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Nagpur - 440 001,

Date:- 9/02/2026

To,

The Deputy Director General (Central)
Ministry of Environment Forests, and Climate Change,
New Secretariat Building,
Civil Lines, Nagpur-440001

Sub:-Forest Land- Nashik

Diversion of 3.48 ha forest land under Forest (Conservation), 1980 for Gravity Scheme Nanashi Link Cut/Canal in Village, Nanashi, Tahasil, Dindori, Dist. Nashik in the State of Maharashtra (FP/MH/IRRIG/48480/2020)

- Ref:-**
1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur letter dated 31/10/2022 of F.No.-FC-I/MH-293/2022-NGP/10510.
 2. The Chief Conservator of Forests, (T) Nashik letter No.Desk-2/land/C.N. 04/1245. dt.22/2/2023 and Letter No. 1192 dt. 21/01/2026

Sir,

The Government of India MoEF& CC, IRO, Nagpur Office vide letter under reference No.1 has sought query Accordingly, the Chief Conservator of Forest (T), Nashik vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted the compliance reports for the same is being submitted as under:-

S.No.	Queries	Compliance
1.	Component wise area calculation statement is not submitted along with the proposal. The same needs to be submitted.	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik division Nashik and forwarded by the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik, mentioned that the user agency has submitted Component wise area calculation Statement is attached herewith. Annexure – I (P/239-241)
2.	CA scheme is not submitted along with the proposal, only abstract has been submitted. Site specific CA scheme for 10 years shall be prepared and submitted.	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik division Nashik and forwarded by the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik, mentioned that the site specific CA scheme for 10 years is prepared by Forest Department. The details as given below. The 3.48 Ha. Afforestation work will be done on compensatory non- forest land Survey/ Gut. No. 13 of Holdar Nagar, Thl. Trimbak Nashik Range. The said land is adjoining Forest land. Annexure- II (P/201-237) In this compensatory land parcel, 1.5 ha. Is workable (1000 plants/per hectare norm as per FCA guideline 2019 Para. 2.4 (vi) on Page No. 46. Annexure- III

		<p>(P/197-199) So, User Agency has provided undertaking vide Letter No. Outward/MIDN/ Nanashi-F/832, dated 9/3/2022 to provide for additional afforestation on degraded forest land of 7 hectare at Survey no.73 and 87 of Vinchurdalvi, Taluka Nashik, Nashik Range.</p> <p>Annexure- IV (P/193-195) Hence, Compensatory Afforestation Scheme (for 10 years) on compensatory non-forest land of 3.48 hectare Survey/ Gut No.13 of Holdar Nagar, The Trimbak Nashik Range has been attached herewith Along with it, afforestation Scheme on double degraded forest land 7 hectare at Survey No. 73 and 87 of Vinchurdalvi, Taluka Nashik, Nashik Range has been attached herewith. Annexure- V (P/147-191)</p>
3.	DCF, West Nashik has mentioned in his Part- II that there is presebce of White Rumped Vulture, Long Billed Vulture and Leopard which are Schedule-I species. Specific comments from PCCF (Wildlife) in this regard needs to be submitted.	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik division Nashik and forwarded by the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik, mentioned that, the Wildlife Management Plan (Rs.69.04 lakh), the Soil and Water Conservation Plan (Rs.6.85 lakh), and the construction of a bridge over the canal for wildlife (Rs.30.00 lakh), total amount Rs.105.89 lakh, have been approved by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letter No. Desk-23(2)/WL/ Survey/ C.R.No.226/2877 dated 13/11/2025. The copy of said letter is attached herewith Annexure-VI(P/263-265)
4.	DCF, West Nashik has mentioned in his certificate that the proposed site is barest minimum and is most suitable from Technical, Economical and from Forest point of view, In this regard, comparative statement viz, activities to be carried out depth of cutting, amount of muck generating and its disposal shall be submitted.	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik division Nashik and forwarded by the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik, the user agency has given comparative statement is attached with Annexure – VII (P/137)
5.	DCF, West Nashik has mentioned in his Part –II that in the joint inspection report it is mention that, alternative land with minimal diversion of forest area is available if the diversion canal is made through Gut No. 194 and Gut No.196. This option would not only reduce the total area needed for diversion (Forest or otherwise), but also reduces the total project cost. However, the alignment will run through Nanashi village. The Local MLA, on behalf of villagers, has requested to not divert the land for the said project, Comments from State Government in this regard is required.	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik division Nashik and forwarded by the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik, mentioned that, the alternative land with minimal diversion of forest area through tunnel was available if the diversion canal was made through Gut No. 194 and Gut No.196. However, as the alignment runs through Nanashi village, to avoid the damage to houses and buildings and to avoid the financial loss and loss of life it is rejected. It is rejected from technical and financial point of view. The Local MLA also, on behalf of villagers has requested not to construct the alignment through Nanashi village. Annexure-VIII (P/ 261)

6.	Details of alternative alignments explored, justification for selecting the proposed alternative and reasons for discarding other alternatives is not submitted.	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forests, East Nashik division Nashik and forwarded by the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik, mentioned that, there is not alternative available except the proposed alignment as the canal is gravity canal. Justification for locating the proposed alignment is attached herewith Annexure-IX. (P/257)
7.	Cross sectional map of the canal is not submitted along with the proposal.	A copy of Cross Sectional Map and KML CD is enclosed herewith Annexure- X. (P/125-129)

This is for your information and further necessary action.

Encl: As above

Ch. 3/2/26

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Additional Principal Chief Conservator of
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Copy Submitted for information to:-

1. The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests), Revenue and Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai -32.

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1. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nashik.
2. The Deputy Conservator of Forest, West Nashik Division
3. Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation Division, Nashik