

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forests Force), Maharashtra State

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No.Desk-17/Nodal/Gadchiroli/ID-12911/(54)/ 1618 /2021-22 Nagpur - 440 001, Dated: 23 11 2021

To,

The Deputy Director General (Central), Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office (WCZ), Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines, Nagpur-440001.

Sub:- Diversion of 18.412 ha. of forest land in Favor of Executive Engineer, Public Works Division No.2 Gadchiroli for Link Road (MH-1050) Improvement/ Upgradation & Maintenance of ODR-51, Dhanora to Pendhari From Km 0+000 Km 36+650 in Dhanora Tehsil of Distt Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

- Ref:- 1. GOI, MOEF & CC, R.O.Nagpur letter No FC-II/MH-175/2021-NGP/8822, \\ dt.29/10/2021.
 - 2. The Conservator of Forest (Territorial) Gadchiroli Letter No.Desk-2(8)/Land/ P/126 CR.445 (20-21)/873, dt. 18/11/2021

Sir,

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, Regional Office, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.1 has sought compliance on 11 points. Accordingly, the Conservator of Forest (Territorial) Gadchiroli vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted the compliance of shortcoming in this regard to this office. The compliance report as desired by Government of India vide letter dt. 29/10/2021 is submitted as under:-

Sr. No	Point	Compliance
i	Compensatory Afforestation has been proposed over 37.00 ha. Degraded Forest Land (i) 27.00 ha. in Compt.no. 806, Range-Digras, Taluka-Digras, District-Yavatmal (ii) 10.00 ha of Compt.no. 366, Range Pusad, Talula-Pusad, District – Yavatmal, Since CA land is proposed over degraded forest land twice in extent outside Gadchiroli, CA over equivalent Non-Forest land needs to be proposed. If CA is proposed over Degraded Forest Land twice in extent, then CA needs to be proposed in Gadchiroli District only. Accordingly revised CA details, Viz, CA	

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	schemes, site suitability certificates, DGPS maps and KML files for all CA areas need to be submitted.	The User Agency has not retreated. They have adequated the terretreated in this regard the Union research as research as the San Company of the Company of t
ii	Details of Compensatory Afforestation Viz. CA scheme and KML has not been uploaded in Parivesh portal Furthe, CA details viz. Differential GPS map of CA land, siet specific CA scheme, site suitability certificate in not submitted along with the proposal Necessary corrections shall be made in Parivesh Portal and requisite documents shall be submitted.	Details of Compensatory Afforestation viz, CA scheme and KML has been uploaded in Parivesh Portal. The Copy to corrected part-II is submitted as Annexure no-2
iii	The road is proposed in Biodiversity rich dense forest; accordingly specific comments of the PCCF, Wildlife regarding any possible adverse impact and mitigation measure there of respect to all proposed roads shall be obtained.	In this regard, the Chief Wildlife Warden inform to this office to propose detail mitigation report. The Compliance for this is under process and will be submitted at the earliest.
iv	As reported by the State Government, the proposal is passing through Tiger Corridor as identified by NTCA; accordingly, permission from the standing Committee of NBWL has to be taken the number of project affected trees need to be revisited by keeping trees on outer RoW intact.	Proposal for Wildlife Clearance by NBWL was submitted by User Agency but it has been reverted back with queries form PCCF (Wildlife) Maharashtra and is pending for compliance.
v	The alignment has be be revisited by DCF concern to ensure that entire alignment is within the Maharashtra State, since some portion appeared to be in Chhattisgarh State as per Google Satellite imaginary.	Certificate regarding Jurisdiction is submitted as Annexure No-3
vi	Name of signing authority and date of submission is not mentioned in Part-1 of form-A submitted by User Agency along with the proposal. Revised copy of the same shall be submitted.	Corrected Copy mentioning Name of signing authority and date of submission of part-I si submitted as Annexure No-4
vii	Discrepancy is observed in non-forest land involved in the proposal, in online part-I, at one place it is mentioned that 8.513 ha. of non-forest land has involved in the project and in another plaxee it is mentioned that 6.9 ha of non-forest is involved in the project, however; in area calculation statement along with the proposal, it in mentioned that 7.2 ha non-forest land is involved in the proposal.	User Agency Certified that non Forest Area is 7.200 ha. but mistakenly entered 8.513 ha. in Parivesh Portal, but now they are unable to correct it.
	Necessary corrections shall be made in Parivesh portal and intimated to this office and correst area calculation statement shall bw submitted.	
viii	Information on total CA stipulated since 1980 is not submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests. Gadchiroli in his part-11 mentioning necessary information needs to be submitted.	The information on total CA stipulated since 1980 is already submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadchiroli in his Part-II. The Copy of Part II is submitted as Annexure No-5
ix	Project layout map is not submitted along with the proposal, the shall be submitted.	Copy of layout Map is submitted as Annexure No -6

Certificate ensuring importance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 is not submitted along with the proposal. Original FRA-2006 certificate along with documentary evidences in the form of copies of the resolutions of the concerned Forest Rights Committee (s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee (s) recording their consent for the proposal and bearing signature of the participants shall be submitted, In addition to this, copies of record of proceeding of the Forest Rights Committee, Sub Divisional Level Committee (s) may also be submitted. Details of employment potential in terms of

The User Agency has not submitted. They have submitted an undertaking in this regard. The Undertaking regarding FRA is submitted as Annexure No-7

Accordingly, it is clarified that within the time period stipulated for compliance of Stage-I conditions, Deputy Commissioner shall complete the process of compliance of FRA (including forwarding its findings to the concerned CF), hence for the purpose of the MoEF &CC, as per the provision under forest (Conservation) amendment rules, 2016 the compliance under FRA is not required for consideration of in-principle approval. This has to be furnished by the state Govt. for consideration of the proposal by the ministry for final approval.

XI man days of skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided. The same needs to be submitted.

Employment Details are submitted as Annexure No-8

In view of the above facts, it is requested that Government of India may kindly approve the above proposal under section- 2(ii) of the forest (Conservation) Act 1980, as early as possible.

Encl.: As above.

Yours sincerely,

(Naresh Zurmure)

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

& Nodal Officer

Copy submitted to Principal Secretary (Forests), Revenue and Forests Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai for information.

Copy to Conservator of Forests (T) Gadchiroli for information.

Copy to Deputy Conservator of Forests, Allapalli for information.

Copy to Executive Engineer, Public Work Division Allapalli for information.