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To,

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central),  
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,  
Regional Office (WCZ), Ground Floor, East Wing,  
New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines,  
Nagpur 440001.

**Sub:** Diversion of 0.34 ha. forest land in favour of Executive Director  
(Planning), Mumbai Metro Railway Corporation, Bandra (East), Mumbai  
for construction of Dharavi Railway Station for Metro Rail Project-III in  
Mumbai Suburban District of Maharashtra.. regarding

**Ref:** 1) GOI letter No. FC-I/MIH-43/2016-NGP/1342 dated 10/02/2017.

2) Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Mangrove Cell, Mumbai  
letter No. land /213/2017-18 dated 20/04/2017

Sir,

As desired by Government of India vide letter dated 10/02/2017, Addl. Principal Chief  
Conservator of Forest, Mangrove Cell, Mumbai has submitted the copies of queries compliance.  
A copy of the same is enclosed herewith for your information and further necessary action.

The User Agency has explored alternatives and stated that the option 1 of Dharavi  
station is located at the junction of 60ft road and Mahim sion link road. In this option, the  
temporary space required for mobilization of the construction machinery is in ecologically  
sensitive area. In addition to this, it also requires demolition of large number of building  
infrastructure for station allied facilities. Hence, this option is not considered. The option 2 this  
is located at Dharavi T Junction of Mahim-Sion link road towards, Sion. Thus, option involves  
clearing of mangroves, reclamation of water body and demolition of building infrastructure.  
Hence, this option is not considered. The present location of Dharavi Station Dharavi T junction  
on Mahim-Sion link road towards Mahim though part of station activities are located in  
ecologically sensitive area but it does not involve clearing of mangroves demolition of building  
infrastructure. The Divisional Forest Officer (Mangrove), Mumbai has also certified that no

alternative alignment is possible and the forest land required is the barest minimum. On this ground, PCCF Office has recommended the proposal and submitted to Government of India for approval.

It is therefore requested that the required information may please be taken into consideration & the proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 may be approved as early as possible.

**Encls.:** As above

Yours faithfully,

(G Sai Prakash)

**Draft Approved by**  
**Addl. P.C.C.E & N.O. M.S. Nagpur**

**For Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
& Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur**

*Handwritten initials and date:*  
26/4/17

**Copy** submitted to Secretary (Forests), Revenue and Forests Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai for information and further necessary action.

**Copy** to Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Mangrove Cell, Mumbai for information.

**Copy** to Executive Director (Planning), Mumbai Metro Railway Corporation, Bandra (East), Mumbai for information