

Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2022

To,

The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests),  
Department of Forests & Environment,  
Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

**Sub:-Proposal for diversion of 160.4 ha. of forest land in Sy. No.138 and 146 of Karlakatti Village, Sy. No.128,129 and 130 of Chakrageri Village and Sy. No.3 and 4 of Kagihal Village, Savadatti (Saundatti) Taluk, Belagavi District (Ghataprabha Division Gokak) for construction of Standalone Pumped Storage Component of Saundatti Integrated Renewable Energy Project (IREP) in favour of the M/s. Greenko Solar Energy Private Limited, Bengaluru, Karnataka State (Online Proposal No.FP/KA/HYD/37723/2018)-Reg**


Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Karnataka's letter No. FEE 57 FLL 2021 (e) dated 17th November, 2021 on the above-mentioned subject seeking prior approval of Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. In this regard it is informed that the matter was discussed in the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 27.01.2022. The detailed minutes of the said FAC meeting is uploaded in the parivesh.nic.in. After through deliberation, FAC deferred the proposal seeking following details:-

- i. User Agency to submit R & R plan for displaced people from the site.
- ii. User Agency to take NOC from Renuka Sagar Dam Authority and other related departments.
- iii. State Government to identify DFL for Compensatory Afforestation.

In view of above, it is requested that the State Government may kindly submit the information/documents as stated above to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Jiju J.S.)

Technical Officer

Copy to: -

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.
2. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bengaluru.

3. The Nodal Office(FCA), Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi, for uploading.