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Memo No. 1232 /1F (Project)- 49/2021

Dated 2 .04.2021

The Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal) O/o the PCCF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar

Sub:

To

Proposal for diversion of 13.233 ha of revenue forest land for construction of Airstrip at Malkangiri in Malkangiri district by the Executive Engineer, Malkangiri(R&B) Division, Malkangiri. (Proposal No. FP/OR/OTHERS /30494/2017)

Ref: Your Memo No.1594 /9F(others)-303/2021 dt 25.01.2021.

In inviting a kind reference to your above cited memo on the subject, it is to inform that the D.F.O. Malkangiri Forest Division vide his Memo No.1403 dt.09.04.2021(copy enclosed) has re-submitted the proposal along with compliance on the deficiencies pointed out in the proposal.

The compliance furnished by the DFO, Malkangiri Forest Division is as follows-

1. Revenue Forest Land on which C.A. is proposed shall be provided double in extent to the area proposed for diversion and shall be transferred and mutated in the name of State Forest Department. It shall be notified as Reserve Forest (RF)/Protected Forest (PF) under the Indian Forest Act, 1927 prior to Stage-II approval. Hence, it is required to identify 26.466 ha (13.233 ha X 2) of Revenue Forest land for taking up Compensatory Afforestation in lieu of diversion of 13.233 ha of forest land for construction of Airstrip at Malkangiri. The C.A. scheme prepared at the current wage rate of Rs 308/- per M.D. over 26.466 ha of identified revenue forest land should be accompanied the diversion proposal for necessary approval by the competent authority.

<u>Compliance-</u> The Revenue Forest land of 26.466 ha (13.233 ha X2) i.e. double in extent to the area proposed for diversion for Airstrip has been identified in village-Panasput under Chitrakonda Tahasil of Malkangiri district bearing Khata No.59 (AjA), Plot No.420, 422 and 465 for taking up Compensatory Afforestation.

The DFO, Malkangiri Division reports that, the action will be taken for transfer and mutation of the said land before Stage-II approval and Draft Notification will be processed for declaring the land as P.F. under the applicable rule.

A scheme for Compensatory Afforestation over 26.466 ha of revenue forest land has been prepared at the current wage rate of Rs 308/- per M.D. The Scheme along with DGPS map, Topo map, Land Schedule, Land Suitability Certificate and copy of Letter No.552/Rev-xx-05/21 dt 07.04.2021 of the Tahasildar, Chitrakonda stating the land is free from encroachment and encumbrance are annexed at page No. 94 to 107 in the diversion proposal.

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2. Please furnish the land schedule of both forest and non-forest land involved in the project with Khata No. & Plot No. duly authenticated by Tahasildar, Malkangiri according to status as on 25.10.1980 (Hal & Sabik).

Compliance- Regarding the supply of Sabik records of both forest and non-forest land involved in the construction of Airstrip, the Tahasildar, Malkangiri vide his Letter No.959 /xvii-02/2021 dt 04.03.2021 reports that " no Sabik records either of ROR and map is found available in his office. As district Malkangiri has been created from the un-divided Koraput in 1992, since then the Sabik records have not yet been supplied to his office". In this regard a copy of Letter No. 959 /xvii-02/2021 dt 04.03.2021 of the Tahasildar, Malkangiri is annexed at page No.35(A) in the diversion proposal.

3. In the site inspection report, it has been mentioned that the forest land applied for diversion is Open Forest of jungle Kisam (Revenue Land). The area is situated near Gopakonda PRF & Koilipari PRF, which is about 4.0 Km away from boundary. The said forest land has been put under Eco-value class-IV. As per Letter F.No.5-3/2007-FC dt 05.02.2009 of Gol, MoEF, New Delhi, the forest type of Eco-value class-IV consists of Tropical Thorn Forests and Tropical Dry Evergreen Forests. Therefore re-assess the eco-value class accordingly.

Compliance- The DFO, Malkangiri Forest Division In his compliance report vide Memo No.1403 dt 09.04.2021, reports that he has personally verified the Revenue Forest area proposed to be diverted for construction of Airstrip at Malkangiri and states that the land is under Eco-value class-IV and type of forest is Open Forest category.

The diversion proposal in triplicate is re-submitted herewith for favour of kind information and further action.

Encl: 1. Diversion proposal = 3 (three) sets.

2. Pdf file of the proposal in CD = 3 (three) Nos.

3. KML file in C.D. = 3 (three) Nos.

4. Copy of Memo No.1403 dt 09.04.2021 of the DFO, Malkangiri Division.

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/ Dated. 12.04.2021. Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Malkangiri Forest Division for information with reference to his Memo No. 1403 dt.09.04.2021.

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