GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA FOREST DEPARTMENT

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Ref.No. 12704/2019/FCA-3/PS Dated: 13.08.2020.

- Sub: TSFD F(C)Act, 1980– 42nd Regional Empowered Committee (REC) meeting scheduled on 14.08.2020 for three projects of Telangana – Replies and Additional Information Furnished on Agenda Notes communicated by RO, Chennai – Regarding.
- Ref:1. Agenda notes communicated by RO, Chennai through email on 10.08.20202. Pccf Ref No. 12704/2019/FCA-3/PSDated: 12.08.2020 to RO, Chennai.

Kind attention is invited to the references cited.

In continuation of the reference second cited , the following is submitted regarding Agenda No.4: Diversion of 31.084 ha of forest land in Bhadrachalam division for Road Network in Backward areas connecting Battaigudem, Rallapuram, Tippapuram, Uyyalamadugu, Bathinapally of Charla Mandal of Bhadradri Kothagudem District in favour of R&B Department.

Information Sought by RO Chennai in Fact Sheets: Point 6

The kml file in online proposal has 4 bits whereas the DFOs site inspection report mentions 5 bits of 6 roads. The various roads are not clearly labeled in the kml file and hence it is difficult to identify the exact roads on the map.

Reply of TSFD:

Two .kml files are uploaded at the portal, one for 12.5 m width for a length of 12.5013 km containing four stretches (**two stretches clubbed as one, hence five roads**) and the other for 15 m width for a length of 10.3045 km containing two stretches (**considered as one**). When displayed all these stretches are appearing as four segments, but contain six stretches. In inspection notes two stretches falling in compartment No.70 A are clubbed into one by the FDO, Bhadrachalam (**Thaliperu Dam to Rallapuram to Battigudem**). The details are as follows:

Beat	R.F. Bloc k	Comp t.	Length_k m	Width_ m	Area_Ha	Road name
Geesarelly	ĸ	70A	5.651	12.5	7.0637	Thaliperu Dam to Rallapuram to Battigudem – two roads
Uyyalamadu	sru	72	1.932	12.5	2.4160	Uyyalamadugu to Thippapuram
gu Thippapura	Pedamidisileru	71B	3.254	12.5	4.0675	Thippapuram to Battigudem
m Bathinapally	Pedan	71C	1.663	12.5	2.0787	Errampadu to Battigudem
East Thippapura m South		71B & 71 C	10.305	15	15.4575	Thippapuram to Baithanapally via Chennapuram
11 30001			Total		31.0834	

The maps with points and latitude- longitude in excel sheet along with .kmz file are enclosed for the 6 roads shown in different colors. Only Thaliperu Dam to Rallapuram to Battigudem - two roads are shown in green colour in .kmz file. Uyyalamadugu to Thippapuram shown in Cyan colour. Thippapuram to Battigudem in yellow colour. Errampadu to Battigudem in blue color and Thippapuram to Baithanapally via Chennapuram in purple color. The same shall be uploaded online.

It is submitted herewith for favour of information and necessary action.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully, Sd/- R.Sobha Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests. (Head of Forest Force) (FAC)

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Vide reference cited, the notes on three agenda items are communicated for ensuing 42nd REC meeting on 14.08.2020 through video conference. The replies on the agenda items are furnished herewith:

Agenda No.1: Diversion of 9.2219 ha of forest land in Lankapalli RF of Sathupalli division for establishment of Sathupalli Railway Station (Part) and laying of railway line (SCCL private siding) to JVR OC-II CSP between Bhadrachalam Road to Sathupally in Khammam District in favour of M/s SCCL.

The information has been furnished on the points sought by RO Dt 27.07.2020 vide PCCF's Rc.No. 12704/2019/FCA-3/PS Dated: 10.08.2020 which was mailed to RO Chennai on 10.08.2020 and again on 12.08.2020. A copy of it is enclosed. The replies are reiterated below:

S.No	Information Sought by RO Chennai	Reply		
4.	RoFR certificate has not been furnished along with the proposal.	M/s SCCL has informed that the due to COVID-19 situation prevailing, they could not get the public meeting conducted for obtaining "NO Objection Certificate" as required under RoFR Act,2006. It is confirmed with the FDO Sathupalli that there are no RoFR claims/ pattas in the proposed area.		
5.	As per the kml uploaded by the User Agency in online application, few cultivation plots can be seen within the forest area proposed for diversion. Hence, detailed report on legal status of said land utilization (i.e.encroachments / RoFR patta holders etc) may be furnished;	M/s SCCL has informed that the extent of forest land proposed for diversion for establishment of Sathupally part railway station and laying of railway track between Bhadrachalam Road to Sathupally is 9.2219 Ha. Out of this, an extent of 2.81 Ha (Acs.6-37 ³ / ₄ Gts.) is under cultivation(encroachment). The Tahsildar, Penuballi issued a certificate (enclosed) stating		

		that "As per the enjoyment survey, the cultivators (14 Ryths) in 2.81 Ha (Acs.6-37 ¾ Gts.) falling in the proposed diversion area are Not Scheduled Tribes as per the records". (Copy enclosed). It is confirmed with the FDO Sathupalli that there are no RoFR claims/ pattas in th proposed area.
6.	The Forest area proposed for diversion crossing road, hence, details of the road (RoW / earlier diverted etc) and exact extent of forest area overlapping, consent from primary agency etc shall be furnished;	M/s SCCL has informed that the proposed railway line is crossing the existing State Highway road belonging the R&B department, Government of Telangana. It is proposed to construct a ROB (Road Over Bridge) by the R&B Department over this land. The Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Sathupally has issued "No Objection Certificate" vide his Lr.No. EE/R&B/SPL/K-D Road/ROB Dt.07.08.2020. (copy enclosed). Th e following information is furnished: a. The RoW of existing road is 100 feet (~30 m). b. Extent of forest area overlapping is 0.3821 Ha. c. Construction of RoB at Railway crossing point will be taken up by the R&B department on the request of M/s SCCL on deposit basis. Tenders are called for the issue in two packages and works will be grounded on receipt of permission. Hence, there is no objection by the R&B dept for laying of Railway line on Khammam-Devarpally road at km 76/4.
		Further, M/s SCCL has stated that the proposed railway line is crossing the State Highway at Km 76/4 of Khammam-Devarapalli Road in Khammam District. It is proposed to construct Road Over Bridge (ROB) at Railway line crossing point to avoid interference to the vehicular movement at a cost of Rs.39.90 Crores. MOU was entered with Roads & Buildings(R&B) Department, Telangana for Construction of ROB on 12.06.2019.
		This road is existing prior to 1980.
7.	As per the timeline, it is evident that, date of processing at different authorities in online differs with the dates reported in hard copy. Hence, State Government may be requested to direct all concerned to follow timeline as provided under rules / guidelines issued under FCA, 1980.	

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S.No	Information Sought by RO Chennai in	Reply of TSFD
	Fact Sheets	
1.	CA scheme for DFL and map and other details are not provided in the online application.	When there are CA NFL and CA DFL for a project, only CA NFL are being displayed, though details of CA DFL are uploaded online. Since 2017, MoEF&CC, GoI, and NIC has been requested to rectify the same.
		The CA scheme uploaded at portal includes the Scheme for CA NFL and CA DFL. The Scheme for CA DFL, map and other details are enclosed for consideration.
5.	The Regional Office, vide letter dated 07.07.2020 has requested the State Govt. to submit a hard copy of the proposal and same is yet to be received.	The hardcopy proposals already furnished on 16.03.2020 and the User Agency has been requested to furnish another hard copy to RO Chennai. Same will be furnished.
6.	The kml file in online proposal has 4 bits whereas the DFOs site inspection report mentions 5 bits of 6 roads. The various roads are not clearly labeled in the kml file and hence it is difficult to identify the exact roads on the map.	Two .kml files are uploaded at the portal, one for 12.5 m width for a length of 12.5013 km containing four stretches and the other for 15 m width for a length of 10.3045 km containing two stretches. When displayed all these six stretches are appearing as four segments, but contain six stretches. In inspection notes two stretches falling in compartment No.70 A are clubbed into one by the FDO, Bhadrachalam. The screenshots are enclosed herewith.
7	This is a proposal for creation of new roads from the earthern surface paths at present. One road is proposed for a width of 15M and the remaining roads are for a width of 12M. The necessity for this width keeping in view the population in the area and the traffic density needs to be substantiated by UA with facts and figures.	
8.	A similar proposal by the same UA was inspected by REC sub-committee and the width was reduced for 6M. (Diversion of 8.50 ha of forest land for widening of single lane road to double lane road from Khammampally to Bhupalpally from km 12/2 to 19/6 in	M length). If willing to revise the proposals, the User Agency was requested to demarcate the

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	Bhupalapally Division in favour of District R&B Officer, Jayashankar Bhupalpally District) Instructions were given to the UA to rework the proposal and submit the same for consideration. Even after a lapse of more than 6 months the same has not been submitted. UA may explain the reason for such inordinate delay.	 JS Bhupalapally and FDO, Bhupalapally can furnish the required reports for onward submission to Government of India for considering the proposal for issual of Stage I clearance vide PCCF's Rc.No. 1574/2018/FCA-2, Dt. 19.02.2020 and 26.06.2020), which is awaited. Once the User Agency demarcates the revised alignment, the information on the following will be submitted, as sought by RO, Chennai: 1. The revised enumeration list for an area of 4.2339 ha 2. Revised CA area details like map with DGPS coordinates etc. and CA Scheme as per the revised forest area to be diverted. 4. A wild life mitigation plan shall be got prepared in consultation with the DFO concerned to be implemented at the cost of the User Agency. It is also submitted that the present proposal of 31.084 ha is dealt by CE LWE R&B and the
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