

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

Rc.no.1625/2017-TO Dated: .09.2023 Office of the District Forest Officer, Anakapalli Division, H.Q., at Narsipatnam.

From Sri B.Raja Rao, S.F.S., District Forest Officer, Anakapalli.

To
The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Visakhapatnam Circle,
Visakhapatnam.

Sir,

- Sub:- Diversion of 2.40 ha of forest land in Pothukonda RF in Anakapalli Division for development of Sree Sree Sree Bhuvaneswari Devi Aaradhanapeetam in favour of Om Bhuvaneswari Sanstan Trust, Anakapalli Proposals under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 Additional information called for submission Regarding.
- Ref:- 1. Special Secretary to Government, GoAP, EFS&T (Section-II), Department Memo no.4621/Section-II/2018/ (657656), dt:29.06.2022
 - Prl. CCF & HoFF A.P. Guntur Rc.no. EFS02 -15041/19/2021- FCA-SEC PCCF/FCA-3,, dt:09.05.2022.
 - 3. DFO, Anakapalli Rc.no.1625/2017-TO, dt:28.11.2022
 - 4. Om Bhuvaneswari Sanstan Trust, Sree Sree Bhuvaneswari Devi Aaradhanapeetam, Anakapalli
 - Special Secretary to Government, GoAP, EFS&T Memo No.4621/Section-II/2018/657656, dt:10.03.2023
 - Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P. Mangalagiri Rc.no. 8005/2017/FCA-3, dt:27.03.2023 & 30.05.2023.
 - 7. CCF, Visakhapatnam Rc.no.2845/2018/TO, dated.20.06.2023
 - FRO, Anakapalli Rc.no.18/2022AKP, dt:21.08.2023.

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In continuation of this office reference 3rd cited, I submit that, in the reference 6th cited, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P. Mangalagiri has instructed to furnish the following additional information / clarification for consideration of the proposal. In the reference 7th cited, the Chief Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam has instructed to submit the additional information to this office for taking further action in the matter.

In the reference 8th cited, the Forest Range Officer, Anakapalli has reported that she has personally inspected the area on 19.08.2023 along with the concerned Section staff and submitted the following information as detailed below:-

| SI. | Question | Reply |
|----------|---|---|
| no. 3 | As reported, the UA is a private entity and the trust is not published U/s 6(c) of the A.P.C. & H.R.I. & Endowments Act 30/1987. Further, activities proposed by the UA are non-site specific in nature and as such, diversion of such pristine forest area non site specific purpose is not advisable. Hence, it is requested that the proposal may kindly be re-examined and re-submitted after revising the proposal with the barest minimum (only the area wherein already religious structures claimed to be existing and the road portion) along with all relevant documents accordingly with proper justification. | It is submitted that, Sree Sree Sree Bhuvaneswari Devi Aradhanapeetam was existing in Aripaka Village of Sabbavaram Mandal, Anakapalli District. The present place is the born place of the Goddess and holy place which is worshipped by the local / surrounding villagers for the last 50 years. It is further submitted that, the user agency has reported that, as per the instructions / suggestions / advises of the Central Government the proposal was revised and restricted from 2.40 ha to 1.58 ha. Hence, revised extent of forest area over an extent of 1.58 ha may be considered as barest minimum for the project. Further it is submitted that, the following conditions/precautions insisted to the user agency should be taken up during the process of the proposals then only the temple |
| | purpose is not advisable. Hence, it is requested to reexamine and resubmit the proposal after revising the proposal with the barest minimum (only the area wherein already religious structures claimed to be existing in the area and road portion may be proposed) and may submit all relevant documents accordingly with proper justification and may instruct the UA to carry out such activities out of the forest area. | proposal under FC Act, 1980 may be considered, subject to following conditions; (i) No residential building shall be constructed in the forest area; (ii) No person other than supervisory level and security personnel shall stay in the premises after sun set; |

The detailed breakup of the forest area proposed for diversion are as follows:

| SI. no. | Component | Area in Hectares |
|------------|--|------------------|
| a | Construction of temple | 0.45 |
| b | Center for Serving food Annadana Satram (Sheds) | 0.10 |
| С | Wash rooms Ladies /Gents | 0.01 |
| D | Yagasala + Spiritual discourses Centers | 0.09 |
| E | Pilgrims waiting place | 0.06 |
| F | Maha Naivedyam preparation centre | 0.01 |
| G | Pilgrims health clinic | 0.01 |
| Н | Pilgrims utility etc., | 0.02 |
| I | Pilgrims old people & children's waiting hall | 0.01 |
| J | Core area of temple | 0.17 |
| | Total area proposed for Temple and other amenities in the RF | 0.93 |
| | Road area fallen in RF | 0.65 |
| | Total area proposed for road and temple | 1.58 |

this connection, I request the Chief Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam to kindly forward the additional information to the Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P., Mangalagiri for taking further action in the matter.

I am enclosing herewith the revised approved DGPS map for 1.58 ha diversion of forest land and the user agency submitted additional information is enclosed herewith for favour of information.

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

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

District Forest Officer Anakapalli

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OM BHUVANESWARI SANSTHAN TRUST

Affiliated to:

Regd. No. 104/2016

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Ref:

Date: 17.07.2023

To.

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| | purpose is not advisable. Hence, it is requested to reexamine and resubmit the proposal after revising the proposal with the barest minimum (only the area wherein already religious structures claimed to be existing in the area and road portion may be proposed) and may submit all relevant documents accordingly with proper justification and may instruct the UA to carry out | Proposal may be considered, subject to following conditions; (i) No residential building shall be constructed in the forest area; (ii) No person other than supervisory level and security personnel shall stay in the premises after sun set; (iii) In case of any religious functions involving gathering | |

such activities out of the forest area.

of more than 100 person at a time, the UA shall take prior permission of the

(iv) No vehicle parking shall be allowed inside the forest area and all vehicles shall be parked in the revenue land and the UA shall make necessary arrangement for

Forest Department to do so;

 (v) No commercial activities shall be carried out in the temple premises;

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Thanking you sir,,

Yours faithfully,

Managing Trustee
Om Bhuvaneswari Sansthan Trust
Sree Sree Sree Bhuvaneswari Devi

Aradhana Peetham Visakhapatnam.



