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By Speed post

No. D-6/Nosel/Satara/Rail/24-25/569 Kolhapur – 416003, 7 /08/2024

To,

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur.

- Sub Proposal for diversion of 1.5457 ha forest land for regularization of lease of Forest land (Before 1980) for use of Holiday Homes with drinking water pipeline, water tank, electricity, internal road & parking & other amenities from survey no 223/1 at village Malcompeth, Tal. Mhabaleshwar Dist. Satara, to the Central Railway Pune, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.
- Ref 1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur letter F.No.FC-1/276/2022-NGP/10036, Dated 8/07/2022
 - 2. Your office letter D-17/Nodal/PID-13267/Kolhapur (29)/1058, Dated 28.07.2022
 - 3. This office letter D-6/Nocell/Satara/Rail/22-23/1271 Dated 23.08.2022
 - 4. DCF Satara letter A/D-6/Land/24-25/92 Dt. 22/04/2024
 - 3. This office letter D-6/Nocell/Satara/Rail/22-23/1271 Dated 23.08.2022
 - 4. DCF Satara letter A/D-6/Land/24-25/92 Dt. 22/04/2024
 - 5. This office letter D-6/Nocell/Satara/Rail/24-25/324 Dated 3.05.2024
 - 6. DCF Satara letter A/D-6/Land/24-25/151 Dt. 8/05/2024
 - 7. This office letter D-6/Nocell/Satara/Rail/24-25/365 Dated 10.05.2024
 - 8. DCF Satara letter A/D-6/Land/24-25/439 Dt. 19/07/2024
 - 9. This office letter D-6/Nocell/Satara/Rail/24-25/1079 Dated 31.07.2024
 - 10. User Agency letter No.PA/W/DB/LM/Holiday Home/35 Dated 2.08.2024
 - 11. DCF Satara letter A/D-6/Land/24-25/500 Dt. 5/08/2024

As desired by the Central Government vide letter dated 8.07.2022 under reference 1, DCF Satara vide letter dated 22.04.2024, 8.05.2024 and 19.07.2024. After complying back queries raised by this office, final compliance report was submitted by DCF Satara vide reference 11. Which is furnished as under a

Sr.No	Query	Which is turnished as under: -
		Compliance
i	As per the details submitted along with the proposal, the instant proposal included prolonged violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, accordingly, the State Government is requested to submit detailed violation report naming erring officers along with chronological details and subsequent documents	The User Agency has submitted the compliance report which is enclosed as Annexure-I and following things were mentioned in the report. 1. 5 Acres of forest land was taken on lease from the Forest Department for a period of 10 years starting from April 1978 to April 1988 for construction of a Holiday Home for Railway employees. The construction of the Holiday Home was completed prior to 1980 i.e. before the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 (FCA) came into force.

- 2. Immediately on expiry of the lease period in 1988, Railway submitted a proposal to the Forest Department for the extension of the lease and also continued to pay the due lease charges. Thereafter, several times modified proposals were sent as per the advice received from the Forest Department. However, the proposals could not materialize for some reason or the other.
- 3. In view of the above, it may kindly be appreciated that no Railway officer or staff is responsible for not getting the lease extended.
- 4. Further, since the land was taken on lease and the construction of Holiday Home was completed before the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 came into force, there has been no violation of the said Act (FCA).

As per the Compliance report submitted by the User Agency, structures were found constructed prior to 1980. However, it was necessary to renew the lease, after its expiry in 1988, for further use of forest land. With respect to the proposal already sent for diversion of 1.5457 ha forest land by the User Agency and non-renewal of lease for the forest land after its expiry, necessary action may be taken under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Abhiniyam), 1980.

Encl: As above.

(R.M.Ramanujam)

Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur.

Copy submitted to: DCF, Satara for information and necessary action.

Copy submitted to: Project Authority, Divisional Engineer, Central Railway, Pune for information and necessary action.



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No.A/Land/24,25/500

Satara, Dt. 05/08/2024.

To.

Chief Conservator of Forest, (T) Kolhapur.

- Subject Proposal for diversion of 1.5457 ha. Forest land for regularisation of lease of forest land (Before 1980) for use of Holiday Home with drinking water pipeline, Water Tank, Electricity, internal road and parking & other amenities for s. no. 223/1 at village Malcompeth, Tal. Mahabaleshwar, Dist. Satara to the Central Railway pune under section 2 (ii) of forest (conservation) act, 1980.
- Ref. 1. GOI Letter No. FC-I/MH-276/2022-NGP/10036 दि.8/7/2022.
 - 2. This office letter No. B/Desk-6/Land/1135 dt. 09/07/2022.
 - 3. Your Office letter No. Desk-6/Nosel/Rail/Holi.Home/1271 dt. 23/08/2022.
 - 4. This office letter No. B/Desk-6/Land/1896 dt. 22/09/2022.
 - 5. User Agency Letter No. PA/W/DB/LM/Holiday Home/M'shwar/35 dt. 16/04/2024.
 - 6. This office letter No. B/Desk-6/Land/92 dt. 22/04/2024.
 - 7. Your Office letter No. Desk-6/Nosel/Rail/Holi.Home/324 dt. 03/05/2024
 - 8. This office letter No. B/Desk-6/Land/151 dt. 08/05/2024.
 - 9. Your Office letter No. Desk-6/Nosel/Rail/Holi.Home/365 dt. 10/05/2024
 - 10. This office letter No. B/Desk-6/Land/493 dt. 10/05/2024.
 - 11. User Agency Letter No. PA/W/DB/LM/Holiday Home/M'shwar/35 dt. 15/07/2024.
 - 12. This office letter No. B/Desk-6/Land/439 dt. 19/07/2024.
 - 13. Your Office letter No. Desk-6/Nosel/Rail/Holi.Home/1079 dt. 31/07/2024
 - 14. User Agency Letter No. PA/W/DB/LM/Holiday Home/M'shwar/35

Vide Central Government letter under reference no. 1 query was raised by the CCF(T) Kolhapur. User Agency has submitted the compliance report vide reference no. 14 to DCF Satara. In the compliance report, User Agency has mentioned the following

1. 5 Acres of forest land was taken on lease from the Forest Department for a period of 10 years starting from April 1978 to April 1988 for construction of a Holiday

Home for Railway employees. The Construction of the Holiday Home was completed prior to 1980 i.e. before the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 (FCA) come into force.

- 2. Immediately on expiry of the lease period in 1988, Railway submitted a proposal to the Forest Department for the extension of the lease and also continued to pay the due lease charges. Thereafter, several times modified proposals were sent as per the advice received from the Forest Department. However, the proposal could not materialize for the same reason or the other.
- 3. In view of the above, it may kindly be appreciated that no Railway Officer or staff is responsible for nor getting the lease extended.
- 4. Further, since the land was taken on lease and the construction of Holiday Home was completed before the Conservation Act, 1980 come into force, there has been no violation of the said Act, (FCA)

The same has been enclosed for further consideration and necessary action.

(Aditi Bhardwaj)
Dy. Conservator of Forests,
Satara Forest Division, Satara.

Copy for Information to Project Authority, Divisional Engineer, Central Railway, Pune.

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No. PA/W/DB/LM/Holiday Home/M'shwar/35

Date: 02.08.2024.

Dy Conservator of Forest, Satara

Sub: - Proposal for diversion forest land 1.5457 ha for regularization of lease of Forest land (Before 1980) for use of Holiday Homes with drinking water pipeline, water tank, electricity, internal road & parking & other amenities from survey no. 223/1 at village Malcompeth, Tal-Mahabaleshwar, Dist-Satara.

Ref: 1) DCF Satara's letter no. B/class-6/Jamin/23-24/ dt.26.03.2024, 16.11.2023 recd on 22.11.2023, 23.08.2023 recd on 25.08.2023, 05.07.2023 recd on 2.08.2023, 26.05.2023 & 10.05.2024.

- 2) Central Railway HQ's Ltr no. W.138.P-640.HM.II dt. 24.03.23.
- 3) This office letter even no. dt. 7.2.23, 27.2.23, 15.6.23, 4.8.23, 25.8.23, 15.12.23, 1.4.24 & 16.4.24 & 07.06.2024
- 4) DCF Satara's letter no. B/class-6/Jamin/2022-23/2333 dt.17.10.2022.
- 5) CCF(T) Kolhapur's letter No. D-6/Nosel/Satara/Rail/24-25/1079 dt. 31.07.2024
- 6) DCF Satara's letter No. B/class-6/Jamin/24.25/1624 dt. 01.08.2024

Vide CCF(T) Kolhapur's letter under reference (5) above, it has been asked to submit a detailed violation report naming the erring officers. In this connection, the facts pertaining to this case are once again put up herewith for your kind consideration please.

5 Acres of forest land was taken on lease from the Forest Department for a period of 10 years starting from April 1978 to April 1988 for construction of a Holiday Home for Railway employees. The construction of the Holiday Home was completed prior to 1980 i.e. before the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 (FCA) came into force.

Immediately on expiry of the lease period in 1988, Railway submitted a proposal to the Forest Department for the extension of the lease and also continued to pay the due lease charges. Thereafter, several times modified proposals were sent as per the advice received from the Forest Department. However, the proposals could not materalise for some reason or the other.

In view of the above, it may kindly be appreciated that no Railway officer or staff is responsible for not getting the lease extended.

Further, since the land was taken on lease and the construction of Holiday Home was completed before the Forest Conservation Act 1980 came into force, there has been no violation of the said Act (FCA).

In view of the above, it is once again requested to reconsider the proposal for the extension of lease or for the diversion of forest land for the Holiday Home, as may be deemed appropriate, so as to allow continuance of the Holiday Home facilities.

Further, pending the above, the facilities may kindly be reopened, so as to prevent the furniture and furnishing, etc. from getting spoilt and also to resume the facility at the

> (Vikas Kumar) Sr Divisional Engineer (South) Central Railway Pune.

C/- DDG/MoEf(CC), Nagpur- for kind information please.

C/- CE(G) CR - for kind information please.

C/- DRM Pune - for kind information please.

C/- ADRM Pune - for kind information please.

C/- Sr DEN(Co) Pune - for kind information please.

C/- ADEN/STR - for information and necessary action.

C/- SSE(W) GPR - for information and necessary action.