

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From  
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To  
**The Prl Chief Conservator of Forests,**  
(HoFF) Andhra Pradesh, Sankuratri  
Residency, *Agathavarampado.*  
*Guntur*

**Ref.No.1352/20116/DM, dated: 16.08.2017**

**Sir,**

Sub:- APFD - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Proposal for diversion of 3.582 Ha of Forest land in Compt. No. 645 of Nelagonda RF (combined block of Nagasamudram North block) in Ananthapuramu division for 4/6 laning of Karnataka / Andhra Pradesh Border to Gooty section of NH 63 from design Ch. 375 + 740 to Ch. 433 + 030 in the State of Andhra Pradesh in favour of Executive Engineer, (R & B), N.H. Division, Ananthapuramu - Revised tree enumeration list report submission of - Regarding.

- Ref:-
1. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Rc. No. 1697/2016/FCA-A, dated 24.03.2016.
  2. DFO, ATP Rc. No. 2112/2015/TO, dt: 19.08.2016
  3. This Office Rc. No. 1352/2016/TO, dT 20.08.2016.
  4. GoI, RO, Chennai F.No.4-APB031/2017-CHN/0871, dt 06.06.2017 communicated in Prl. CCF, A.P., Guntur Rc. No. 1697/2016/FCA-3, dat 12.06.2017.
  5. Executive Engineer, (R&B) NH Division, Ananthapuramu Lr. No. 224/JTO/2017, dated 19.07.2017.
  6. This Office Rc. No. 1352/16/TO, dated 22.07.2017
  7. SE., (R&B), NH, Ananthapuramu D.O. Lr. No. 05/SE/NH/ATP/AEE1/2017-18, dated 27.07.2017.
  8. GO. Rt. No. 170 EFS & T ( Section -II) Dept dt: 30.10.2017 was communicated in PCCF Rc. No. 1697/2016/FCA-A, dated 03.11.2017
  9. User Agency Representation ltr No. 224/JTO/2017-18dated. 16.11.2016

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It is submitted that, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited has forwarded the diversion proposals on the subject matter to the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu instructing to examine and process the proposals under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Accordingly the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited has submitted the processed proposals to this office along with the details of the abstract of enumeration of trees girth class wise existing in the proposed diverted forest land as given below:

No. of trees	Girth class wise No. of trees (in Cms)					No. of Poles	Timber in Cum	Fuel in Cum / Kgs	Total value
	Upto 30	31 to 60	61 to 90	91 to 120	Above 120				
423	261	131	31	0	0	0	5.97	6615	30550

And the DFO, has stated that, 342 Nos of Agave and 410 Bonda shrubs are existing in this proposed diversion area and the approximate fire wood value is estimated Rs. 49992/-. Hence, the total amount of Rs. 49992/- + Rs. 30550/- = Rs. 80542/-

Accordingly, vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited received proposals were submitted to the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

The Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur in their Rc. No. 1697/2016/FCA-3, dated 28.11.2016 has submitted the proposals to the Government of Andhra Pradesh for taking further action in the matter.

The Government of Andhra Pradesh in their Lr. No. 6135/Sec.II/16, dated 31.01.2017 have forwarded the proposals to the Government of India.

Further the Government of India in their F.No. 4-APB031/17-CHN/0871, dated 06.06.2017 have called for further information on details of C.A. lands like location of the degraded forest land identified over an extent of 7.164 Ha, DGPS survey maps and C.A. scheme, for processing the proposals. While communicating the copy of the GOI vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited, the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur has requested the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu to identify the degraded forest land over an extent of 7.164 Ha (i.e., double the area of diversion of the forest land) and conduct DGPS survey by the user agency and submit the DGPS survey raw data with maps for its verification and authentication. And also to submit the C.A. scheme proposals as per the guidelines under F© Act 1980.

Accordingly, the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu has submitted report stating that, the CA is identified the degraded forest land over an extent of 7.164 Ha in Compt. No. 647 of Nagasamudram (N) RF towards C.A. in lieu of diversion of forest land, and requested the Executive Engineer, (R & B), NH Division, Ananthapuramu in this office even No. dated 06.07.2017 and 17.07.2017 to conduct the DGPS survey for the C.A. land identified in the presence of the concerned field staff and submit the DGPS survey raw data with maps for its verification and authentication. But the Executive Engineer has not conducted the DGPS survey and also not furnished the DGPS raw data and mps so far, for taking further action in the matter.

Further, he has reported that, the Executive Engineer, (R & B), NH Division, Ananthapuramu in the reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited has stated that they have

noticed only 18 No. of trees with the girth of more than 30 cms which are to be felled for "Four Lanning of Road" in the proposed diversion of 3.582 Ha of forest land as against 752 numbers of trees stated in the report submitted to Government of India vide Prl. CCF Rc. No. 1697/2016/FCA-3, dated 23.11.2016.

In this regard the E.E, R&B, NH Anantapur has stated that, considering the number of trees to be felled with more than 30 cms girth and all other affected are only plants which are having girth less than 30 cm sand also considering the area of forest land to be diverted, the State Government is empowered to accord permission in LWE District for not more than 5 Ha of diversion of forest land subject to the condition of the forest area is falling outside the protected area and felling of trees is below 50 numbers per hectare. He further stated that no C.A. is required in this case as explained above.

As per report by the DFO, the Deputy Executive Engineer, (R&B), Spl. Sub-Division, Kadapa has stated that the peg marking which is done earlier is found disturbed thereby the demarcation of the proposed forest land is done on the ground again and requested the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu for revised Joint Inspection for actual detailed report on the tree enumeration.

In view of the above this office in the reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited has called for the remarks of the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu on the report of the Executive Engineer, (R&B), NH Division, Ananthapuramu regarding the tree enumeration details.

Basing of the report of the Executive Engineer, (R&B), NH Division, Ananthapuramu, the S.E., (R&B), NH, Ananthapuramu vide reference 7<sup>th</sup> cited has written D.O. letter to the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu & CCF, Anantapur to take action on the report of the Executive Engineer, (R&B), NH, Ananthapurmu.

Accordingly, the DFO, Ananthapuramu has reported that, on the request of the National Highway Authorities, the Forest Range Officer, Gooty in this office even No. dated 31.07.2017 and 09.08.2017 was instructed to inspect the area jointly with the NH Division authorities after demarcating the alignment clearly on the ground and re-enumerate the trees, species wise, girth wise in the presence of the NH Division authorities and submit the information in the prescribed proforma communicated by the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad while forwarding the proposals to the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu.

Further, the DFO has reported that, the Forest Range Officer, Gooty has submitted the report stating that he has conducted the Joint inspection along

with Deputy Executive Engineer & Assistant Executive Engineer (R&B) NH Division, Ananthapuramu on 18.08.2017 in the forest land proposed for diversion and carried out the re-enumeration of trees. The abstract of re-enumeration of trees species, girth wise is furnished below:

No. of trees	Girth class wise No. of trees (in Cms)				No. of Poles	Timber in Cum	Fuel in Cum / Kgs	Total value
	31 to 60	61 to 90	91 to 120	Above 120				
42	29	13	0	0	0	0	1485	2970

**Note :**

There are 381 small plants of Kanuga and Other Misc. species existing in Bit-2 area (2.33 Ha), which were raised during the year 2003-2004 and the total expenditure raising and maintenance of these plants i.e. Rs. 15000/-	Rs. 15000
342 No. of Agave and 410 Bonda shrubs existing the proposed diverted Forest land and the approximate fire wood value	Rs. 49992
<b>Total Rs.</b>	<b>67962</b>

Further the DFO, has stated that as per report of the FRO, Gooty, initially the tree enumeration was carried out as per the ground position existing at that time and submitted the tree enumeration details. While conducting the tree enumeration the National Highway Authorities have not attended the tree enumeration work even though prior intimation issued to the NH authorities over phone. As per the ground position existing on first time tree enumeration was carried out in view of top priority of the programme of the Government of Andhra Pradesh. Later on, on the request made by the NH authorities, the tree enumeration was carried out again in the presence of the NH Authorities after clear demarcation on the ground as mentioned above.

The variation in tree enumeration figures is due to non-proper demarcation of the alignment on the ground by the User Agency.

In this connection he has submitted that as per the tree enumeration details furnished in first proposals the total trees existing in the proposed diverted forest land are 162 Nos, which are having more than 30 cms girth class as shown below.

No. of trees	Girth class wise No. of trees (in Cms)				
	Upto 30	31 to 60	61 to 90	91 to 120	Above 120
423	261	131	31	0	0

As specified in the guidelines issued by the Government of India vide F.No. 11-9/98-FC, dated 13.02.2014, it is mentioned that for felling of trees 50 Numbers per Hectare should not be exceeded in the proposed diverted forest land in LWE affected District. Further he has submitted that as per the

instructions of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, AP, Guntur Proforma information for tree enumeration, the girth class more than 30 cms are taking into account. Accordingly trees falling in the forest land proposed for diversion are 162 Nos, i.e, 45 Nos per Ha which is below the 50 Nos per Ha.

After re-enumeration of trees the details of the trees girth wise, class wise are as follows:

No. of trees	Girth class wise No. of trees (in Cms)			
	31 to 60	61 to 90	91 to 120	Above 120
42	29	13	0	0

As per the above statement, the trees falling in the proposed forest land are 42 Nos i.e., 12 Nos per Ha which is less than 50 Nos per hectare. The report of the DFO, Anantapur along with tree enumeration statement submitted is herewith submitted for favour of information and necessary instructions for action.

Further, it is submitted that, vide reference 8<sup>th</sup> cited, the Prl Chief Conservator Of Forests, AP, Guntur has communicated, the GO Rt No. 170, EFS & T (Section-II) Dept, dt: 30.10.2017 which is Stage -I approval accorded for diversion of forest land of the subject matter.

Further it is submitted that, the User Agency has submitted representation vide reference 9<sup>th</sup> cited requesting for uploading of proposals in Ministry's Website which is received from the Divisional Forest Officer, Anantapuram vide reference 6<sup>th</sup> cited for further process at this stage.

This is submitted for favour of information and necessary action.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

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Anantapuram Circle, Ananthapuramu

  
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