

## Government of Gujarat Forest & Environment Department

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No. FCA-1020/8-01/20/SF-237/F

Date:

To,

Sr. Assistant Inspector General of Forest (FC Division)

25 NOV 2021

Government of India,

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,

FC Division, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,

Aliganj, Jorbagh Road,

New Delhi-110003.

Subject: Diversion of 598.2427 Ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act-1980, Methala Bandhara, Ta-Talaja, Dist-Bhavnagar of Gujarat State in favour of Executive Engineer, Salinity Control Division, Bhavnagar.

Sir.

Please refer to your letter F.No. 8-06-2021-FC, Dt.10/05/2021 on the subject cited above and the required information are furnished as under.

- 1. There is no violation made by User Agency. The 417.00 ha. forest area which is already submerged under water it is because of Sea tide water. There is no any violation under FCA-1980 Act so that there are not any officer responsible.
- 2. The Cost benefit analysis as per the MoEF&CC guideline issued vide letter No.7-69/20211-FC(Pt.) dated 01.08.2017 is submitted herewith.
- 3. The approved copy of CAT plan is submitted herewith and also uploaded on PARIVESH portal.
- 4. A legible copy of Geo-referenced maps of areas proposed for CA is uploaded on PARIVESH portal.
- 5. Collector, Bhavnagar had given the CA land allotment letter to State Forest Department but till now State Forest Department has not possess that land. As per DILR map, Out of the total CA land 454.9946 ha is encroachment free, while 140.5978 ha. area is encroached by local

people and 2.6503 ha. area has pond. User agency has assured the State Forest Department to give encroachment free CA land.

- 6. There are Gando Baval in the proposed site which is not obstructed in the project and also its environmental cost is more than profession cost so it is not required to cut down.
- 7. There are not any link of the 2.25 ha. proposal with the current proposal. Moreover User agency has deleted the 2.25 ha. proposal in the portal. A copy of the same is attached herewith.

Yours Faithfully.

(S.J.Pandit)

Additional Secretary

Encl. As above.

Forest & Environment Department

## copy to:-

- 1. Regional Officer, IRO-Gandhinagar, A-407 & A-409, Aranya Bhavan, CH-3 Circle, Sectr-10 A, Gandhinagar-382010
- 2. Nodal officer (FCA), Pr. Chief Conservator of Forest's Office, Gujarat State, 'Aranya Bhavan' Sector-10/A, Gandhinagar
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