

## भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

## पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE

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F. No. FC-I/MH-45/2016-NGP / 134)

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya Mumbai.

Sub:

Diversion of 0.91 ha Forest land in favour of Executive Director (Planning), Mumbai Metro Railway Corporation, Bandara (East), Mumbai for construction of Bandra Kurla Railway Station for Metro Rail Project-III in Mumbai Suburban District in the State of Maharashtra – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, vide his letter no. Desk- Desk-17/NC/II/ID 12446/(60)/1745/16-17 dated 16-17 dated 14.12.2016 on the above subject forwarding additional information as sought by the Regional Office, vide its letter of even number dated 9.09.2016 and to say that examination of the said information in the Regional Office revealed following:

- i. Examination of the compliance revealed that supporting documents viz. records of consultation and meetings of the Sub-Divisional Level Committee and Ward Committee/ Gram Sabha have not been submitted along with the compliance. Further, the District Collector has issued certificate in the format prescribed under Form-I instead of submitting the same as per Form-II as the project falls in the non-linear category. Therefore, revised certificate of the District Collector, along with the supporting documents following the due process of settlement of rights as specified under Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 Rules, 2007 may be and relevant Guidelines issue thereof may be submitted by the State Government.
- ii. Differential GPS map of the area proposed for diversion as well as area identified for raising CA have not been submitted. The same duly certified by the concerned DCF along with soft copies of their shape files, may be submitted in hard copy as well as in the online proposal
- iii. A copy of the reclamation/restoration plan of the forest area proposed to be used for temporary purposes has not been submitted along with the compliance report.
- iv. Specific comments of the Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra on the submission made by the User Agency regarding exploration of alternatives may be submitted by the State Government.

In view of the above, I am directed to inform the State Government to submit the information on the shortcomings as indicated above, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Charan Jeet Singh) Scientist 'C'

## Copy to:

- 1. The PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur
- 2. The Nodal Officer FCA), O/o of the PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- 3. User Agency.
- 4. Guard File.

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