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To,

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur.

Sub: - Proposal for the diversion of area 63.091 ha forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for disforestation of forest land at Village Kagal, Tal. Kagal, Dist. Kolhapur for rehabilitation of Village Nivale in Chandoli Wildlife Sanctuary of the State of Maharashtra.

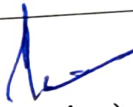
Ref: - 1. GOI, MOEF&CC, (FC Division), New Delhi letter No.8-22/2022-FC Dated 26.07.2024.
2. Your office letter D-17/FCA-51/PID-121398/Kolhapur/1067 Dated 31.07.2024
3. DCF, Kolhapur letter No.A/Nodal/2024-25/563 Dated 7.08.2024.

GOI, MoEF&CC, (FC Division), New Delhi vide letter dated 26.07.2024 raised few queries. DCF Kolhapur vide reference 3 submitted the query compliance, as shown below

Sr. No.	Points	Remark
i	The justification for seeking approval for a village already relocated in the year 1999.	The 73 PAP's from Nivale Village (Inside Chandoli National Park) were rehabilitated in the year 1998-99 as per the special Government Resolution dated 31 March, 1995. The Maharashtra Project Affected Persons Rehabilitation Act, 1999 and Government of Maharashtra, Government Resolution dated 17 th July, 2000 issued for villages relocated from Sanctuary/ National Park. As per the Guidelines the PAPs were supposed to be given alternate agricultural land in lieu of the land acquired and further notified as forest land inside Chandoli. Till date no alternate agricultural land have been given to these 73 PAP's of Nivale Village relocated in Galgale Village of Kagal Taluka. The Beneficiaries/PAP's have selected the said forest patch for agricultural purpose and hence the same was recommended by the State Government.
ii	The justification for seeking 53.45 ha land for agriculture now instead of 16 ha proposed earlier on revenue land.	The total of 53.45 ha is necessary for agricultural purpose for 73 PAP's. The list is enclosed. In order to minimize the diversion of forest land, available 16 ha Revenue land (acquired from the villages for relocation purpose) in and around Village Galgale was identified for some of PAP's. Due to Hon'ble High Court orders the same was stayed and was returned back to the original land holders. Since the proposed site will

		suffice the total demand of 53.45 ha. agricultural land for entire 73 PAP'S and the same was also selected by these beneficiaries, the said forest patch 63.091 ha. was proposed for diversion (53.45 ha. agricultural land, Main approach 0.261 ha. and internal approach road 9.35 ha.)
iii	The Regional office has recommended the proposal subject to condition that the purpose for which the diversion is proposed (i.e. agriculture) should not be changed. Further, the approval is subject to conditions mentioned in para 12.8 and 12.9 of the guidelines. The State shall give its comments/recommendations in this regard.	It is confirmed that the 63.091 ha. forest land proposed for diversion will be used only for agricultural land distribution for the PAP's of Galgale Village (Nivale Village of Chandoli National Park). The breakup of 63.091 ha is given as below. 53.45 ha. agricultural land, 0.261 ha. for Main approach to agricultural land and 9.35 ha. will be used for internal approach roads to the agricultural land.

Encl: As above.


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