

Government of Gujarat

Forest & Environment Department

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No. FCA-1021/4-04/21/SF-111/F

Date: 12 2 MAR 2022

To.

Regional Officer, IRO-Gandhinagar,

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, A-407 & A-409, Aranya Bhavan, CH-3 Circle, Sectr-10 A, Gandhinagar-382010.

Subject: Diversion of 0.945 ha. Protected forest land for laying of drinking water pipeline for Machchhu-1 based bamanbor Gr.W.S.S.(WSS-6 General) Connectivity Wankaner/Rajkot Taluka, District Morbi in favour of Deputy Executive Engineer, P.H. Works Sub Division, Rajkot.

Sir,

Please refer to your office letter no.6-GJB 081/2021-BHO/, Dt.11/10/2021, the required information are furnished as under.

- 1. The proposed diversion area is not falls inside the Eco Sensitive Zone of Rampara Wildlife Sanctuary. So that there is no requirement to obtain NOC from CWLW, Gujarat State.
- 2. There is violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as Certified by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest. User agency had done violation between dt.06/03/2021 to dt.15/03/2021. FOR No.03/2021-22 Dt.15/06/2021 has been issued by DCF. Moreover, Rs.75,000/- has been recovered as a deposit amount. The notice has been issued against the forest staff for not being able to prevent use of forest land for non-forestry purpose. The same is attached herewith.
- 3. There are 2.00 ha. Proposed CA area of degraded forest land and all other documents are for 2.00 ha. Of CA land on degraded forest land. There are inadvertentally written 1.00 ha.instead of 2.00 ha. CA land in our office letter No. FCA-1021/4-04/21/SF-111/F, Dt.10/08/2021.
- 4. The proposed diversion area is below 1.00 ha. So that as per FCA guideline, non-forest land is not required.

Yours Faithfully,

(S. J. Pandit)

Additional Secretary

Encl. As above.

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copy to:-

1. Nodal officer (FCA), Pr. Chief Conservator of Forest's Office, Gujarat State, 'Aranya Bhavan' Sector-10/A, Gandhinagar