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No. A5(2).GFL.CR-8/2017-18

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Proposal No. FP/KA/Others/27787/2017

To,

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government
Forest, Environment and Ecology Department
M.S. Building, Bengaluru - 560 001.

Madam,

Sub: Diversion of 0.502 ha of forest land in Sy. No. 62 & 67 of
Doddamangadi Village, Ramdurga Taluk, Belgaum District for
creation of Shiva & Sai theme park in favour of the
President, Shiva Prathishtana Seva Samithi, Ramdurga- reg.

- Ref: 1. This office letter of even number dated 10-11-2017
(addressed to Government of Karnataka).
2. Letter No. FEE 104 FLL 2017 dated 19-12-2017 of
Government of Karnataka.
3. This office letter of even number dated 06-01-2018 &
07-02-2018 (addressed to field officers).
4. Letter No.B2/Land/FC/DOD/RMD/2017-18 dated
14-02-2018 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Ghataprabha Division, Gokak.
5. Letter No. A7/LND/GKK/CR- /2017-18 dated 15-02-2018
of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Belagavi Circle,
Belagavi.

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A proposal for diversion of 0.502 ha of forest land in Sy. No. 62 & 67 of
Doddamangadi Village, Ramdurga Taluk, Belgaum District for creation of Shiva & Sai
theme park in favour of the President, Shiva Prathishtana Seva Samithi, Ramdurga was
submitted vide ref (1). In response Government of Karnataka vide ref (2) has sought
specific opinion about the said project proposal. Accordingly, after due reconsideration it
was decided to refer the matter to the field officers (ref-3) seeking additional information
regarding establishment of Shiva and Sai theme parks in the 'tree park'.

Accordingly, the Chief Conservator of Forests, Belagavi Circle vide ref (5) has
submitted a report along with a copy of Office Memorandum dated 03-02-2018 having

accorded approval for Annual Plan of Operation of "Doddamangadi Tree Park" for Rs.40.00 lakhs under the Budget Head 2406-01-101-Forest Conservation, Development & Regeneration-2-Other Schemes-83-Afforestation on Forest & Forest Area-139-Major works (Tree Park) for the year 2017-18 and report of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak at ref (4).

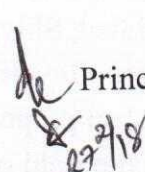
In view of the above the following may be considered.

- i. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak has reported that *"Shiva Prathisthan Seva Sameeti of Junipeth come forward to create Shiva theme park and Sai theme park to create awareness among the environment and forests attracting the public through devotional activities showing them the Shiva's love over the environment and forest"*, and further that *"since Shiva Prathisthan Seva Sameeti Junipeth come forward to create Shiva & Sai theme park at Doddamangadi Sy. No. 62 & 67, proposal has been recommended for approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980"*. Furthermore, *"necessary provision has been made in the APO for the tree park towards establishment of medicinal religious plant species in Shiva and Sai theme park."*
- ii. Further, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak has explained that the component VIP road *"is nothing special but road linking interpretation enters to main gate."*
- iii. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Belagavi Circle has reported that the said theme parks will be established by the trust & maintenance of the same will be done by the local VFC & Karnataka Forest Department.

In view of the above and further considering that tree park is a citizens' place for communion with nature where interpretation is a targeted objective, the instant proposal may be submitted for approval by the Government of India for obtaining approval under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Copies of the letter at ref (4) & (5) are enclosed for reference.

Yours faithfully


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Belagavi Circle, Belagavi and the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak for necessary action.

Copy to the President Shiva Prathishtana Seva Samithi, Junipeth Post, Ramdurga Taluk, Belagavi District for information and necessary action.