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No. FLD- 2022 /C.R.129/F-10
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032.
Date: 08/12/2025.

To,
The Secretary,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Government of India,
New Delhi.

Sub:- Forest Land-Kolhapur

Disforesration of 76.17 ha Reserved Forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 of village Mahlharpeth, rehabilitation of village Kolane, Tal Patan, Dist. Satara from Chandoli National Park of Sahyadri Tiger Reserves of Maharashtra.

Ref: 1. Your Office Letter, Dt. 27.06.2025.

2. APCCF & Nodal Officer Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S1/PID-14987/Kolhapur 25-26/2032/Nagpur, Dt.28.11.2025.

MoEF&CC, Government of India has sought comprehensive justification on 5 point with respect to proposal for Disforesration of 76.17 ha. Reserved Forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 of village Mahlharpeth, rehabilitation of village Kolane, Tal Patan, Dist. Satara from Chandoli National Park of Sahyadri Tiger Reserves of Maharashtra vide letter under reference no.1.

2. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State. Nagpur has submitted compliance report to the Government of Maharashtra vide letter under reference no.2. Compliance Report submitted by the APCCF & Nodal Officer is self-explanatory and attached herewith for further necessary action in the matter..


(Subhash Rathod)

**Under Secretary to the
Government of Maharashtra**

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2. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur.
3. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Sangli/Satara.
4. Chief Conservator of forests & Field Director STR, Kolhapur.

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No.Desk-17/FCA-S1/PID-149807/Kolhapur/25-26/2032

Nagpur - 440 001, Date: 28/11/2025

To,

**The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests),
Revenue & Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai-32.**

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2) The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur letter No.D-6/Nocell/Kolne /ID-13256/25-26/1239, Dated 10/11/2025.

The Government of India, MoEF&CC, Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi vide letter under reference No. 1 has sought comprehensive justification on v points.

Accordingly, The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Kolhapur vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted the compliance reports to this office. The same may be submitted as under:

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i)	Why a unified and holistic proposal for the entire relocation of Village Kolane cannot be submitted, considering it involves the relocation of people from the same village. The State shall also clarify as to how the disaggregated processing of diversion proposals will ensure the effectiveness of the rehabilitation process to make the entire area inviolate.	There are total 79 Project affected persons (PAPs) for village Kolane. Out of these 48 PAPS are being settled in Satara district and 24 PAPS are being settled in Sangli district as per land availability. The PAPs have voluntarily opted for the land parcels in different districts. Each of the districts is being governed by a separate Divisional Forest Officer hence two separate proposals have been prepared. Once then proposals for both the districts are cleared, all the PAPs from village Kolane will be rehabilitated and hence the entire area inside the Tiger Reserve will become inviolate.
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In view of the above facts, the aforesaid compliance submitted for further necessary action.

Encl.: As above (2 copies)

(Naresh Zurmure)

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer

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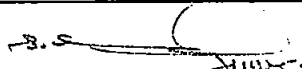
Ref: -1. Letter dated 27.06.2025 from GOI, MOEF&CC, (FC Division), New Delhi
2. Letter No.A/D-6/land/2025-26/1115, Dated 16.10.2025 from DCF, Satara

GOI, MoEF&CC, (FC Division), New Delhi vide letter dated 27.06.2025 raised few queries. DCF Satara vide reference 2 submitted the query compliance, as shown below

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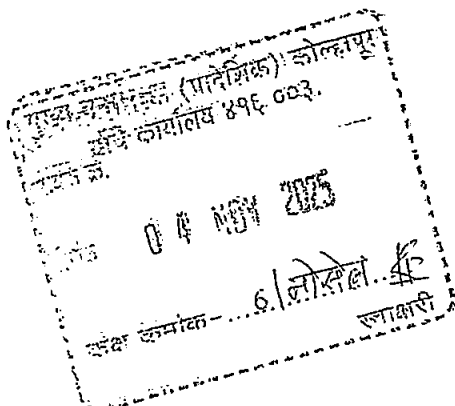
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