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

Letter No.2380 / Section.II/2020/1308140

Dated 10.08.2023

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The Special Secretary to Government, EFS&T Department, A.P.Secretariat, Amaravati.

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 3.11 ha. of forest land in Compt. Nos.1287, 1288, 1289 & 1335 of Pedavalasa RF, Narsipatnam Division for formation and BT to the road including construction of culverts from Ebulam-Pedavalasa road to Suravaram in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU) Division, Visakhapatnam - Clearance under Section-2 of F(C)Act, 1980-Additional information sought – Submission of - Reg.

Ref: 1)From the PCCF(HoFF), A.P., Lr.Rc.no.EFS02-15034/31/2019/FCA–SEC PCCF/FCA-3, Dated:02.12.2020.
2)State Govt.Lr.No.2380/Sec.II/2020/1308140, EFS&T(Sec.II) Dept., dated 08.03.2021.
3)From the GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada, Lr.F.No.4-APB107/2021-VIJ/32, dated 16.04.2021.
4)From the PCCF & HoFF, Lr.Rc.No.EFS02-15034/31/2019/FCA-SEC PCCF/FCA-3, dated 26.07.2023.

With reference to your letter 3rd cited, I am to inform that the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force in the reference 4th cited (copy enclosed), has stated that the user agency has identified non-forest land over an extent of 24.04 ha in field no.147, Aram village of Dumbriguda (M), Paderu Division for compensatory afforestation purpose for the following (8) road projects.

Sl.No	Name of the road proposal	Area applied for diversion	Non-forest land identified for CA
1	R & B Road to Gullelu to Kandrangu (Kondru)	3.89	3.89
2	Dharakonda to Durgam via Jajipakalu	4.24	4.29
3	GK Veedhi to Marripakalu	3.67	3.72
4	Kunukuru to Nallaballi	3.30	3.31
5	R & B road to Gurralagondi	1.72	1.88
6	Wangasara to Vamugendda Kothuru	1.73	1.73
7	Chowdepalli to Jerrilla	1.90	1.98
8	Ebulam Pedavalasa to Suravaram	3.11	3.24
Total		23.56	24.04

Out of the above (8) road proposal for which NFL offered for CA, the user 2. agency has submitted proposals in case of sl.no.1 & 2 in PARIVESH 2.0. Out of these two proposal, one proposal at sl.no.2 was submitted to the Government in PARIVESH 2.0 for onward submission to the Gol, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada for further action. In the remaining 6 proposals which are under process, the user agency has identified non-forest land for the subject proposal which is mentioned at sl.no.8 in PARIVESH 1.0.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Paderu inspected the non-forest land identified for 3. compensatory Afforestation purpose on 20.01.2022. The CA area is located on northern side of Dumbriguda to Thutangi road in Kandrum beat. The CA land is located at 750 m. away from the Dumbriguda RF (Compt. no.109) which is the nearest RF. The land status of CA land as per revenue records is Kondaporamboku. The CA area is located on top of hill which is fully covered with vegetation and rock boulders. The CA land is rich in biodiversity.

The Non-forest land identified for compensatory afforestation is covered with 4. moderately dense vegetation (Canopy density 0.5-0.6), there is no scope for taking up Compensatory afforestation in AR model (Block Plantation) in the non-forest land identified for compensatory afforestation land over an extent of 24.04 ha and hence the user agency followed Rule 11 of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022 for preparing CA scheme for all the above (8) projects (24.04 ha) to have uniformity. For the subject proposal, the Divisional Forest Officer, Paderu has prepared the compact CA scheme to an extent of 3.23 ha to improvement programme under ANR model with a financial out lay of 36.91 lakh for a period of 20 years including 10 years of ANR treatment and 10 years of cost of protection commencement from commencement from 2024-25 to 2043-44 as per Rule-11 of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022. CA Scheme, site inspection report of Divisional Forest Officer, Paderu has been uploaded at Nodal Officer level with this covering letter. The authenticated map and Survey of India map of non-forest land identified for CA in 1:50,000 are uploaded in the web portal.

I request you to consider the additional information and obtain and communicate 5. the approval of GoI, MoEF&CC, IRO, Vijayawada for diversion of 3.11 ha. of forest land in Compt. Nos.1287, 1288, 1289 & 1335 of Pedavalasa RF, Narsipatnam Division for formation and BT to the road including construction of culverts from Ebulam-Pedavalasa road to Suravaram in favour of Executive Engineer, PR(PIU) Division, Visakhapatnam.

Yours faithfully, for Special Secretary to Government

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri, Guntur. The Executive Engineer, PR(PIU), Visakhapatnam. SF/SC.