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To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),  
Revenue and Forest Department,  
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk  
Madam Cama Marg  
Mantralaya, Mumbai - 400032.

**Sub: Diversion of 8.2222 ha. Forest land in favour of City Industrial Development Corporation Of Maharashtra for construction of coastal road from jalmarg sector-16 Kharghar to Sector-11 in CBD Belapur and Balance Link Transport Terminal in Nerul Mumbai in Mangrove and Raigad District in the State of Maharashtra- regarding.**

Sir,

With reference to the subject matter, it is to inform that the instant proposal was placed before 112<sup>th</sup> Regional Empowered Committee (REC) meeting held on 06/08.02.2024. After detailed discussion and examination of the proposal, the Committee decided to **DEFER** the proposal and seek following details from the State Government:

- Status of CRZ clearance from the NCZMA and to submit copy of the clearance if already obtained and if not, same needs to be obtained from the competent authority;
- Status of the CRZ Zone Notification, activities prescribed under the CZMP in force and alternatives examined to shift the road to avoid mangroves;
- Explore to identify suitable non forest area where mangrove plantation can be undertaken as CA to ensure that loss of mangrove ecosystem is compensated;
- Requirement of non forest area and Degraded Forest area towards Compensatory Afforestation to be examined as per the provision of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023.

In view of the decision of the REC and as directed, I am herewith

requested the State government to submit details as sought by the Committee to this office at the earliest please

This issues with the approval of DDGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,

  
(C.B. Tashildar)  
AIGF (Central)

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- iii. Guard file.

  
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