the alternatives submitted along with the proposal revealed that alternatives examined are corresponding to the overall corridor of the proposed metro line. No details on alternate sites explored for setting up the railway station other than the forest land has been submitted.
- v. The State Government in the mentioned that forest area will be required for diversion for permanent and temporary purpose. The exact details of the forest area required for temporary purpose and temporary components/structures may be provided by the State Government along with a detailed reclamation/restoration plan of the forest area proposed to be used for temporary purposes.
- vi. Component wise breakup of forest land proposed for diversion and also for temporary use may be submitted by the State Government.

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- vii. Details of employment potential in terms of maydays for skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons to be generated both on permanent basis (direct and indirect) as well as temporary (direct and indirect), also needs to be provided by the State Government.

In view of the above, I am directed to inform the State Government to submit the information on the shortcomings as indicated above, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,


(Charan Jeet Singh)
Scientist 'C'

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1. The PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur
2. The Nodal Officer FCA), O/o of the PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
3. User Agency.
4. Guard File.


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