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No. Desk-17/Nodal/Pune/ID12824(21)/2726/2022-23

Nagpur – 440 001, Date : 18/01/2023

To,

The Deputy Director General (Central)
Ministry of Environment, Forests, and Climate Change,
Regional Office, Ground Floor, East Wing,
New Secretariat Building,
Civil Lines, Nagpur-440001

Sub :- Diversion of 17.25 ha. Forest land in favour of MSETCL, Pune for construction of proposed 400 KV D/C Line from 400 KV Jejuri substation to proposed 400 KV Hinjewadi substation in Pune District in the State of Maharashtra (FP/MH/TRANS/9859/2015).

- Ref- 1) Government of India, MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur vide letter No. F.No. FC-II/MH-159/2021-NGP/8158, dated.14/06/2021.
2) The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Pune letter No.4/4(2)/Land/FCA-268/2022-23/29, dated 21/04/2022 & 315, dated 3/1/2023.

Sir,

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, Regional Office, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.1 has sought compliance on 10 points. Accordingly, the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Pune vide letter under reference No. 2 has submitted the compliance of shortcoming in this regard to this office. The compliance report as desired by Government of India vide letter dt.14/06/2021 is submitted as under:-

No.	Query	Compliance
i	Consolidated single KML file of entire alignment under instant proposal, duly highlighting proposed forest area for diversion has not been submitted. The same shall be submitted.	Consolidated single KML file of entire alignment under instant proposal, duly highlighting proposed forest area for diversion has now been submitted. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.I)
ii	State Government has stated in its covering letter that DCF, Pune has reported that Private Forest land involved in the project i.e.10.764 ha in Village Man, taluka - Mulshi, District-Pune proposed for diversion by the User Agency is under litigation and currently it is pending at Hon;ble Supreme Court. Current status of the case may be submitted.	Village Man, Tal Mulshi Dist Pune in Survey No.247(gat no.211), s.no.319 (gat no.262) Case No. CIVIL APPEAL NO. 005454/2019 & SLP(C) No.033691/2018 Pending (Final Hearing)-Ord. dt:18-12-2020 Online Status Print attached as (Anneuxure No.II) Village Man, Tal Mulshi Dist Pune s.no.247(gat no.211), s.no.319 (gat no.262) Case No. CIVIL APPEAL NO.005455/2019 & SLP(C) No.033783/2018 Pending (Final Hearing). dt:18-12-2020 Online Status Print attached as (Anneuxure No.III)
iii	Part-II, site Inspection Report and all other relevant certificates pertaining to Bhore Division has been signed by Sub-Divisional Forest Officer. All documents should have been signed by DCF/DFO and submitted.	Bhore is independent sub-division his controlling Officer is CCF(T) Pune. Therefore the documents are signed by Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, Bhore.
iv	Examination of KML of CA land uploaded in Parivesh portal, it is observed that portion of CA land is falling in agriculture land. The same may be revisited and correct KML file of CA land may be uploaded in Parivesh portal and soft copy of KML same shall be submitted by DCF concerned.	The revised KML file is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.IV)
v	Discrepancy is observed in non-forest land involved in the proposal. In online application it is mentioned that area of 427.0916 ha of non forest land is involved in the proposal,	The User agency in letter no.58,dt.21.02.2022 submitted report in which they mentioned 59.46 ha non-forest area of only 4 villages but in proposed work 39 villages are included having

	whereas in covering letter of State Government and also in area calculation statement it is mentioned that an area of 59.46 ha non-forest land is involved in Parivesh portal may also be done and copy of the same shall be submitted.	non-forest area 427.0916ha. Its detail is attached as (Annexure No.V)												
vi	Discrepancy is observed in number of trees proposed to be felled in the proposal. State Government has mentioned in its covering that 5832 project affected trees, whereas. in online Part-II, details of 5829 trees are provided. Discrepancy in total number of project affected tree enumeration list shall be submitted.	The revised copy of the online part-II is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.VI)												
vii	KML file of alternative alignment examined by the User Agency is not submitted along with the proposal. Soft copy of the same shall be submitted along with SoI toposheet in suitable scale.	KML file of alternative alignment examined by the User Agency is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.VII)												
viii	Cross section map is not submitted along with the proposal. The same shall be submitted.	Cross section map is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.VIII)												
ix	Certificate ensuring importance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act. 2006 is not submitted along with the proposal. Original FRA-2006 certificate along with documentary evidences in the form of copies of the resolutions of the concerned Forest Rights Committee(s). Gram Sabha(s) Sub Division Level Committee(s) recording their consent for the proposal and bearing signature of the participants shall be submitted In addition to this, English translated copies of record of proceedings of the Forest Rights Committee. Sub Division Level Committee(s) may be also be submitted.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding the compliance under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 has been applied and is under process and shall be submitted before final approval as per Government of India vide letter No.11-43/2013-FC, dt. 3/12/2018. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.IX)												
x	Details of employment potential in terms of man days of skilled. semiskilled and unskilled person on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided. The same needs to be provided by the State Government.	The Details of employment potential in terms of man days is mentioned as under:- <table border="1"> <tr> <td>1</td><td>Permanent Employees/Supervisors</td><td>6428</td></tr> <tr> <td>2</td><td>Tentative No. of Skilled Workers</td><td>13840</td></tr> <tr> <td>3</td><td>Temporary Unskilled Tentative</td><td>24860</td></tr> <tr> <td>4</td><td>Employee Semi Skilled</td><td>11120</td></tr> </table>	1	Permanent Employees/Supervisors	6428	2	Tentative No. of Skilled Workers	13840	3	Temporary Unskilled Tentative	24860	4	Employee Semi Skilled	11120
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In view of the above, it is requested that the Government of India may kindly be moved for approval under section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act-1980, at the earliest.
Encl-As above.

Yours sincerely,

(Naresh Zurmure)

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

Copy submitted to the Principal Secretary (Forests), R&FD, Mantralaya, Mumbai -32 for information.

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

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pune Forest Division, Pune for information.

Copy to the Sub-Divisional Officer, Bhore for information.

Copy to the Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division-II, Maharashtra Estate Electricity Transmission Company Ltd. Pune, MSETCL, Administrative Building, 1st Floor, 925 Kasba Peth, Pune-411011 for information.