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Desk-10/FCA/A-20/CR-80/24-25/ 16 /2026-27

Dated: 27/04/2026

**Letter**

To,

**The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
and Nodal Officer,  
Maharashtra State,  
Nagpur - 440 001.**

Subject- Diversion of 243.74 ha (Shahapur division 181.45 ha. and West Nashik division 62.29 ha.) Forest land for Bhavali Pumped Storage Project (1500 MW) village Kothale & Kalbhode in Tal-shahapur Dist-Thane & village Jamunde, Tal-Igatpuri, Dist- Nashik in the State of Maharashtra.

- Ref- 1. Government of India, MoEF&CC, New Delhi letter dated 20.04.2026  
2. Your office letter no.Desk-17/S1/PID-153240/Thane/154, dated 21.04.2026  
3. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Shahapur letter no.Desk-10/FCA/129, dt.24.04.2026

Government of India & your office has raised 6 queries vide reference No.1 and 2. Accordingly, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Shahapur has submitted the compliance of the same vide reference No.3. This office agrees with the same.

2.00 Three sets of queries compliance reports are attached herewith for information and further necessary action.

Encl- As above 2 sets.

*(N. R. Praveen)* 27/04/26

**Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane**

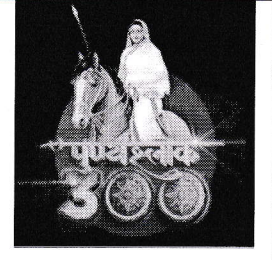
Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Nashik for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Shahapur and West Nashik for information and necessary action.

Copy to Authorized signatory, JSW Energy PSP Two Limited at JSW centre, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (East) Mumbai-400 051 for information and necessary action.



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No.D-10/FCA / 129 / 2026-27 Shahapur 421 601 date 24/ 04 / 2026

To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests (T.)  
Thane.

Subject:- Proposal for diversion of 243.74 ha. (Shahapur division 181.45 and West Nashik diversion 62.29 ha) Forest Land for Bhavali Pumped storage Project (1500MW) Village Kothale and Kalbhonde in Tal. Shahapur Dist. Thane & Village Jamunde Tal. Igatpuri, Dist. Nashik in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/HYD/153240/2022)

- Ref.:- 1) Application letter of Mr.Lalit Parab, DGM- Projects, M/S JSW Egergy PSP Two Limited. 06.3.2022
- 2) Letter From the Government of India, MoEF&CC, New Delhi Dated 20/04/2025.
  - 3) Letter from APCCF & Nodel Officer, Nagpur Dated Desk -17/ FCA-S1/PID/-153240/ Thane/ 154/2025-26 dt.21.04.2026.
  - 4) Your Office letter No Desk-10/FCA/CR-80/24-25/09/25-26, Dt.21/03/2026
  - 5) This office letter Desk-10/FCA/ 148 /25-26, dt.23.04.2026
  - 6) Compliance letter of Mr.Lalit Parab, DGM- Projects, M/S JSW Egergy PSP Two Limited. 23.04.2026
  - 7) Letter From DCF, West Nashik No.Deck-3/Land/109 dated 23/04/2026.
  - 8) Letter From CCF, Nashik No.Deck-2/Land/C.No58/2024-25/198/ dated 24/04/2026.

With reference to subject mentioned above, this is to respectively inform you that, the Government of India, MoEF&CC, New Delhi has raised 6 queries vide letter reference No.2 and APCCF & Nodel Officer, Nagpur letter reference No.3 and also CCF Thane forwarded letter reference No.4 Accordingly, reference letter No.5 has been informed that to submit the Condition wise compliance report by the User Agency.

The User Agency has submitted the point-wise compliance of the shortcomings raised by the GOI MoEF&CC, New Delhi vide letter dated 20.04.2026 to this office and the office of Deputy conservator of Forest, West Nashik accordingly letter No.6 along with necessary documents / undertakings to Deputy Conservator of Forest, West Nashik. Then they submitted that compliance report to Chief conservator of forest, Nashik by reference No.7. The office of Chief Conservator of Forest, Nashik accordingly letter No 8 along with five sets of queries compliance reports are attached for information and further necessary action.

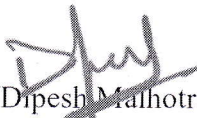
According to EDS issued on 20 April 2026 By MoEF&CC to submitted the compliance report along with necessary documents / undertakings as follow.

Sr. No.	Observations Raised	Compliance
1	The State Govt. submitted that the User Agency has undertaken to stabilize and scientifically reclaim the muck disposal sites post-use and to restore them with vegetation in accordance with the approved plan. However, the details with regard to the surrender schedule of the land proposed for Muck disposal (23.122 ha) along with an undertaking has not been furnished by the User Agency. The same needs to be submitted by the State Govt.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking for confirming that within 6 months Commercial Operation of Bhavali PSP, 23.122 Ha. designated Muck Dumping area will be handed over to State Forest Department post stabilizing reclaiming the muck disposal area. as <u>Annexure-1</u> .
2	The State Government has submitted that the overall forest land requirement for the project has been reduced from 243.74 ha to 207.171 ha, i.e., a reduction of 36.569 ha (17.788 ha from muck dumping sites and 19.781 ha. from proposed roads). However, it has also been indicated that the total reduction is 36.59 ha. Accordingly, the State Government may be requested to reconcile and rectify this discrepancy.	The User Agency has proposed an area reduction from 243.74 ha to 207.171 ha, the total area reduction is 36.569 ha. In revised area statement some component area is reduced and some component area is added. The User Agency has submitted revised component wise Breakup and Area Statement as <u>Annexure-2</u> .
3	The State Govt. has submitted that the User Agency has also undertaken to submit the updated KML files and relevant documents along with Stage- I compliance. However, the revised component wise KML files for the proposed area of 207.171 ha needs to be submitted. The same shall be submitted by the State Govt.	The User Agency uploaded component wise Revised KML file on Parivesh Portal Part-I.  The User Agency has submitted revised KML File in Pen Drive /CD <u>Annexure-3</u> .
4	The State Govt. has not made the necessary correction on the Part-I and Part-II of the online application form as per the revised proposal area of 207.171 ha. The same needs to be done by the State Govt. along with the revised component wise breakup of the land proposed for diversion.	The User Agency has updated area statement for revised proposal area of 207.171 ha. and uploaded on Parivesh Part-I. <u>Online Part-I copy is attached</u> . The User Agency has submitted an undertaking that Other related documents will be uploaded as part of Stage-I compliance as <u>Annexure-4</u> . <b>The option to carry out the necessary corrections in Part-II is not available in this office login. Therefore, it is requested that the proposal may kindly be considered under the provisions of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, as per the corrections submitted by the User Agency, and forwarded to the</b>

		<b>Central Government for obtaining prior approval.</b>
5	The State Govt. shall clarify whether the DPR of the proposal has been revised as per the revised area. If yes, the revised DPR needs to be submitted by the State Government.	The User Agency has submitted that there is no change in the project layout and components Hence, there is no requirement of revision in the approved DPR. Approach/access to project components and dumping & job facility areas have been optimized with an objective of minimising the forest land diversion. Further, the revised Forest diversion area of 207.171 ha. has been comprehensively mapped duly considering the changes in some component areas due to overlap between underground and surface works, which has been updated.
6	The State Government has submitted that for access roads, upon review, optimization measures such as reduction in carriageway width and adoption of underground access have been undertaken. Consequently, the forest land requirement for roads in the lower reservoir area has been reduced from 39.162 ha to 19.381 ha (reduction of 19.781 ha). As per Van (Sanrakshan evam samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, even in case of underground roads without surface rights, the diversion of forest area involved is required and payment of compensatory levies is essential. State government may clarify that if underground road area is correctly included in the proposal	User Agency has submitted that the optimization measures for access roads, including reduction in carriage way width and adoption of underground access, have been duly incorporated in the revised proposal with the objective of minimizing forest land diversion. The forest land involved in underground road components has been fully accounted for in the total forest land proposed for diversion, including underground stretches .

This above information four sets of EDS Proposal & Pen drive/CD are enclosed herewith for further necessary action.

Encl: - As above.

  
(Dipesh Malhotra)

Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Shahapur Forest Division, Shahapur

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Copy to:- M/s JSW Energy PSP Two Limited, Bandra (E) ,Mumbai for information.