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Dated : As per E-Signature

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,
 Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,
 M.S.Building, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi,
 Bangalore – 560 001.

Sub:- Diversion of 1.62 hectare of forest land in F.Sy.No.68 of Unakal village of Dharwad District (Dharwad Forest Division) for Housing Purpose in favour of the President, Hubli journalist's Cooperative Society, Hubli (Online Proposal No. FP/KA/Others/40823/2019)-Reg

Sir

I am directed to refer to State Government letter No. FEE 174 FLL2024 dated 12.01.2026 vide which the additional information sought by this office vide letter of even no. dt 30.05.2025 is submitted. After analyzing the additional information submitted it is observed that Nodal officer vide letter dt 30.12.2025 has reported that upon verification in the field it was indeed found that the Forest land is under continuous possession of user agency even after the expiry of the lease period. Hence, it may be treated as Violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardan) Adhiniyam 1980.

In this regard, the State Government is requested to submit the instant proposal to MoEF&CC, New Delhi along with the Action Taken Report and details of the erring official as per Rule 10(2)(v) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardan) Rules 2023 for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

(Yasodha K)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.

2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (VSESA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
3. The Hubli Journalists Co-Operative Housing Society, Patrakartanagar, Nripatunga Hills (West), Hubli-580032