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Proposal No. FP/KA/WATER/26128/2017

To,

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

Madam,

Sub: Diversion of 0.352 ha of forest land in Sy. No. 56 of Kollur Village, Kundapur Taluk, Udupi District for construction of Vented Dam for providing water to Kollur village in favour of the Executive Officer, Sri Mookambika Temple, Kollur-reg.

- Ref: 1. This office letter of even number dated 06-12-2017 submitting proposal to Government of Karnataka for Stage-I clearance.
2. Letter No.FEE 111 FLL 2017 dated 02-02-2018 of Government of Karnataka submitting proposal to Government of India for Stage-I clearance.
3. Letter No.4-KRB 1141/2018-BAN/1540 dated 12-03-2018 of Government of India.
4. This office letter of even number dated 26-03-2018 to the filed officers.
5. Letter No.A3/CR-47/Vented Dam/Kolluru (FC)/2017-18 dated 04-06-2018 of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Circle, Mangaluru.

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In response to the proposal for diversion of 0.352 ha forest land submitted vide ref (1) & (2) in the subject matter, Government of India vide ref (3) has directed to verify whether the proposed area for diversion forms Part of Kolluru Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary. Based on the opinion of the Chief Wildlife Warden, Karnataka, the matter was referred vide ref (4) to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Circle to verify and submit site inspection report on the status of the land in question.

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Circle, Mangaluru having visited the site on 31-05-2018, along with Deputy Conservator of Forests, Kudremukha Wildlife Division has submitted the site inspection report in the matter and the same is briefed as following (copy enclosed).

*'The specific point that was to be ascertained through this inspection is whether the proposed area for diversion (vented dam site) forms part of Kolluru Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary. To ascertain this, it was necessary to go through the relevant notifications pertaining to Sanctuary. Upon perusal of records, it was found that Sanctuary was notified on 17-06-1974 and was confirmed in 22-05-1978 (Enclosed). Later, vide No.FEE 302 FLL 2011-(iii) dated 27-12-2011, limits and the boundaries of the sanctuary were altered (copy enclosed). In this order, **the sanctuary was reorganized comprising of Reserve Forests only and it will not include any of the revenue villages, patta lands, revenue lands, gomal lands and such other area which do not form any part of state forests or Reserve forests.** With this background, it was essential to find out whether the proposed site for vented dam falls within any reserve forest. Upon perusal of the maps, it was seen that the nearest reserve forest is Meganivalley. Upon reading of the reserve forest notification (enclosed), it was seen that the boundary description mentions the cairon numbers. There is mention of cairons-193, 193 A, 194, 195, 196, 197. Along with the staff, I perambulated the area and cairon number 197 was located which is in the form of Guppe and cairon number chistled. Keeping this as the base other cairons were located and GPS track was marked on map. Similarly, the river trajectory was also marked on the map. Then, the GPS location of the vented dam site was marked on the map. From the map prepared it was seen that the vented dam site (proposed area for diversion) falls outside the Meganivalley reserved forest and hence does not form part of the Kolluru Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary.'*

Further, in support of his inspection note Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Circle, Mangaluru has submitted the following documents.

- i. Notification No.AFD 48 FWL 74 dated 17-06-1974 notifying Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary spread over 247.00 sq km.

- ii. Copy of Notification No.AFD 48 FWL 74 dated 22-05-1978 regarding confirmation of formation of Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary.
- iii. Notification No. FEE 302 FWL 2011-(III) dated 27-12-2011 regarding the alteration of limits and boundaries of said wildlife Sanctuary.
- iv. Notification No.388 dated 05-09-1899 notifying Meganivalley forest as Reserve Forest.

Under the above circumstances, agreeing with the site inspection report of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Circle, Mangaluru it is requested to move the matter with Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Bengaluru for further action in the matter, as the proposed forest land for diversion in the instant case falls outside the limits of Kolluru Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary.

Yours faithfully,

Draft Approved by the
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

Copy with compliments to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), MoEF & CC, Regional Office (Southern Zone), Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main Road, 2nd Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-560 034 for information.

Copy with compliments to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) and Chief Wildlife Warden, Karnataka, Aranya Bhavana, Bengaluru for information.

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

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

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Kudremukha Wildlife Division, Karkala for information.

Copy to the Executive Officer, Sri Mookambika Temple, Kollur Post Udupi District-576 220 for information.

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