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To,

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

Sub: - Proposal for the diversion of area 63.091 ha forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for disforestation of forest land at Village Kagal, Tal. Kagal, Dist. Kolhapur for rehabilitation of Village Nivale in Chandoli Wildlife Sanctuary of the State of Maharashtra.

Ref: - 1. GOI, MOEF&CC, (FC Division), New Delhi letter No.8-22/2022-FC Dated 16.11.2023.
2. Your office letter D-17/FCA-51/PID-121398/Kolhapur/2456 Dated 21.11.2023
3. This office letter D-6/Nocell/L.Tekadi/23-24/2524 Dated 22.11.2023
4. DCF, Kolhapur letter No.A/Nodal/2023-24/1541 Dated 24.01.2024.

GOI, MoEF&CC, (FC Division), New Delhi vide letter dated 16.11.2023 raised few queries. DCF Kolhapur vide reference 4 submitted the query compliance, as shown below

Sr. No.	Points	Remark
i	As per DSS analysis it has been reported that the State Govt. informed that an approach road connecting the mine falls in gat No.536 which is outside the boundary of the forest area. However, as per revised KML file submitted by the State Govt. the part of existing mine is falling in the forest land. Moreover, an approach road connecting the existing mine is passing through the forest land. Therefore the State Govt. shall revisit the KML file and submit a detail report in this regard.	1. Approach Road connecting mines does not fall in Gat - 536 as per Land Records Map. Gat no 536 is not even near by the forest area referred. 2. Approach Road connecting mines fall out side forest area in Gat No. 213, 214,215. The part existing road of the mines which was earlier in gat no. 213 was since completely closed. Hence the agency is using road in private area outside the forest boundary. 3. The existing mines do not fall with in the forest boundary. The corrected KML file is enclosed. Attached as Annexure- I. 4. Revised KML soft copy is enclosed after ground Truthing.
ii	As per DSS analysis it has been reported that the State Govt. informed that the mine falls in gat No.536 whereas as per the DGPS map the said mine falls in Gat No. 216, 217 and 218. Therefore, the same needs clarification.	As per DSS maps mines area falls in Gat No 536 but as per land records map, Gat No.536 is not even near by the forest area referred. Mines area falls in 216, 217 and 218 as seen in the revised KML.
iii	Again the KML file of 159.30 ha. village	The KML file of 159.30 ha. Village 'Nivale' is

	'Nivale' located in Chandoli National Park has not been submitted and same needs submission.	attached herewith in CD.
iv	The State govt has requested for waiving off the requirement of plantation as the forest department has already got 154 ha. inviolate area. However, the area proposed for diversion is actually an area where Compensatory Afforestation has been done against another project. The State has not given any justification as to how the loss of Compensatory afforestation done against Patgaon Irrigation Project will be made good. The State shall examine the matter and submit the requisite details.	The 63.091 ha. forest land at kagal, which is proposed for diversion is actually on area where Compensatory afforestation has been done against Patagaon irrigation project. The forest department has already got 159.30 ha. inviolate area inside the Chandoli National Park. The forest department will take up plantation of suitable fruit species in 63.091 ha. land out of 159.30 ha. inviolate area obtained because of relocation. The plantation will be taken up in such a way that it will create suitable habitat for wildlife as well.

Encl: As above.



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