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To,

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government
Forest, Ecology and Environment Department
M.S. Building, Bengaluru – 560 001

Sir,

Sub: Re-diversion of 2.469 hectare in Hattikere village F.Sy No. 10A1A1A, Belekeri Hobli, Ankola Taluk, Uttar Kannada District (Karwar Forest Division) for establishing Toll Plaza with amenities (shifting from existing location at CH. 117+900 to CH. 131+200) in Goa- Karnataka Border– Kundapur Section of NH-66 from Project Sea Bird [Primary User Agency] in favour of Project Director, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), Project Implementation Unit (PIU), Mangaluru [Secondary User Agency]
Proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/33150/2018 [FORM-A]

Ref: 1. This office letter of even number dated 19-03-2020 [Stage-I proposal] and 08-05-2023 [communication of GOI EDS Query]
2. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 41 FLL 2020 (e) dated 05-06-2020 [Stage-I proposal] and 05-05-2023 [communication dated of GOI EDS query]
3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Regional Office (Southern Zone), Bengaluru letter F.No. 4-KRB 1249/2020-BAN/267 dated 02-05-2023 [EDS query]
4. Commander PD-II for DDG (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar letter No. SB/K/NH66/Toll Plaza dated 17-05-2023 [reply to GOI EDS Query]
5. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Karwar Division letter No. B4/GFL/FCA/SR-11/2011-12 dated 13-06-2023 [reply to GOI EDS Query]
6. Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle letter No. B2/GFL/CR-324/1983-84/666 dated 28-06-2023 [online reply dated 07-07-2023 to GOI EDS Query]

With reference to the above proposal seeking Stage-I approval submitted by this office letter dated 19-03-2020 vide Ref (1) and by the Government of Karnataka letter dated 05-06-2020 vide Ref (2), the Government of India vide Ref (3) has raised an EDS Query seeking certain additional information. The same has been communicated by the Government of Karnataka vide Ref (2) letter dated 05-05-2023 to this office. Accordingly, this office letter dated 08-05-2023 vide Ref (1) has forwarded the same to the field officers.

In response, the Commander PD-II for DDG (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar vide Ref (4) and the field officers vide Ref (5) & (6) has submitted the following information.

- The requirement of land transferred/ re-diversion had emerged due to expansion of NH66 and a stretch of road passing through the core area of Naval base, Karwar. Head Quarters, Project Seabird had issued a convening order to constitute a Board of Officers for transfer of land under possession of project sea bird to NHAI and vice-versa on 29-01-2013 as NHAI had proposed for expansion of NH-66 from two lane to four lane. Accordingly, Board of Officers ascertained the Naval land and Forest land to be re-diverted for expansion of NH-66 four lane project and as per the proceedings of Board, 6.6761 Ha of forest land was envisaged to be re-diverted to NHAI from forest land leased to project sea bird/ Indian Navy by GoK vide Order No. FFD47 FGL84 Bengaluru Dated 04-12-1986. Further, considering the strategic importance of Naval base and after extensive deliberation between Project Seabird and NHAI, the toll plaza was determined to shift from Chendiya to Hattikeri Village. Accordingly, another board of officers was constituted for ascertaining the requirement of land re-diversion/ transferred to NHAI on 21-04-2014. Further, Board of Officers had determined and recommended that an area of 2.46 Ha of forest land would require to NHAI in addition to 6.676 Ha of forest land for establishment of toll plaza at Hattikeri Village. The copies of Board Proceedings is enclosed for reference. Further, the case for re-diversion of total 9.136 ha forest land and transfer of Naval land was taken up with competent authority for obtaining sanction for transfer of land.
- Government of India /Ministry of Defence(Navy) vide letter No. SB/8(I)/1051/PC/320/ D(N-III) dated 28-10-2014 had given sanction for working permission to NHAI for widening of NH-66 at Karwar. As per the Sanction order No. SB/K/Forest dated 27-11-2020, an area of 9.136 ha of forest land leased with MoD to be transferred to NHAI without any financial effect and NHAI shall take up cases with forest department to obtain statutory approval for re-diversion of forest land.
- On enquiry of Forest Clearance during formulation of MoU between Project Seabird /Ministry of Defence (Navy) and NHAI in 2017, it was intimated by NHAI that MoEF and CC has recorded in-principle approval of 6.68 ha of area for re-diversion. Further, HQ Project Seabird vide letter No. SB/6/E2/725/64/VOL-VI dated 29-09-2017 had requested CGM/NHAI to take up with forest department for re-diversion of 2.46 ha forest land on perpetual lease with Navy to NHAI and matter was persistently followed up with NHAI seeking status of approval. Further, **NHAI has intimated that MoEF and CC vide letter F(C)/11.1/17/KAR/525 dated 04-09-2020 has sought compliance report wrt 2259 ha of forest land diverted to Ministry of Defence / Project seabird since 2.469 Ha is also part of 2259 Ha.** Further, compliance report of 2259 ha forest land leased to Navy has been submitted to DCF Karwar on 27-11-2020 for onward submission to MoEF & CC. Further, CF, Kanara Circle, Sirsi has taken up case for deduction of area of forest land from the account of Project Seabird/ MoD(N) which has already been re-diverted to KRCL and NHAI vide letter SB/K/Land/Forest dated 04-08-2021.

- To summarize, as per the GoI Order on working permission and MoU established between MoD(N) and NHAI, seeking of all statutory permission required for re-diversion of forest land rests with NHAI and the requirement of extent of forest land was known in 2014. Project Seabird has permitted to utilize defence land as well as forest land complying with the instructions of GoI Order issued on 28-10-2014 and as per the MoU. Hence it is deemed inappropriate to allege violation of F(C) Act, 1980 by Project Seabird since all legal procedures / directives have been proactively followed for re-diversion of forest land with NHAI and keeping Forest Department under intimation.

Further, Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle reported that 9.20 ha of forest land which was diverted to project seabird was re-diverted to NHAI for four laning of NH-66. The MoU was signed by officials of NHAI and project seabird on 10.11.2017. In the present case the toll plaza was constructed in part of forest land which was earlier diverted to Project seabird. Inadvertently the NHAI concessionere started construction of toll plaza thinking that this was part of 9.20 ha forest land re-diverted from seabird to NHAI. When Forest Department informed the excess use of land by NHAI, then immediately NHAI submitted a re-diversion proposal for 2.469 ha on 27.04.2018. Then the nodal officer (FC) accepted the proposal and same was forwarded to MoEF& CC, Government of India for diversion of forest land. Here, there is no intentional violation on part of NHAI/Project seabird. The secondary User Agency is pursuing the proposal since 27.04.2018, for re-diversion of forest land.

The reply from Project Sea bird vide Ref (4), DCF, Karwar vide Ref (5) and CF, Kanara Circle vide Ref (6) letters are hereby enclosed to this letter.

It is requested to forward the above information to the Government of India in response to the EDS query dated 02-05-2023 for further needful.

Yours Faithfully



Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA)

Copy to the:

1. Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle Sirsi for information.
2. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Karwar Division for information.
3. Project Director, National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), Project Implementation Unit (PIU), Door No.3-29, 'Bethel', Tharethota, Near Pump Well, NH-66, Mangaluru for information.
4. The Commander PD-II for DDG (PI), PIMT (Kar), Project Seabird Naval Base, Arga, Karwar-581308 for information.

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Karnataka Forest Department

No: B2/GFL/CR-324/1983-84/666

Office of the
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Kanara Circle,
Sirsi, dated: 28-06-2023.

To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Forest Conservation)
Aranya Bhavan, Malleshwaram 18th cross,
Bangalore-560003

Sir,

SUB: Re-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.

- REF:1) Govt. of India letter No: F.No. 4 KRB 1249/2020-BAN/780 dated:07-10-2022 and 4 KRB 1249/2020-BAN/267 dated:02-05-203
- 2) 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, 26-12-2022 and 08-05-2023
- 3) Deputy Director General, (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar's letter No: SB/K/NH-66/Toll Plaza dated: 17-05-2023
- 4) Letter No.B4/GFL/FCA/SR-11/2011-12, dt:13-06-2023 of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Karwar Division, Karwar
- 5) This office letter Dated:14-03-2023,

03 JUL 2023

With reference to above, this office has submitted the name of the official involved in violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and constructed Toll Plaza in Seabird leased forest area as per reported by Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU, Mangalore vide this office letter dated: 14-03-2023 cited at reference (5).

But the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bangalore is informed vide letter cited at reference (1), that the information furnished is incomplete. Accordingly Deputy Conservator of Forests, Karwar Division has sought the name of the official involved in the violation of 2.469 ha. of forest Land which was diverted forest land to Deputy Director General, (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar violating Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

In this regard, the Deputy Director General, (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar has submitted report on the issue of re-diversion of 2.469 Ha. of forest land at Hattikeri village F.Sy.No: 10/A1A1A1 to NHAI for construction of Toll Plaza vide cited at reference (4).

As per DDG (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar,

"The information received from DCF, Karwar vide letter para 1(a) ibid wrt violation of 1980 on re-diversion of 2.469 ha forest land to NHAI and the submission of the information sought by GoI/MoEF & CC vide letter F no. 4-KRB 1249/2020 BAN 780 dated 7 October 2022 does not suffice to understand the matter since action taken report on the violation was submitted by the state government, which was not addressed to DC office and the case for re-diversion of forest land being proceed by NHAI. However not with standing the above, background of re-diversion of 9.136 ha forest land to NHAI is elaborated in succeeding paragraph.

The requirement of land transferred/ re-diversion had emerged due to expansion of NH66 and a stretch of road passing through the core area of Naval base, Karwar. HQ Project Sea bird had issued a conveying order to constitute a Board of Officers for Transfer of land under position of project sea bird to NHAI and vice-versa on 29 Jan 13 as NHAI had proposed for expansion of Nh-66 from two lane to four lane. Accordingly, Board of Officers ascertained the Naval land ND Forest land to be re-diverted for expansion of NH66 four lane project and as per the proceedings of Board 6.6761 ha of forest land was envisaged to be re-diverted to NHAI from Forest land leased to project sea bird/ Indian Navy by GoK vide order No. FFD47 FGL84 Bengaluru Dated:4 Dec 1968 further, considering the strategic importance of Naval basis and after extensive deliberation between project seabird and NHAI, the toll plaza was determined to shift from chendiya to Hattikeri village. Accordingly another board of officers was constituted for ascertaining the requirement of land re-diversion/ transferred to NHAI on 21 April 14. Further, Board of officers had determined and recommended that an area of 2.46 ha forest land would required to NHAI in addition to 6.676 ha. Forest land for establishment of toll plaza at Hattikeri village. The copies of Board proceedings is enclosed for reference. Further, the case for re-diversion of total 9.136 ha forest land and transfer of Naval land was taken up with competent authority for obtaining sanction for transfer of land.

GoI/MoD(N) vide letter No. SB/8(I)/1051/PC/320/D(N-III) dated 28 October 14 had given sanction for working permission to NHAI for widening of NH66 at Karwar. As per the Sanction order at para 1(b) an area of 9.136 ha of forest land leased with MoD to be transferred to NHAI without any financial effect and NHAI shall take up cases with forest department to obtain statutory approval for re-diversion of forest land.

On enquiry of Forest Clearance during formulation of MoU between Project seabird and MoD(N) and NHAI in 2017, it was intimated by NHAI that MoEF and CC has recorded in-principle approval of 6.68 ha of area for re-diversion. Further, HQ Project seabird vide letter para 1(e) had

requested CGM/NHAI to take up with forest department of GoK for re-diversion of 2.46 ha forest land on perpetual lease with navy to NHAI and matter was persistently followed up with NHAI sinking status of approval. Further, NHAI has intimated that MoEF and CC vide letter F(C)/11 1/17/KAR/525 dated 4 sep 20 has sought compliance report wrt 2259 ha of forest land diverted to MoD/ Project seabird since 2.469 ha also part of 2259 ha. Further, Compliance report of 2259 ha forest land leased to navy has been submitted to DCF Karwar on 27 Nov 20 for onwards submission to MoEF & CC. Further, this office had taken up case with forest department for deduction of area of Forest land from the account of Project Seabird/ MoD(N) which has already re-diverted to KRCL and NHAI vide letter SB/K/Land/Forest dated 04 Aug 21.

To summarize, as per the GoI Order on working permission and MoU established between MoD(N) and NHAI, seeing of all statutory permission required for re-diversion of forest land rests with NHAI and the requirement of extent of forest land was know in 2014. Project seabird has permitted to utilize defense land as well as forest land complying with the instruction of GoI Order issued on 28 oct 2014 and as per the MoU. Hence it is deemed inappropriate to allege violation of F(C) act 1980 by project sea bird since all legal procedure/ directive have been proactively followed for re-diversion of forest land with NHAI and Keeping forest department under intimation”.

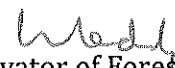
The copy of the same is enclosed herewith for information and needful action.

Again it is submitted that, the 9.20 ha of forest land which was diverted to project seabird was re-diverted to NHAI for four laning of National highway-66. The MoU was signed by officials of NHAI and project seabird on 10.11.2017. In the present case the toll plaza was constructed in part of forest land which was earlier diverted to Project seabird. Inadvertently the NHAI concessioner started construction of toll plaza thinking that this was part of 9.20 ha forest land re-diverted from seabird to NHAI. When Forest Department informed the excess use of land by NHAI, then immediately NHAI submitted a re-diversion proposal for 2.469 ha on 27.04.2018. Then the nodal officer (FC) admitted the proposal and submitted to MoEF & CC, Government of India for diversion of forest land.

Here, there is no intentional violation on part of NHAI/Project seabird. The secondary User Agency is pursuing the proposal since 27.04.2018. for re-diversion of forest land.

This is for your kind perusal and further needful action.

Yours faithfully,


Conservator of Forests, 28.06.23
Kanara Circle, Sirsi.

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

Dated: 13-06-2023

To,

Conservator of Forests,
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Sirsi.

Sir,

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- 3) Your letter No: B2/GFL/CR-324/1983-84 dated: 20-05-2023
- 4) Deputy Director General, (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar's letter No: SB/K/NH-66/Toll Plaza dated: 17-05-2023
- 5) This office letter even No. dated: 18-01-2023 and 17-02-2023

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With reference to above, this office has submitted the name of the official involved in violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and constructed Toll Plaza in Seabird leased forest area as per reported by Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, PIU, Mangalore vide this office letter dated: 17-02-2023 cited at reference (5).

But the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bengaluru is informed vide letter cited at reference (1), that the information furnished is incomplete. Accordingly this office has sought the name of the official involved in the re-diversion of 2.469 ha. diverted forest land to Deputy Director General, (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar violating Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

In this regard, the Deputy Director General, (PI), Project Seabird, Karwar has submitted report for re-diversion of 2.469 Ha. of forest land at Hattikeri village F.Sy.No: 10/A1A1A1 to NHAI for construction of Toll Plaza vide cited at reference (4). The copy of the same has been enclosed herewith for further needful action.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Karwar Division, Karwar.

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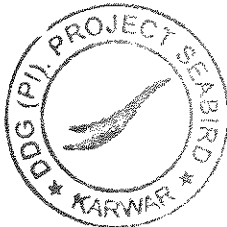
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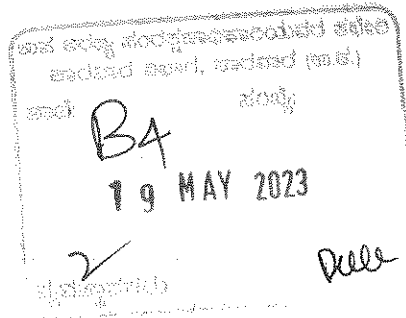
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**REDIVERSION OF 2.469 HA FOREST LAND AT HATTIKERI VILLAGE FSY NO
10/A1A1A1 TO NHAI FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TOLL PLAZA**

1. Refer to following: -
 - (a) DCF Karwar letter B4/GFL/FCA/SR-11/2011-12 dated 18 Jan 23.
 - (b) PIMT Karwar letter of even number dated 13 Feb 23.
 - (c) DCF Karwar letter B4/GFL/FCA/SR-11/2011-12 dated 12 May 23.
2. The same query was asked by DCF Karwar vide letter dated 18 Jan 23 and PIMT had replied vide letter dated 13 Feb 23. The letter was dispatched by Speed Post bearing No: RK642382430IN and delivered to your office on 16 Feb 23.
3. The same is attached again for ready reference.



Encl: - As above



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SB/K/NH66/Toll Plaza

13 Feb 23

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**RE-DIVERSION OF 2.469HA FOREST LAND AT HATTIKERI VILLAGE FSY NO
10/A1A1A1 TO NHAI FOR CONSTRUCTION OF TOLL PLAZA**

1. Refer to following:-

- (a) DCF, Karwar letter B4/GFL/FCA/SR-11/2011-12 dated 18 Jan 23.
- (b) This office letter SB/K/Forest dated 27 Nov 20.
- (c) DCF, Karwar letter B4/GFL/FCA/SR-11/2011-12 dated 22 Oct 20.
- (d) MoU between MoD(N) and NHAI dated 10 Nov 17.
- (e) HQ CE(P) Seabird letter SB/6/E2/725/64/VOL-VI dated 29 Sep 2017.
- (f) HQ Project Seabird letter SB/6/E2/725 dated 29 Oct 14.
- (g) GoI/MoD(N) letter no SB/8(I)/1051/PC/320/D(N-III) dated 28 Oct 14.

2. The information received from DCF, Karwar vide letter Para 1(a) ibid wrt violation of FC Act 1980 on re-diversion of 2.469 Ha Forest land to NHAI and the submission of information sought by GoI/MoEF&CC vide letter F.No. 4-KRB1249/2020-BAN 780 dated 07 Oct 22 does not suffice to understand the matter since the action taken report on the violation was submitted by the State Government, which was not addressed to this office and the case for re-diversion of Forest land being processed by NHAI. However, notwithstanding the above, background of re-diversion of 9.136Ha Forest land to NHAI is elaborated in succeeding paragraph:-

Background:

3. The requirement of land transfer / re-diversion had emerged due to expansion of NH66 and a stretch of road passing through the core area of Naval Base, Karwar. HQ Project Seabird had issued a Convening Order to constitute a Board of Officers for transfer of land under possession of Project Seabird to NHAI and vice-versa on 29 Jan 13 as NHAI had proposed for expansion of NH-66 from two lane to four lane. Accordingly, Board of Officers ascertained the Naval land and Forest land to be re-diverted for expansion of NH66 four lane project and as per the proceedings of Board 6.6761Ha of forest land was envisaged to be

re-diverted to NHAI from forest land leased to Project Seabird / Indian Navy by GoK vide Order No. FFD47 FGL 84, Bangalore, dated 04 Dec 1986. Further, considering the strategic importance of Naval Base and after extensive deliberation between Project Seabird and NHAI, the Toll Plaza was determined to shift from Chendia to Hattikeri village. Accordingly, another Board of Officers was constituted for ascertaining the requirement of land re-diversion / transfer to NHAI on 21 Apr 14. Further, Board of Officers had determined and recommended that an area of 2.46Ha forest land would required to be diverted to NHAI in addition to 6.676Ha Forest land for establishment of Toll Plaza at Hattikeri village. The copies of Board Proceedings is enclosed for reference. Further, the case for re-diversion of total 9.136Ha forest land and transfer of Naval land was taken up with Competent Authority for obtaining sanction for transfer of land.

4. GoI/MoD(N) vide letter no SB/8(I)/1051/PC/320/D(N-III) dated 28 Oct 14 had given sanction for working permission to NHAI for widening of NH-66 at Karwar. As per the sanction order at Para 1(b) an area of 9.136Ha of forest land leased with MoD to be transferred to NHAI without any financial effect and NHAI shall take up case with Forest Department to obtain statutory approval for re-diversion forest land.

5. On enquiry of Forest Clearance during formulation of MoU between Project Seabird/ MoD(N) and NHAI in 2017, it was intimated by NHAI that MoEF&CC has accorded in-principle approval of 6.68Ha of area for re-diversion. Further, HQ Project Seabird vide letter Para 1(e) had requested CGM/NHAI to take up with Forest department of GoK for re-diversion of 2.46Ha forest land on perpetual lease with Navy to NHAI and matter was persistently followed up with NHAI seeking status of approval. Further, NHAI has intimated that MoEF&CC vide letter F(C)/11.1/17/KAR/525 dated 04 Sep 20 has sought compliance report wrt 2259Ha of forest land diverted to MoD/ Project Seabird since 2.469Ha also part of 2259 Ha. Further, compliance report of 2259Ha Forest land leased to Navy has been submitted to DCF, Karwar on 27 Nov 20 for onward submission to MoEF&CC. Further, this office had taken up case with Forest Department for deduction of area of Forest land from the account of Project Seabird/ MoD(N) which has already re-diverted to KRCL and NHAI vide letter SB/K/Land/Forest dated 04 Aug 21.

6. To summarize, as per the GoI Order on Working permission and MoU established between MoD(N) and NHAI, seeking of all statutory permission required for re-diversion of forest land rests with NHAI and the requirement of extant of forest land was known in 2014. Project Seabird has permitted to utilize defence land as well as forest land complying with the instructions of GoI Order issued on 28 Oct 14 and as per the MoU. Hence, it is deemed inappropriate to allege violation of F(C) Act 1980 by Project Seabird since all legal procedure / directives have been proactively followed for re-diversion of Forest land with NHAI and keeping Forest Department under intimation.



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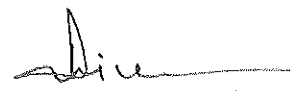
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**TRANSFER OF FOREST LAND ON PERPETUAL LEASE WITH
GOI, MOD (NAVY) TO NHAI AT KARWAR**

1. Ref working permission given by GoI, MoD, New Delhi vide letter No SB/8(I)/1051/PC/320/D(N-III) dated 28 Oct 2014.
2. As per the working permission, 9.136 Ha of forest land on perpetual lease with GoI, MoD (Navy) is to be transferred to NHAI. NHAI has to take up the case with forest Department, Govt of Karnataka for transfer of the said forest land at their end. GoI, MOE&F (FC section) vide their letter F.No.8-78/2013-FC dt 6th May 2014 has given in-principle approval for diversion of 6.68 ha of forest land on perpetual lease with GoI, MoD (Navy) to NHAI. However, approval for transfer of balance 2.46 ha of forest land from GoI, MoD (Navy) to NHAI is yet to be obtained. Progress of MoU is held up for the transfer of balance forest land.
3. In view of above, You are requested to take up the case with forest department, Govt of Karnataka for early transfer of forest land on perpetual lease with Navy to NHAI.
4. An early action is requested.


(Ajit Prasad Singh)
EE (SG)
Jt Dir
for Chief Engineer

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The Chief General Manager
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for info and necessary action
for early signing of MoU.



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- Please liaise with NHAI authority for
early action.

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD (SUPPLEMENTARY) FOR TRANSFER
OF NAVAL LAND TO NHAI, NHAI LAND TO NAVY AND RELINQUISHMENT OF
LEASE OF FOREST LAND AT KARWAR TO FACILITATE WIDENING/
REALIGNMENT OF NH-66 (RELOCATION OF TOLL PLAZA)**

1. Proceedings of - Board of Officers
2. Assembled at - DDG(PI) Office, Binaga Site, Karwar
3. On - 27 May 14 and subsequent days
4. By order of - Director General
Project Seabird
West Block - V, RK Puram
New Delhi - 110066
5. Convening Order No. - No. 14 promulgated vide HQPSB
SB/6/E2/725 dated 21 Apr 14
6. For the purpose of - As mentioned at subject
7. Presiding Officer - Captain Praveen Thapa
Deputy Director General
(Project Implementation)
8. Members - As tabulated below

SL.	MEMBER	REPRESENTATIVE OF
(a)	SLt Sandeep Kumar (89156-A) INS Kadamba Karwar	Flag Officer Commanding - in - Chief Headquarters, Western Naval Command Colaba, Mumbai
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(j)	Lt Cdr Vijay Gadkari (52380-W) Project Coordinator PIMT, Karwar	Co-opted member

9. **Terms of Reference.** As per Convening Order.

Preamble

10. A Board of Officers (BOO) was ordered by HQ Project Seabird vide letter SB/6/E2/725 dated 29 Jan 13 for preparing details of land required to be transferred between MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY), NEW DELHI and NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (**NHAI**) to facilitate the widening/ re-alignment of NH-66 (formerly NH-17) from Goa-Karnataka Border (Km 93.700 from Panaji) to Kundapur section (Km 283.300 from Panaji) running adjacent to the Naval Base at Karwar and Ankola Taluks. This BOO submitted the board proceedings (BPs) and draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between GoI, MoD (Navy) and NHAI vide DDG(PI) letter SB/K/NH-66 on 31 Oct 13 after addressing all known issues and working out amicably the scope for transfer of land taking into consideration all concerns pertaining to safety, security and smooth functioning of Naval Base, Karwar.

11. Subsequent to submission of the BPs, it came to light that a 'Toll Plaza' is being planned by NHAI at existing chainage Km 119.700 near Todur village, which was neither intimated to nor considered by the previous board. Since, the Naval Base, Karwar is stationed at four different locations viz. Site 'A', 'B', 'C' & 'E' and extending

from existing chainage Km 110.750 at the northern extent (at Binaga village in Karwar) to Km 135.179 at the southern extent (at Algeri village in Ankola), the toll plaza lies at a location with the Naval Base on its either sides. This not only will impede the movement of naval vehicles and personal between Site 'A', 'B', 'C' & 'E' but will also affect the operational efficiency of this strategically important naval station during an exercise or/ and any emergent situation as well as routine functions.

12. Accordingly, the issue of shifting the toll plaza beyond the limits of the naval base was taken up by MoD(Navy) with NHAI. However, NHAI conveyed their reservations due to existing policy of NHAI of not having toll plaza within 5 km of municipal limits of a town; since Karwar Naval Base is within 5 km of both Karwar municipal limits at the northern end and Ankola municipal limit at the southern end. Shifting of the toll plaza beyond Karwar and Ankola municipal limits was also not possible as the distance between two toll plazas cannot be less than 60 km.

13. Considering the above constraints/ restriction and to ensure free movement of naval vehicles and personal between various site, the navy agreed to establish the toll plaza within naval area with a provision that it should not restrict or hamper naval movement and operational functioning of the base. Accordingly, a joint survey with reps from HQ Project Seabird and NHAI was undertaken at Karwar on 24 Mar 14 and three options were examined. Based on the outcome of the joint survey, a fresh BOO was convened by HQ Project Seabird on 21 Apr 14 to study the suitability of shifting of the toll plaza and to finalise the new location.

Proceedings

14. In accordance with the directives of the convening orders issued by Headquarters Project Seabird, New Delhi on the 21 Apr 14, a meeting of the nominated members from all agencies/ stake holders including outstation officials was held at DDG(PI) Office, Binaga Site, Karwar at 1100 hrs on 27 May 14. The diary of events in chronological order leading to conclusion of the board is enumerated in the succeeding paragraphs.

15. **Initial Meeting (27 May 14).** The first board meeting was held on 27 May 14 attended by reps and officials from HQWNC/ INS Kadamba, ATC Officer (from INS Hansa, Goa), HQKNA, State Revenue & Forest Departments, DEO(Bangalore) and NHAI team led by Mr Shriram Mishra, Project Director. The meeting could not be scheduled earlier due to delay in nomination of board members. Since the main members of the present board were part of the previous board, all new members were briefed about the previous board. Thereafter, the scope of present board regarding shifting of the toll plaza, as per the options worked out by a team of officials from NHAI and Project Seabird on 24 Mar 14 was discussed (minutes placed at **Appendix 'A'**). At

the outset, PD(NHAI) reiterated the governing requirements/ limitations for setting up a toll plaza, as mentioned below:-

- (a) Availability of a straight stretch of minimum 600m length and 120m width.
- (b) Minimum distance of 5 km from municipal town limit.
- (c) Minimum separation of 60 km between two successive toll plazas.

16. During deliberations, the three options worked out during the meeting on 24 Mar 14 were discussed in details and following consensus arrived at:-

(a) **Option 1.** Location at design chainage km 112.600 behind INHS Patanjali considered not suitable view non-compliance to conditions mentioned at Paras 15(a) and 15(b) above.

(b) **Option 2.** Location at existing chainage km 133.000 near Belekeri Port Cross considered favourable as it meets all the requirements listed at Para 15 above. However, since Konkan Railway line runs to the east of the existing road this location would require transfer of additional naval land on the west of the road where future Naval Air Station is planned to come up.

(c) **Option 3.** Location at existing chainage of km 135.050 near the end of the defence land near Algeri Village cross not suitable view non-compliance to conditions mentioned at Paras 15(b) and 15(c) above.

17. It was therefore decided that NHAI would design the toll plaza comprising of the toll booth and administrative building and forward the drawings for Option 2 & 3 above which would then be scrutinized by the aviation member with respect to alignment of the alternate runway planned in the Naval Air Station. Accordingly, a review meeting after 02 weeks was tentatively planned for 09 Jun 14. After the meeting a site visit for the proposed Option 2 & 3 for all new members was conducted.

18. **Designing & Preliminary Ground Survey (28 May to 11 Jun 14).** During the period, NHAI as per the action plan undertook preliminary design, carried out ground survey and peg marking alongwith reps from Project Seabird. The proposed drawing alongwith the Development Plan of the Naval Air Station were then forwarded to INS Hansa for scrutiny and clearance by the aviation member with respect to safety aspects. During the ground survey and site visits, an alternate site located at existing chainage km 133.700 (design chainage km 131.400) between Option 2 & 3 was also considered and found suitable.

19. **1st Review Meeting (17 Jun 14).** A follow up meeting to assess the progress was held on 17 Jun 14. Option 1 & 3 were ruled and considered unsuitable in the earlier meeting and the discussions were focused on feasibility of Option 2 and the alternate option as brought out at Para 18 above. The aviation member intimated that Option 2 with the designed structure of height 10m as confirmed by NHAI, in the glide path of the alternate runway would not be acceptable. The same would need to be verified with respect to the exact orientation of the proposed alternate runway and coordinates to establish the distance from the end of the runway with respect to slope and divergence in accordance with International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) norms. Alternatively, the drawings of the alternate site at a location between Option 2 & 3 were considered favourable by all concerned and it was decided to undertake detailed design and ground survey of the location, which prima facie was outside the safety arc of the proposed alternate runway.

20. **Survey Work (25 Jun to 24 Jul 14).** Even though the alternate site at design chainage km 131.400 was found to be most suitable for relocation of the toll plaza after designing and ground survey, it was brought out by NHAI on 15 Jul 14 that the site was falling within 5 km of the municipal limits of Ankola (design chainage km 136.250) and in contravention to the Para 15(b) above. Thereafter, a number of internal meetings between Project Seabird and NHAI reps were held to break the impasse.

21. **2nd Review Meeting (31 Jul 14).** During this meeting it was decided that as all other options were not feasible, the relocation of the toll plaza at Option 2 be reviewed with the true coordinates and orientation of the alternate runway. Accordingly, a site survey was planned in the first week of Aug 14.

22. **Meeting with Aviation Member (06 Aug 14).** The governing requirements/limitations with respect to dimensions and slopes of obstacle to the approach runways were discussed with the aviation member, in lines with ICAO Annex 14, Chapter 4, Table 4-1 (**Appendix 'C'**). The siting of the toll plaza in the 'no development zone' of the planned alternate runway subject to meeting the slope restriction was sought from HQ Project Seabird which was concurred. Accordingly, the coordinates of the centre of the north end of the runway of 1000m length i.e. 14°42'30"N, 74°17'30"E in the orientation of 040-220 obtained from HQ Project Seabird was handed over to NHAI alongwith the ICAO norms to design the toll plaza at a location best suited as per Option 2.

23. **Review Meeting (22 Aug 14).** During the meeting the NHAI presented the design at existing design chainage km 131.200 with the toll plaza admin building height of 10m, which was beyond the acceptable slope of 3.33% as per ICAO guidelines. After hectic deliberation both parties agreed to relocation of the toll plaza from the planned location at existing chainage Km 119.700 near Todur village to existing chainage

Km 132.940 (design chainage km 131.200) near Belekeri Port cross with the following commitments:-

(a) Navy will transfer additional land to NHAI for relocation and creation of toll plaza at existing chainage km 132.940 (design chainage km 131.200), which falls in the 'no development zone' of the alternate runway.

(b) NHAI will restrict the height of the toll booth to within 6m and admin building to 4m to ensure that the height of the toll plaza complex is within 3.33% of the slope as per ICAO guidelines. NHAI also agreed to shift the admin building to the extent possible to stay out of the no development zone. Further, NHAI agreed for installation of flood lights on pole not more than 4m high, instead of mast head lights.

(c) NHAI will provide a dedicated service road with a median cut at approx existing chainage km 132.600 near Belekeri Port cross for smooth entry to and exit from the Naval Base (located east of the existing road) through entry gate at existing chainage km 133.000, by passing the toll plaza. Also a service road on both side with a median cut will be provided at approx existing chainage km 135.200 at Algeri Village cross for entry and exit to Ankola from Naval Air Station (located west of the existing road).

(d) NHAI will re-construct any existing security wall, barbed wire fencing, retaining walls etc. demolished for the purpose of construction of the toll plaza.

24. **Final Design, Ground Marking & Finalisation of BPs (23 to 26 Aug 14).**

Based on the decisions of the meeting of 22 Aug 14, the final design was undertaken and frozen at existing chainage km 132.940 (design chainage km 131.200). The measurements was undertaken on 23 Aug 14 and ground survey on 24 & 25 Aug 14. It emerged that both naval land as well as forest land on lease to navy would be required to be transferred/ relinquished by navy for construction of the toll plaza to NHAI. The preparation of survey sketches/ maps post completion of ground survey/ measurement was undertaken by revenue department thereafter on 25 & 26 Aug 14.

25. **Review Meeting (26 Aug 14).** A meeting was held at Karwar with NHAI representatives for reconciliation of data with respect to extent of land proposed for transfer/ re-diversion, costing, drawings, ownership etc for finalisation of the BPs.

Findings

26. **Dimension and location of Toll Plaza.** The toll plaza will be located at existing chainage km 132.940 (design chainage km 131.200). The plan showing details of the toll plaza is placed at **Appendix 'D'**.

27. **Location Affected due to Relocation of Toll Plaza.** The relocation of toll plaza will affect the naval land at existing chainage Km 132.035 to Km 135.179 (covered under **Para 25 (e) main BPs at Appendix 'B'**). A total of 11.725 acre i.e. 5.575 acre naval land and 6.15 acre forest land on lease to navy would be required to be transferred/ relinquished by navy for construction of the toll plaza to NHAI

28. **Additional Naval Land to be Transferred to NHAI.** An area of 5.575 acre navy land in addition to 29.6667 acre as per **Para 26 of main BPs at Appendix 'B'** is required to be transferred to NHAI for relocation of the toll plaza. The survey sketches are placed at **Appendix 'E'**. This consolidated list of survey numbers with extent of transfer of Navy land to NHAI is tabulated and placed at **Appendix 'F'**.

29. **Re-diversion of Forest Land (on Perpetual Lease to Navy) to NHAI.** An area of 2.46 hectare (6.15 acre) in addition to 6.6761 hectare of forest land which is on perpetual lease to Navy as per **Para 27 of main BPs at Appendix 'B'** is required to be re-diverted to NHAI for relocation of the toll plaza. The forest survey sketch is placed at **Appendix 'G'**. The list of forest survey number with extent for re-diversion to NHAI is tabulated and placed at **Appendix 'H'**. The forest department has no objection to re-diversion of the above stated forest lands to NHAI for construction of toll plaza.

30. **Additional Assets to be constructed for Navy by NHAI.** NHAI informed that approx 1840 rmt barbed wire fences between design chainage km 130.500 and 132.200 would be constructed along the boundary at their cost view security concern of the Naval Base prior demolishing existing fence for construction of the toll plaza. Service lanes as agreed to at Para 23(c) above will be constructed by NHAI for smooth functioning of the base.

31. **Financial Implication for transfer of land from Navy to NHAI for construction of Toll Plaza.** The transfer value of total navy land of 35.2417 acre i.e. 5.575 acre (for toll plaza) + 29.6667 acre (for widening of NH as per **Para 26 of main BPs at Appendix 'B'**) works out to Rs. 12,29,45,605.00 @ Rs. 34,88,640.00 per acre based on calculation sheet provided by rep of DEO, Bangalore (**Appendix 'J'**).

32. **Draft MoU.** The draft MoU between Govt of India, MoD(Navy) and NHAI regarding transfer of defence land to NHAI for widening and re-alignment of NH-66, re-construction of demolished/ affected naval assets, construction of new VUPs, VOB, FOB, toll plaza and service roads is placed at **Appendix 'K'**.

33. **Disposal of Trees.** The number of trees within the land under transfer to NHAI will be required to be identified by a BOO prior actual handing over of the land. Post identification, NHAI will get current valuation from forest department for deposition of the amount with DEO, Bangalore.

34. **Recommendations.** In view of the above findings the BOO recommends that that recommendation at Para 35 **main BPs at Appendix 'B'** be amended as follows:-

(a) An area of 14.2621 hectare (35.2417 acre) of naval land valued at Rs. 12,29,45,605.00 be transferred to NHAI (Para 31 above refers), subject to approval by respective ministries of Government of India.

(b) An area of 1.5027 hectares (3.7132 acres) of NHAI land valued at Rs. 22,27,920.00 be transferred to Navy, subject to approval by respective ministries of Government of India.

(c) The net financial implication amounts to NHAI having a liability of Rs. 12,07,17,685.00 to Navy {Para 34(a) – Para 34(b)}.

(d) An area of 9.1361 hectares (22.5753 acres) forest land which is presently on perpetual lease from Forest Department to Indian Navy is to be re-diverted to NHAI without any financial implication, after NHAI obtains concurrence from MoEF for the same (Para 29 above refers).

(e) The construction of affected assets i.e. security compound wall, barbed wire fence, retaining wall, buildings, pipelines, cables and any other services/assets found during execution be undertaken by NHAI prior demolition as per (Para 29 of **main BPs at Appendix 'B'** and Para 30 above).

(f) The authorities/ agency responsible for bearing the cost of construction of under-passes, over bridges and service road is as follows:-

(i) VUPs at Binaga and Amadalli by NHAI (Para 30(a) of **main BPs at Appendix 'B'** refers).

(ii) A four lane VOB at Nellur Kanchinbail village between Project Seabird Sites 'C1' and 'C2' by Indian Navy (Para 30(b) of **main BPs at Appendix 'B'** refers).

(iii) A FOB in Algeri village between Project Seabird Sites 'C1' and 'C2' by Indian Navy (Para 30(c) of **main BPs at Appendix 'B'** refers).

(iv) Toll plaza conforming to height restrictions by NHAI (Para 23(b) and 26 above refers).

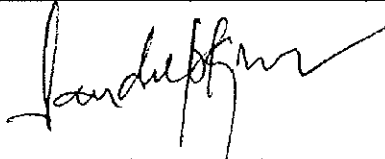
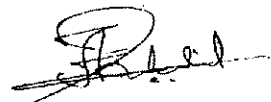
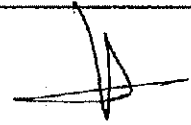
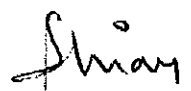
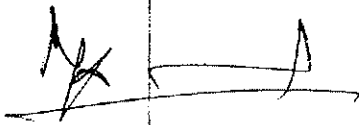
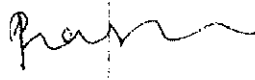
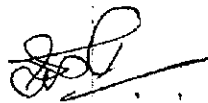
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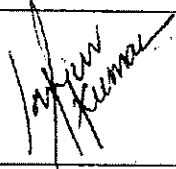
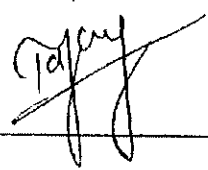
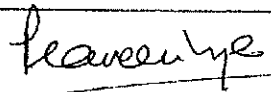
(g) The construction of new Project Seabird Site Office will be undertaken by NHAI at their cost, prior dismantling the existing building at village Binaga (Para 31 of **main BPs at Appendix 'B'**).

(h) NHAI will ensure that adequate safety measures are taken while constructing the highway in the proximity of Arga Sub-station and the KPTCL power transmission lines as per prevailing safety norms.

(j) All future issues regarding land transferred to NHAI including any rehabilitation and resettlement or any court directives will be handled by NHAI hereinafter.

35. The responsibility of mutation for change in ownership of proposed transfers of land will be borne by NHAI.

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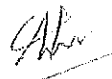
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GRANT OF WORKING PERMISSION REGARDING TRANSFER OF DEFENCE
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4/6 LANE DUAL CARRIAGEWAY AND RE-CONSTRUCTION OF
DEMOLISHED/AFFECTED NAVAL ASSETS, CONSTRUCTION OF NEW VIPS,
VOB, FOB, TOLL PLAZA AND SERVICE ROADS ETC AT NAVAL BASE KARWAR.

Sir,

1. I am directed to convey the sanction of the Competent Authority for working permission to NHAI for widening of NH-66 at Karwar, pending approval of CCS, subject to the following conditions:-

- (a) Transfer of 14.262 Ha Defence land to NHAI at a cost of Rs 12,29,45,605.00 (Rupees twelve crore twenty nine lakh forty five thousand six hundred and five only) and transfer of 1503.1 Ha NHAI land to MoD with a cost of Rs 22,27,920 00 (Rupees twenty two lakh twenty seven thousand nine hundred and twenty only).
- (b) Transfer of 9.136 Ha forest land on lease with MoD to NHAI without any financial effect. NHAI to take up the case with Forest Department, for transfer of land.
- (c) Construction of two Vehicular Under Passes each costing Rs 11,13,00,000.00 (Rupees eleven crore thirteen lakh only) by NHAI, one at NHAI expense at existing km 110.750 and the other at the cost of IHQ, MoD (Navy) at existing km 124.740
- (d) Construction of Toll Plaza at existing km 132.940 (Design Chainage km 131.200) by NHAI with provision of dedicated service roads bypassing Toll Plaza and median cuts/opening at approximately existing Kms 132.600



& 135.200 The height of toll booth structure to be restricted to 6 m and height of administrative building and flood lights to 4 m.

(e) Construction of new Project Seabird Site Office by NHAI along with allied facilities. New Site Office to include approach road, fencing/wall, street lights etc as per requirements of the Navy. Area and specifications of the building would be same as the existing building being demolished by NHAI for widening of road.

(f) Construction of approximately 939 m security compound wall, 6509 m security barbed wire fencing and 591 m retaining wall by NHAI. Any security wall/fencing or any other asset in addition to those being damaged during construction/widening or toll plaza construction will be reconstructed by NHAI prior to demolition as per IHQ, MoD (Navy) requirement.

(g) NHAI to accord permission for construction of one 'Vehicle Over Bridge' and one 'Foot Over Bridge' over NH-66 by Project Seabird between existing kms 132.035 and 135.030 between sites C1/C2.

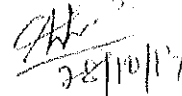
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2. NHAI to deposit Rs 12,07,17,685.00 (Rupees twelve crore seven lakh seventeen thousand six hundred and eighty five only) with MoD as cost of Defence land at Para 1(a) within 45 days of issue of this letter.

3. MoU between NHAI and IHQ, MoD (N) is to be signed post Cabinet approval.

4. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Fin/Navy) vide their ID No. 116(9)/2014-NIE dated 19.09.2014.

Yours faithfully,



(Dibakar Mishra)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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SB/6/E2/725

29 Oct 14

Shri SC Jindal
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(Ministry of Road Transport and Highways)
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**GRANT OF WORKING PERMISSION REGARDING TRANSFER OF DEFENCE
LAND TO NHAI FOR WIDENING OF NH-66 (FORMERLY NH-17)**

1. A copy of GoI (MoD) letter SB/8(I)/1051/PC/320/D(N-III) giving working permission to NHAI is forwarded herewith for necessary action.
2. It is requested that all terms as given in the working permission be strictly complied with.
3. It is further requested that CCS note be expedited at your end to facilitate finalizing of MoU between NHAI and Project Seabird.


(Vivek Davar)
Col
Chief Engineer

Encl:-As above

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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD FOR TRANSFER OF NAVAL LAND TO NHAI, NHAI LAND TO NAVY AND RE-DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND PRESENTLY UNDER PERPETUAL LEASE TO NAVY TO NHAI FOR WIDENING/ REALIGNMENT OF NH-66 (FORMERLY NH-17) BY NHAI IN KARWAR AND ANKOLA TALUK OF UTTARA KANNADA DISTRICT IN KARNATAKA STATE

1. Proceedings of - Board of Officers
2. Assembled at - DDG(PI) Office, Binaga Site, Karwar
3. On - 15 Feb 13 and subsequent days
4. By order of - Director General
Project Seabird
West Block - V, RK Puram
New Delhi - 110066
5. Convening Order No. - No. 13 promulgated vide HQPSB
SB/6/E2/725 dated 29 Jan 13
6. For the purpose of - As mentioned at subject
7. Presiding Officer - Captain Praveen Thapa
Deputy Director General
(Project Implementation)
8. Members - As tabulated below

SL.	MEMBER	REPRESENTATIVE OF
(a)	Cdr S Mukherjee (03942-H) INS Kadamba Karwar	Flag Officer Commanding - in - Chief Headquarters, Western Naval Command Colaba, Mumbai
(b)	Lt NP Fernandez (07067-K) Staff Officer(Works)	Flag Officer Commanding Headquarters, Karnataka Naval Area Karwar - 581308
(c)	Shri Lokesh Gowda S Sub Divisional Officer -II	Defence Estates Office Karnataka Circle K. Kamaraj Road Bangalore - 560042
(d)	Shri Shriram Mishra Project Director National Highways Authority of India	National Highways Authority of India (Ministry of Road Transport and Highways) Karnataka and Goa Region Regional Office, Bengaluru

	Project Implementation Unit 7-35/10(4), Near Pumpwell, Shri Mahalingeshwara temple road, Kankanady, Mangalore – 575002	Sy. No. 13, 14 th Km., Near Deepak Bus Stop, Nagasandra, M.S. Ramaiah Enclave, Bengaluru-Tumkur Road(NH-4) Bengaluru-560073
(e)	Shri T Heeralal, IFS The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Karwar Division, Karwar, Uttara Kannada	The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore-3
(f)	Shri R Venkatesh, KAS Special Land Acquisition Officer, Seabird	SDM(Revenue), Karwar
(g)	Sub A Peddanarappa, JE(Civ)	Garrison Engineer (I) Karwar Military Engineer Services Sankrubagh, Naval Base Karwar - 581308
(h)	Lt Cdr CG Ingleshwar 05368-Z Project Coordinator PIMT, Karwar	Co-opted member

9. **Terms of Reference.** As per Convening Order.

10. **Preamble.** The NHAI has proposed to undertake the conversion of NH-66 (formerly NH-17) from Goa-Karnataka Border (Km 93.700 from Panaji) to Kundapur section (Km 283.300 from Panaji), into 4/6-Lane Dual Carriageway, with Proposed Right of Way (**PROW**) of 60 meters. Since, NH-66 runs adjacent to the Naval Base at Karwar from Km 110.750 to Km 135.179, the NHAI approached the Navy to facilitate the widening/ re-alignment envisaged and work out terms for transfer of land among the three land holding agencies viz. Navy, NHAI and Forest Department. The issues regarding mutation/ change in ownership, reconstruction of assets existing on the land to be transferred, smooth movement of personnel between the Naval Base and NH-66 etc. were to be deliberated prior handing/ taking over of land. A board was therefore constituted to address all the known issues and work out amicably the scope for transfer of land and also address concerns pertaining to safety and security of Naval Base, Karwar. The Board Proceedings (**BPs**) are to form the basis for preparing the Memorandum of Understanding (**MoU**) between MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (NAVY), NEW DELHI and NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (**NHAI**) for establishing a co-operative arrangement for ensuring safety and security of the Naval Base while undertaking up-gradation of NH-66 (formerly NH-17) running adjacent to the Naval Base at Karwar and Ankola Taluks.

Proceedings

11. In accordance with the directives of the convening orders issued by Headquarters Project Seabird, New Delhi the first meeting of the nominated members from all agencies/ stake holders including outstation officials was held at DDG(PI) Office, Binaga Site, Karwar at 1030 hrs on 15 Feb 13. The diary of events in chronological sequence of occurrence is enumerated in the succeeding paragraphs.

12. **Initial Meeting (15 Feb 13).** The first board meeting was held on 15 Feb 13, with members from all agencies involved (list of attendees is placed at Appendix 'A'). After the welcome address by the Board President, all members were briefed about the scope of the board on the basis of the terms of reference. An action plan to complete the proceedings in a time bound manner was thereafter drawn out after identifying the various tasks and assigning responsibilities to concerned departments/ agencies. The following tasks were assigned to the members based on the roles of respective offices:-

(a) **NHAI.** NHAI was to carry out the peg marking of Naval land (both acquired as well as leased forest land) indicating the proposed expansion of NH-66, to initiate process for identifying transfer of Naval land to NHAI. Parallely, peg marking of NHAI land for transfer to Navy was also to be undertaken.

(b) **Revenue Department.** The District Revenue department was to carry out the survey based on the peg marks and prepare sketch of affected survey numbers, with extent and value of land being transferred.

(c) **Forest Department.** The Deputy Conservator of Forest was to carry out the survey based on the peg marks and prepare sketch of affected survey numbers within the forest land on perpetual lease to Navy for re-diversion to NHAI.

(d) **Defence Estate Office (DEO).** DEO was to verify the proposed land to be transferred, post completion of peg marking and ground survey work.

(e) **HQKNA/ MES.** HQKNA/ SO(Works) and GE(I), Karwar were to prepare list of assets that would get affected due to widening/ re-alignment and those needed to be constructed prior demolition. Further, the requirement of ensuring safe entry/ exit from the Naval Base with respect to construction of Vehicular Underpasses (**VUP**), Vehicular Over Bridges (**VOB**)/ Foot Over Bridges (**FOB**) etc was to be worked out in consultation with Project Seabird, Karwar. A representative from HQWNC, Mumbai was initially nominated for the board. Subsequently, in Jun 13 HQWNC directed HQKNA to depute an officer to

represent them. Accordingly, Cdr S Mukherjee from INS Kadamba was nominated as HQWNC rep.

13. **Site Visit (25 Feb 13).** A site visit by a team with representatives from M/s SNC Lavalin Infrastructure Private Limited (Rep. of NHAI), State Revenue Department, Karwar and Project Seabird was undertaken to appreciate the exact scope of work on ground.

14. **Preliminary Peg Marking (01 to 06 Mar 13).** The preliminary peg marking of the PROW of 60 meters width passing in Naval land was undertaken.

15. **1st Review Meeting (13 Mar 13).** A follow up meeting to assess the progress, resolve hold-ups and chart out the future course of action was conducted on 13 Mar 13. Since the preliminary peg marking of land for transfer was completed on 06 Mar 13, a detailed timeline was drawn in consultation with the Revenue and Forest Departments to commence ground survey/ measurements from 18 Mar 13 onwards with the help of taluk and forest surveyors. This activity was to be followed by preparation of maps/ survey sketches with an EDC of 28 Mar 13.

16. **Survey Work (18 to 24 Mar 13).** As per the timelines, the Revenue Department completed the on ground survey/ measurement of affected areas of villages Hattikeri, NK Bail and Algeri in Ankola taluk from 18 to 20 Mar and villages Binaga, Arga and Amadalli in Karwar taluk from 21 to 23 Mar 13. The Forest Department also completed survey of forest land which is on perpetual lease to Indian Navy for re-diversion to NHAI.

17. **Permanent Peg Marking (25 to 29 Mar 13).** Post completion of the ground survey work, installation of concrete pillars (painted in yellow colour) at intervals of 20 meters along both sides of the PROW passing in Naval land (except three inaccessible areas due to difficult terrain and dense forest at Arga village) was undertaken.

18. **2nd Review Meeting (02 Apr 13).** The meeting was called to consolidate and reconcile the documentation of survey work and finalise the timelines for the balance activities.

19. **Preparation of Survey Sketches/ Maps (09 to 17 Apr 13).** The preparation of survey sketches/ maps post completion of ground survey/ measurement was completed by revenue department.

20. **Marking of Inaccessible Areas (22 and 23 May 13).** Temporary markings at balance three inaccessible areas (mentioned at Para 17 above) at Arga village were carried out and necessary sketches/ maps were prepared by Forest Department.

21. **3rd Review Meeting (04 Jun 13)**. During the meeting, the status of progress with respect to peg marking of the PROW in forest area and other inaccessible areas undertaken by the NHAI team along with rep from Project Seabird on 22 and 23 May 13 was reviewed. On completion of the meeting a site visit with representatives from HQKNA, Project Seabird and NHAI was undertaken to appreciate and finalise the scope for construction of assets affected by the widening/ re-alignment by NHAI. On completion of site visit a copy of drawings indicating the affected assets and proposed construction of security compound wall, barbed wire fence, retaining wall, VUP, VOB and FOB were handed over to HQ KNA/ SO(Works) for ratification in consultation with GE(I), Karwar.

22. **Discussions with GE(I), Karwar (28 Jun 13)**. During the meeting, the Naval assets being affected was discussed with GE(I), Karwar and the assets to be constructed by NHAI on account of the widening/ re-alignment of NH-66 were finalised.

23. **Visit by Rep of DEO (04 Jul 13)**. Shri Shivananda, SDO-III from DEO, Bangalore visited site for verification of land to be transferred and relinquished.

24. **Review Meeting (27 Aug 13)**. A meeting was held at Karwar with NHAI representatives for reconciliation of data with respect to extent of land proposed for transfer/ re-diversion, costing, drawings, ownership etc for finalisation of the BPs.

Findings

25. **Location Affected due to NH-66 Widening/ Re-alignment**. The widening/ re-alignment of NH-66 will affect the land of the Navy/ Forest/ NHAI at the following locations:-

<u>Sl.</u>	<u>Existing Chainage</u>	<u>Village</u>
(a)	Km 110.750 to Km 115.300	Binaga and Arga
(b)	Km 114.151 to Km 115.067	Arga
(c)	Km 121	Amadalli
(d)	Km 124.314 to Km 124.940	Amadalli
(e)	Km 132.035 to Km 135.179	Hattikeri, NK Bail & Algeri

26. **Naval Land to be Transferred to NHAI**. An area of 29.6667 acres of Navy land is required to be transferred to NHAI for the work of 4/6 laning of NH-66. The survey sketches which were generated after onsite survey based on the peg marking on ground are placed at Appendix 'Q'. In some sites revenue surveyors could not carry out the survey on ground due to difficult terrain and dense forest, for which the revenue maps were not prepared. In these cases NHAI has prepared sketches based on the

advanced survey instruments, which are placed at Appendix 'Q1'. These sketches/ maps have been superimposed on to the revenue map to show the extent of Navy Land to be transferred to NHAI and placed at Appendix 'P'. The consolidated list of survey numbers with extent of transfer of Navy land to NHAI is tabulated and placed at Appendix 'B'.

27. **Re-diversion of Forest Land (on Perpetual Lease to Navy) to NHAI.** An area of 6.6761 hectares of forest land which is on perpetual lease to Navy is required by NHAI for the work of 4/6 laning of NH-66. NHAI has already submitted a proposal to Forest Department in this regard. The forest survey sketches which were generated after onsite survey based on the peg marking on ground are placed at Appendix 'S'. These sketches/ maps superimposed on to the revenue map to show the extent of Forest land (presently on perpetual lease to Navy) to be re-diverted to NHAI is placed at Appendix 'R'. The consolidated list of forest survey numbers with extent for re-diversion to NHAI is tabulated and placed at Appendix 'C'. In regard to re-diversion of the above stated forest lands to NHAI, the Forest Department has no objection.

28. **NHAI Land to be transferred to Navy.** The existing road from Km 114.151 to Km 115.067 i.e. a total length of 0.916 km shall become redundant to NHAI after completion of 4/6 laning since NHAI is realigning the road at the above section as per the requirement of the Navy. As per the revenue records, Navy land exists on both side of this section of existing highway and will not be of use to the general public after completion of 4/6 laning work. Hence, NHAI has agreed to transfer the above section of road for use by Navy. Accordingly, an area of 1.5027 hectares (3.7132 acres) NHAI land will be required to be transferred to Navy. The plan superimposed on Revenue map showing the extent of NHAI land to be transferred to Navy is placed at Appendix 'W'.

29. **Assets to be constructed for Navy by NHAI.** NHAI has informed that the proposed four laning of NH-66 requires demolition of certain existing Naval assets viz. security compound walls, barbed wire fences, retaining walls and also the Project Seabird Office located adjacent to NH-66 at Km 112.00 near Binaga village. NHAI has agreed to construct the Naval assets being demolished to meet the site requirement. The consolidated list of assets to be constructed by NHAI is placed at Appendix 'D'. The assets proposed to be constructed by NHAI shall be in elevation point of view and functional point of view similar to that of existing specifications. If any changes are required due to unavoidable site condition the same has to be approved by Navy. All Naval assets shall be constructed by NHAI prior to demolition of existing assets in view of security concerns of the Naval Base. The plan showing the details of security compound walls, barbed wire fences and retaining walls to be re-constructed are placed at Appendices 'T', 'U' and 'V' respectively. All trees that are being affected by the widening work will be disposed off by DEO as per prevalent norms.

30. **Requirement of Under-Passes and Over Bridges.**

(a) **Vehicle Under Pass (VUP).** VUPs at the following locations will be required for access to NH-66 for smooth and safe movement between Naval Base and adjoining NH. The plan showing locations of VUPs are placed at Appendices 'X' and 'Y':-

(i) Existing Km 110.750 Kamat Enclave Gate at Binaga Village

(ii) Existing Km 124.740 Minor Bridge 125/6 at Amadalli
village for Defence Civilian Colony

(b) **Vehicle Over Bridge (VOB).** A four lane VOB at existing Km 133.300 in Nellur Kanchinbail village will be required for free vehicular movement between Project Seabird Sites 'C1' and 'C2'. The plan showing VOB is placed at Appendix 'Z'.

(c) **Foot Over Bridge (FOB).** A FOB at existing Km. 134.700 in Algeri village is required for movement of personnel between Project Seabird Sites 'C1' and 'C2'. The plan showing FOB is placed at Appendix 'Z'.

31. **Project Seabird Site Office at Binaga.** As brought out at Para 29 above, the existing Project Seabird Site Office at village Binaga will be affected by the NH-66 expansion. This building on forest survey number 9 A1A1 of Binaga village was taken over by Navy from Karnataka Urban Water Supply and Drainage Board (layout of the building is placed at Appendix 'PA'). Construction of a new Project Seabird Site Office in lieu of the existing office would need to be undertaken by NHAI at their cost, prior dismantling the existing building located at existing Km 112.050. The location of the new office of DDG (PI) will be indicated by Indian Navy. The plinth area and specifications of the new DDG (PI) office will be the same as that of the existing office and the design as approved by Indian Navy.

32. **Financial Implication.** The transfer value of land proposed for transfer from Navy to NHAI and NHAI to Navy has been evaluated based on prevailing rates on the guidance value notified by the Government of Karnataka for registration purpose, as obtained from the Sub-Registrar Office, Karwar. The details are placed at Appendices 'E' & 'E1'. The BOO has considered the value of land as type wet & garden for valuation.

33. **Ownership Documents.** The ownership documents of each type of land are placed at Appendix 'F'.

34. **Compliance Matrix.** A compliance matrix for the 'Terms of Reference' to the convening order complied by the board is placed at Appendix 'G'.

35. **Recommendations.** In view of the above findings the BOO recommends that the following be incorporated in the MoU with NHAI and requisite Government sanction(s) obtained and communicated to all concerned:-

(a) An area of 29.6667 acres of naval land valued at Rs. 1,67,36,705.00 is to be transferred to NHAI (Para 26 & 32 above refers).

(b) An area of 1.5027 hectares or 3.7132 acres of NHAI land valued at Rs. 22,27,920.00 be transferred to Navy, subject to approval by respective ministries of Government of India (Para 28 above refers).

(c) The net financial implication amounts to NHAI having a liability of Rs. 1,45, 08,785.00 to Navy {Para 35(a) – Para 35(b)}.

(d) An area of 6.6761 hectares forest land which is presently on perpetual lease from Forest Department to Indian Navy is to be re-diverted to NHAI without any financial implication, after NHAI obtains concurrence from MoEF for the same (Para 27 above refers).

(e) The construction of affected assets i.e. security compound wall, barbed wire fence, retaining wall, buildings, pipelines, cables and any other services/assets found during execution be undertaken by NHAI prior demolition as per (Para 29 above refers).

(f) The authorities/ agency responsible for bearing the cost of construction of under-passes and over bridges is as follows:-

(i) VUPs at Binaga and Amadalli by NHAI (Para 30(a) refers)

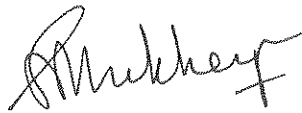

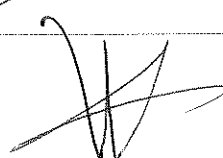




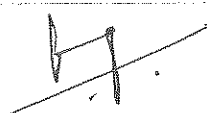
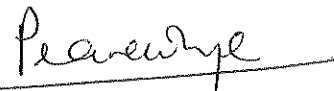
(ii) A four lane VOB at Nellur Kanchinbail village between Project Seabird Sites 'C1' and 'C2' by Indian Navy (Para 30(b) refers).

(iii) A FOB in Algeri village between Project Seabird Sites 'C1' and 'C2' by Indian Navy (Para 30(c) refers).

(g) The construction of new Project Seabird Site Office will be undertaken by NHAI at their cost, prior dismantling the existing building at village Binaga (Para 31 refers).

(h) NHAI will ensure that adequate safety measures are taken while constructing the highway in the proximity of Arga Sub-station and the KPTCL power transmission lines as per prevailing safety norms.

36. The responsibility of mutation for change in ownership of proposed transfers of land will be borne by NHAI.

Sl.	Members	Signature
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(b)	Lt NP Fernandez (07067-K) Staff Officer(Works) Headquarters Karnataka Naval Area Karwar - 581308	
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(e)	Shri T Heeralal, IFS The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Karwar Division, Karwar, Uttara Kannada	on behalf of  Range Forest Officer, Naval Base, Karwar.
(f)	Shri R Venkatesh, KAS Special Land Acquisition Officer, Seabird	 (R. VENKATESH) Special Land Acquisition Officer, Seabird, Karwar.
(g)	Sub A Peddanarappa, JE(Civ) Garrison Engineer (I) Karwar Military Engineer Services Karwar - 581308	
(h)	Lt Cdr C G Ingleshwar (05368-Z) Project Coordinator PIMT, Karwar	
Board President		
Captain Praveen Thapa Deputy Director General (PI) Project Implementation and Monitoring Team Project Seabird, Karwar		 (Praveen Thapa) Captain DDG (PI)

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Dated: 12-05-2023

To,

Deputy Director General, (PI),
Project Sea bird,
PIMT, Office Arga,
Karwar

Sir,

SUB: Re-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.

- REF:1) Govt. of India letter No: F.No. 4 KRB 1249/2020-BAN/780 dated: 07-10-2022 and 4 KRB 1249/2020-BAN/267 dated:02-05-203
- 2) 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, 26-12-2022 and 08-05-2023
- 3) Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle, Sirsi's letter No: B2/GFL/CR-324/1983-84 dated: 27-12-2022
- 4) Your letter No:SB/K/Forest dated: 27-11-2020
- 5) This office letter even No. dated: 18-01-2023

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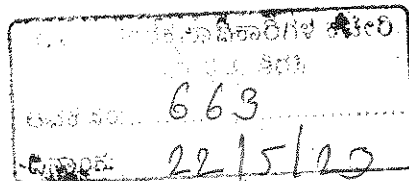
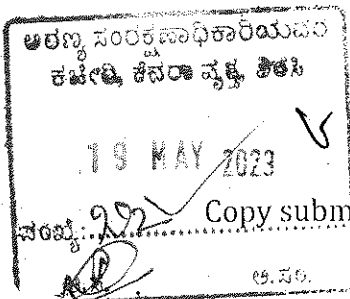
Your attention to invited to this office letter cited at reference (5), where in you have been requested to furnish the action taken report including officials involved in violating re-diversion of 2.469 ha. forest land without prior approval of the Govt. of India under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for construction of toll plaza in Hattikeri village Sy.No: 10/A1A1A, Belekeri Hobali, Ankola Taluka, Uttara Kannada District.

But so far no response from your end. During 33rd Fortnightly Regional Coordination Meeting (FRCM) of the MoEF & CC, Govt. of India Integrated Regional Office, Bengaluru held on 12-05-2023 through video conference, the committee directed to obtain and submit the name of official involved in the above violation.

Hence it is requested to furnish the name of the officials involved in above violation to this office for further necessary action at earliest.

Yours faithfully,

(Signature)
Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Karwar Division, Karwar.



Copy submitted to Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle, Sirsi for kind information.

