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No.:Desk-17/Nodal/S1/PID-20151/Pune/3391/2023-24

Nagpur – 440 001, Dated : 13/03/2024

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

Sub:- Diversion of 0.1305 ha. of forest land in favour of Essar Steel India Ltd., Sanaswadi for laying of underground water pipeline for industrial use and drinking purpose in Reserved Forest Gut No.152 to 155 at Village Koregaon Bhima Dingrajwadi, Tal. Shirur, Dist. Pune in the State of Maharashtra (FP/MH/IND/20151/2016)-reg.

Ref:-1) This office letter No. Desk-17/NC/II/ID-12740/(19)/26, dated 15/05/2020.

2) Government of Maharashtra letter No. FLD-1920/C.R.153/F-10, dated 03/06/2021.

3) The Government of India, MoEF&CC, RO,Nagpur letter No. F.No.FC-I/MH-237/2021-NGP/12714, dated 05/01/2024.

4) This office letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/S1/PID-20151/Pune/2891, dated 10/01/2024.


Please refer above references. This office vide letter under reference No.1 has submitted proposal for diversion of 0.1305 ha. of forest land in favour of Essar Steel India Ltd., Sanaswadi for laying of underground water pipeline for industrial use and drinking purpose in Reserved Forest Gut No.152 to 155 at Village Koregaon Bhima Dingrajwadi, Tal. Shirur, Dist. Pune 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 involves work in violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and hence as per the provision of sub (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 ^{at} Scenario ^{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

 15/5/24

(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), Junnar Forest Division, Junnar for information.

Copy to the Deputy General Manage, Essar Steel India Ltd., Gut No.740, Pune Nagpur Road
Sanaswadi, Tal.Shirur, Dist.Pune-412208 for information.