GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

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The Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry Circle, Rajamahendravaram.

<u>Rc.No.1487/2018/C4,Dt.07.12.2020</u>

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Sub:- Forest Department- FCA Act,1980- Proposal for diversion of 1.69 Ha. of Forest Land in Compartment No.23 &26 of Maduguru R.F , Chintur Range of Chintur Division for formation and providing BT to the Road from ZP Raod at Alligudem to Staffordpeta in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU) Division, Kakinada- Report submission of – Reg.

Ref: 1) E.E, PR(PIU) Divisio, Kakinada Rc.No.AE1/PIU/100-249 Popo.Habs & RCPLWE/forest clearence/2017, Dt.09.10.2018.
2) DFO., Chintur Rc.No.1437/2018/C4, Dt.21.12.2018.
3) CCF., Rajahmundry Rc.No.4147/2017-D192), Dt.27.12.2018
4) PCCF.,A.P., Guntur, Rc.No.EFS02-15034/81/2018 FCA-SEC PCCF/FCA-3, Dt.14.01.2019

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It is submitted that, the Executive Engineer, Panchayath Raj(PIU) Division, Kakinada in the reference 1st cited, has uploaded the proposal (FORM-A, Part-1) in PARIVESH web portal and submitted hard copies of the proposal for diversion of Forest Land 1.69 Ha. in Compt.No.23 & 26, Maduguru & Kalleru R.Fs. of Chintur Division for formation and providing BT to the Road from ZP Road at Alligudem to Staffordpeta. The same proposal was verified on the field and submitted Part-II information to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry by recording "non- recommendation" inview of the specific conditions at field level vide this office reference 2nd cited. Inturn, the Chief Conservator of Forest, Rajahmundry has addressed same to the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Guntur for taking further action. After verifying the same and basing on request of the District Collector, East Godavari District, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Guntur in the reference 3rd cited, has requested this office for re-examination of road issue in coordination with District Administration and resubmit the proposal with specific recommendation.

Inview of the above, it is submitted that, the providing BT to the Road from ZP Road at Alligudem to Staffordpeta issue was re-examined in coordination with the Project Officer, I.T.D.A. Chintur and the following few points are submitted for kind perusal.

- The Alligudem is an illegal Gothi Koya habitation situated in Compt.No.26, Kalleru RF. and Stafordpeta is located in Compt.No. 23, Maduguru R.F, Chintur Range of Chintur Division.
- The Gothi Koyas are the migrated tribes from Odisha and Chattisgrah States, these migrant non- local tribes have influxed into the Reserve Forest areas of Chintur Division before state bifurcation and occupied the large areas of forest land by clearing the tree growth and made their settlements permanently in the said forest area. These tribal people are habitual inclearing the forest tree growth gradually by girdling the trees and later on setting fire. Their number increased disproportionately in this habitation when compared to the relatively small habitation Staffordpeta, which is originally occupied by local tribes but later on occupied by Gothi Koyas. The number of families existing in this village is around 15 only.

- There existing only WBM road from Maredumili to Chintur Road to Alligudem (encroached habitation) 4.30 Kms. out of which 1.66 Kms. falls under Reserve Forest. There is no point in having a BT Road from Alligudem to Staffordpeta without having BT road for the above stretch.
- Providing BT Road between Alligudem encroached habitation and Stafordpeta illegal habitation will lead further encroachment upto A.P. state border. Further, it is submitted that, there are no revenue villages in-between said illegal Gothi koya habitation and upto the state border of Andhra Pradesh.

Any development activity provided in the said area will open doors to the encroachers for further encroachment of Reserve Forest land, which adversely affect on the forest wealth.

Inview of the above, it is submitted that, there is no necessity to provide BT to the road from Alligudem to Stafordpeta Gothi koya encroached habitations.

Hence, I request the Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry to kindly address the above issue to the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Guntur for taking further action in this matter, as there is no necessity for providing BT to the road from Alligudem to Staffordpeta will show adverse effect on Forest wealth situated in the said proposed diverted Forest land and others.

This is submitted for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully, ional Forest Officer, Chintur Division, Chintur. 07-12-20

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