

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sec.II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.1059/Section. II/2020

Dated:16.08.2021

From

The Secretary to Government
EFS&T Department,
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,
Amaravati-522503.

To

The Inspector General of Forests (Central)
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada,
Green House Complex, Gopal Reddy Road,
Vijayawada-520010 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub:EFS&T Dept - Diversion of 0.99 ha. of forest land in
Compart.No.332, Rangapuram RF, Kurnool division for providing BT
surface to the road from R.S. Rangapuram to Yaganti (via) Ambapuram
Katikavanikunta of Betamcherla (M), Kurnool District in favour of
Executive Engineer, PRI, Kurnool- Clearance under Section-2 of F(C)Act,
1980- Requested - Reg.

Ref:1)From the PCCF(HoFF), A.P., Lr. Rc.no.EFS02-15034/51/2018/FCA
SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, Dated:29.02.2020.

2)State Govt.Letter No.1059/Sec.II/2020, EFS&T(Sec.II) Dept., dt.23.02.2021.

3)From GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada, Lr.F.No.4-APB107/2021 VIJ/32,
dated.16.04.2021.

4)The GoI, MoEF& CC, IRO, Vijayawada, Lr.No.4-APB127/2021-VIJ/50,
Dt.30.07.2021.

5) The GoI, MoEF& CC, IRO, Vijayawada, Lr.No.4-APB126/2021-VIJ/48,
Dt.30.07.2021.

I invite your attention to the reference 2nd cited, wherein State Government forwarded statutory proforma proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.99 ha. of forest land in Compt.No.332, Rangapuram RF, Kurnool division for providing BT surface to the road from R.S. Rangapuram to Yaganti (via) Ambapuram Katikavanikunta of Betamcherla (M), Kurnool District in favour of Executive Engineer, PRI, Kurnool, to the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada, for according necessary approval in the matter.

2. But, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada in the reference 3rd cited, while quoting 16 road proposals which fall under the category of LWE districts, has requested to identify suitable non forest area for compensatory afforestation details including map, DGPS co-ordinates, KML file, CA scheme, and site suitability certificate etc., for further consideration of the proposals, as the General Approval for LWE Districts has expired on 31.12.2020. The instant proposal is one of them.

3. In this regard, I am to inform that the instant road proposal is for diversion of forest land less than one hectare only, whereas remaining 15 road proposals are for diversion of forest land more than hectare. As per para 2.6 of the comprehensive guidelines issued by Government of India, vide letter in F.No.dt.28.03.2019, compensatory afforestation land may not be required for diversion of land up to one hectare. Recently, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada, has accorded Stage-I approval for diversion of forest land less than one hectare without insisting the CA land vide in the references 4th & 5th cited.

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4. In view of the above, I request you consider the instant proposal and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.99 ha. of forest land in Compt.No.332, Rangapuram RF, Kurnool division for providing BT surface to the road from R.S. Rangapuram to Yaganti (via) Ambapuram Katikavanikunta of Betamcherla (M), Kurnool District in favour of Executive Engineer, PRI, Kurnool, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

N. Jagadeeswaru
for Secretary to Government



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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

