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No: B4/GFL/FCA/SR-11/2011-12

Dated:14-07-2022

To,

Conservator of Forests,  
Kanara Circle,  
Sirsi.

Sir,

SUB: Diversion of 2.469 ha. Forest land in Hattikeri Village Sy. No:10/A1A1A Belekeri Hobali, Ankola Taluk Uttar Kannada District, Karwar Division for establishing Toll plaza with amenities (shifting from existing location at CH.117+900 to CH.131+200) in Goa-Karnataka Border and Kundapur Section of NH-66 Project Seabird (Primary User Agency) in favour of Project Director, National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) project Implementation Unit (PIU), Mangalore (Secondary User Agency)-reg.

**Proposal No:FP/KA/ROAD/33150/2018**

- REF:1) Govt. of India letter No:F.No.F(C)/11.1/17/KAR/1613 dated: 21-03-2022
- 2) Govt. of Karnataka's letter No: APG 41 FLL 2020 (E) dated: 19-04-2022
- 3) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation) & Nodal Officer,(FCA) Bangalore's letter No:KFD/HOFF/A52K (GFL)/18/ 2019-FC, E-72712 dated: 21-04-2022
- 4) Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, Mangalore's letter No: 120141/1/2011/PIU(Mnglr)/207 dated: 27-06-2022

With reference to above, the Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Regional Office, Bengaluru has sought following information vide reference cited at (1). In this regard the user agency has complied the observation and submitted the information through online is as under.

1	State Govt. letter No: FEE 41 FLL 2020(e) dated: 18-09-2021 and 04-03-2022, NHAI has not provided the proper justification for carrying out the work without approval under Forest Conservation Act, 1980.	The NHAI stated vide letter cited at reference (4) that, the construction of toll plaza was carried out as per the working permission issued by Project Seabird Authority in the forest area which was earlier diverted to Project Seabird.  During the construction, forest field official informed that, this was 2.469 ha.
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		of forest land diverted to Project Seabird. By the time inadvertently the construction was started. The mistake was not intentional and it was taken up as per the alignment. Due to the non identification of forest land, private land and Project Seabird area the construction work was started.
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The above information is submitted through online and in hard copy for further needful action.

Yours faithfully,

*[Signature]*

Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Karwar Division, Karwar

Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA) Aranya Bhavan, IIIrd Floor, Malleshwaram, 18th Cross, Bangalore for favour of kind information.

Copy to the Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, Project Implementation Unit, Door No:3-29, Bethel, Tharethota, Near Pumpwell, (NH-66), Mangalore-575005 for information.

Copy to Range Forest Officer, Ankola and Assistant Conservator of Forest, Ankola Sub-division, Ankola for information and necessary action.