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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government  
Forests, Ecology & Environment Department  
M.S. Building, Bengaluru-560 001

Sir

**Sub:** Diversion of 2.5315 hectare of forest land in Rekhyia village, Mangaluru District for four laning of Addahole (near Gundya) (existing chainage KM 263 + 000, Design Chainage KM 255+140) to Bantwal Cross in favour of Project Director, Project Implementation Unit (PIU), National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), Mangaluru.

**Proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/120467/2021[FORM-A]**

- Ref:**
1. This office letter of even number dated 07-08-2021 *[seeking Stage-I approval]*, 26-10-2021*[communication of EDS query to field officers and User Agency]*
  2. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 58 FLL 2021 (e) dated 07-09-2021 *[seeking Stage-I approval]*, 05-10-2021 *[Communication of GOI EDS query]*
  3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi letter F.No. 4-KRB1313/2021-BAN/692 dated 28-09-2021 *[EDS query]*
  4. Project Director, PIU Mangaluru letter No. 13012/03/2019/PIU (mnglr)/202 dated 31-12-2021 *[reply submitted to DCF Mangaluru]*
  5. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru letter No. LAND CR/69/road widening NH-75/2011-12 dated 21-01-2022 *[reply submitted to CCF, Mangaluru]*
  6. Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru letter No.A3/CR-35/Addahole (FC)/21-22 dated 27-01-2022 *[reply submitted to this office]*

With reference to the above subject, this office vide ref (1) had submitted the above mentioned proposal to Government of Karnataka seeking 'in-principle' (Stage-I) approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Government of Karnataka vide ref (2) dated 07-09-201 had forwarded the proposal to Government of India.



In response, the Government of India vide ref (3) has sought certain information on five specific points, Government of Karnataka vide ref (2) letter dated 05-10-2021 had communicated same to this office and was further communicated by this office vide ref (1) dated 26-10-2021 to User Agency and field officers.

In response, User Agency vide ref (4) has submitted the information to Deputy Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru who, after verification, vide ref (5) has submitted the information to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru and who has, in turn vide ref (6) has submitted it to this office. Based on the reports obtained from the User Agency and field officers, the information is furnished below.

Government of India EDS query dated 28-09-2021		Remarks
1	On examination of the KML files uploaded in the online portal, certain stretches of the proposed area comes under the existing ROW. Therefore, the same may be verified and proper KML files may be uploaded in the online portal.	The User Agency has uploaded corrected KML file in the portal.
2	As per the site inspection report of DCF, Mangaluru Division, an extent of 2.744 ha in Sy. No. 69/P of Rekhyia village diverted earlier has not been utilized by the User Agency after removal of tress. This unutilized forestland may be resumed by forest department.	An extent of 2.744 ha. in sy.No.69/P of Rekhyia village diverted earlier has been taken back by forest department. GPS sketch and Mahazar copy is enclosed as [Annexure-I]
3	The newly proposed Wildlife Mitigation strategy, i.e. construction of Elephant overpass duly approved by the Chief Wildlife Warden may be provided.	The proposal submitted earlier vide letter No. PCCF(WL)/DCR-26/2016-17 dated 13-12-2017 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden may kindly be considered.
4	As per the DSS analysis of the degraded forest land proposed for CA, it is observed that the proposed area is having dense and moderate dense forest. It may be clarified as to whether the identified land is suitable for planting a minimum of 1000 trees per ha as stipulated in the FC guidelines.	As per the spot inspection report of Range Forest Officer, Belthangady the identified CA land is a moderate area as reported 1000 plants per ha could be planted. Copy enclosed as [Annexure-II]
5	condition wise compliance report for the final approval accorded by this office vide letter No. 4-KRC1074/2015 dated 8th	Condition wise compliance report submitted by the User Agency and field officers is enclosed as [Annexure-III]

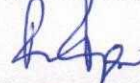


<p>August, 2017 for diversion of 33.18 ha i.e 32.69 ha of forest land in Mangaluru Division for laning of Addahole (near Gundaya) (Existing Km 263.000) to Bantwala Cross (Existing Km 328.000) section &amp; 0.49 ha forest land in Hassan Division from Hassan to (Existing Km 189.7000) to Maranahally(Existing Km 237.000) section of NH-75 in favour of Project Director, NHAI, Bengaluru.</p>	
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In view of the above, it is requested to move the matter with the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Bengaluru for seeking (Stage-I) approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

The relevant documents in 3 sets are submitted here with for kind perusal and further action. The present status of the proposal obtained from the web-portal is also appended for necessary action.

Yours faithfully



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

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Circle, Mangaluru for information.

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

Copy to the Project Director & DGM (T), National Highway Authority of India, Project Implementation Unit, Door No.3-29, Bethel, Tharethota, near Pumpwell, NH-66, Mangaluru-575 005 for information.