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No.:Desk-17/Nodal/S1/PID-48180/Pune/3395/2023-24

Nagpur – 440 001, Dated : - 13/03/2024

To,
The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai -32

Sub:- Ex-post facto approval for diversion of 0.83 ha. of Forest land in favour of Bilt Graphic Paper Products Ltd. (BGPPL) for laying of Water Intake Pipeline (5.497 Km length in Forest Area) from Ujani back waters to BGPPL Unit-Bhigwan in Pune District in the State of Maharashtra-FP/MH/Pipeline/48180/2020-reg.

- Ref:- 1) This office letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Pune/ID-13074(25)/2943, dated 02/02/2023.
2) Government of Maharashtra letter No. FLD-1923/CR-92/F-10, dated 25/10/2023.
3) The Government of India, MoEF&CC, RO,Nagpur letter No. F.No.FC-I/MH-365/2023-NGP/12711, dated 04/01/2024.
4) This office letter No.Desk-17/Nodal/S1/PID-48180/Pune/2863, dated 08/01/2024.

Please refer above references. This office vide letter under reference No.1 has submitted proposal for Ex-post facto approval for diversion of 0.83 ha. of Forest land in favour of Bilt Graphic Paper Products Ltd. (BGPPL) for laying of Water Intake Pipeline (5.497 Km length in Forest Area) from Ujani back waters to BGPPL Unit-Bhigwan in Pune District in the State of Maharashtra to Government of Maharashtra. Accordingly, the Government of Maharashtra vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted proposal to Government of India, Regional Office.

2.0 Subsequently, the Government of India, Regional Office vide letter under reference No. 3 has informed that the proposal for ex-facto approval and hence, as per the provisions of sub rule (2) & (5) of Rule 10 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023, the competent authority to deal such cases is the MoEF&CC, New Delhi. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith for needful action.

3.0 However, the Government of Maharashtra on 21/02/2024 has returned proposal to Nodal Office and remarks is stated that the *instant proposal involves work in violation of Adhiniyam as per the provisions of Van Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan Rules 2023 competency to deal with such violation cases is MoEF&CC, New Delhi. Therefore, change the Scenario for submit proposal to MoEF&CC, New Delhi.*

4.0 The said proposal is registered Parivesh 1 portal and there is no provision for change the Scenario ^{at} to this office level. It is requested to forward the proposal to MoEF&CC, New Delhi for approval under Forest (Conservaton), Act, 1980.

Encl:- As above

Handwritten signature and date: 13/12/24

(Naresh Zurmure)

**Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer**

Copy to Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Pune for information.

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests (T), Pune for information.

Copy to the Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, MSETCL, Bengali Camp, Mul Road, Chadrapur-442402 for information.