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Date :-

10/04/2026

LETTER

To,

**Deputy Conservator of Forests (T)
Shahapur**

Subject :- Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (i) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of JSW Energy PSP Two Limited for non-forestry use of 243.74 ha. of forest land (Reserved Forest, Protected Forest and Private Forest) for Bhavali Pumped Storage Project (1500 MW) in Thane & Nashik District in the State of Maharashtra (Online Proposal No.FP/MH/HYD/ 153240/2022) – regarding.

Reference:- 1) Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change New Delhi's letter no.8-06/2025-FC, dtd.17/03/2026
2) Deputy Conservator of Forests, West Nashik Division letter No. Desk-3/Land/Campa/2753/2025-26, dated 25/03/2026

The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office (IRO), Nagpur has raised queries vide letter under Reference No. 01

Accordingly, Deputy Conservator of Forests, West Nashik Division has submitted the compliance vide letter under Reference No.2. This office agrees with the same.

2.00 Five sets of queries compliance reports are attached herewith for information and further necessary action.

Encl:- As above 5 sets.


(G.Mallikarjuna)
**Chief Conservator of Forests (T)
Nashik**

Copy submitted to :- Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur for information and necessary action.

Copy forwarded to :- Chief Conservator of Forests (T) Thane for information and necessary action.

Copy forwarded to :- Deputy Conservator of Forests, West Nashik for information and necessary action.

Copy forwarded to :- JSW Energy PSP Two Limited at JSW centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East) Mumbai – 400 051 for information and necessary action.



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उंटवाडी वन वसाहत आवार, संभाजी चौक, नाशिक 422002

Letter No Desk-3/Land/ 2753/ 2025-26

Date:- 25/03/2026.

To,
The Chief Conservator of Forest (T),
Nashik

Subject:- Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (0) (0) of the Van (San rakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of JSW Energy PSP Two Limited for non-forestry use of 243.74ha. (Shahapur Division 18145 ha and West Nashik Division 62.29 Ha) of forest land (reserved forest, protected forest and private forest) for Bhavali Pumped Storage Project (1500 MW) in Thane & Nashik District in the State of Maharashtra (Online proposal No. FP/MH/HYD/153240/2022)- regarding submission of EDS compliance issued on 17.03.2026.

- Ref:** 1) MoEF& CC Letter no. 8-06/2025-FC dated 17.03.2026.
2) Nodal office, Nagpur letter no-17/SI/PID- 153240/Thane/308 1/2 025-26 dated 20.03.2026.
3) CCF Thane office forwarding outward no. Desk-10/FCA/A-20/CR-80//438/25-26 dated 20.03.2026.
4) DCF shahapur Division letter no Desk-10/FCA/4284 /Dated-24.03.2026.
5) JSW Letter no.JSW/PSP-BHAVALI/FC/2025-26/76/Dated-25/03/2026.

Sir,

This is with reference to the observations raised by MoEF&CC vide letter dated 17.03.2026 regarding the above-mentioned proposal. The point-wise compliance is as follows:

| Sr No | Query Raised | Compliance |
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| 1. | As per the component-wise breakup of the forest land proposed for diversion, 40.91 ha of forest land has been proposed for muck dumping and job facilities. The State Government shall explore the possibility of shifting of Such non-site specific activities on Non-forest lands. | The query is related to Shahapur forest division. |
| 2. | As per the component-wise break-up, 0.77 ha of forest land has been proposed for the approach road to the upper dam and 39.162 ha for the approach road to the lower dam. The State Government shall re-examine the requirement of forest land for these roads, reassess and optimize the requirement of forest land for construction of the roads with regard to the gradient and width of road, and further explore the possibility of realigning the road to non-forest land. | The area of 0.77 ha forest land from West Nashik Division has been proposed for an approach road to the upper dam. Based on the site inspection & the justification provided by the user agency considering site conditions, gradient etc., the required area is restricted to the minimum. The area of 39.162 ha required for approach road to lower dam falls under Shahapur forest division. |

This above information is submitted for further necessary action

Siddesh Sawardekar

(Siddesh Sawardekar)
Deputy Conservator of Forests,
West Nashik Division

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Copy to : Deputy Conservator of Forest, Shahapur Division, For information and nessessary action.

Copy to: M/s JSW Energy PSP Two Limited, for Information.

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