

भारत सरकार **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA** पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001 & CLIMATE CHANGE

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

Sub: Diversion of 11.78 ha Reserved Forest Land in favour of National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), PIU- Aurangabad for Rehabilitation and Up-gradation of existing two lane to four lane of Aurangabad- Koradi section of NH-211, to 4 lane from km 290.200 to Km 376.000 and Km 390.000 to Km 452.800 (Design Chainage 290.200 Km in Aurangabad to Koradi 320.640 Km) in Aurangabad District in the State of Maharashtra - Regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Maharashtra's letter no. FLD-2018/CR-324/F-10 dated 14.12.2018 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra letter No. Desk-17/NC/I/I.D-/1697/17-18 dated 01.12.2018 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The instant proposal was considered by the Regional Empowered Committee in its meeting held on 25th January, 2019. The Committee, after detailed examination and discussion, decided to approve the proposal and desired that Stage-I may be issued only after receipt of information on the below mentioned points;

i. Area calculation statement mentioning exact area required for bye pass and Rehabilitation & Up-gradation may be submitted by the User Agency.

ii. As the proposal also involves construction of bye pass road, title of the project in online application may be changed accordingly and copy of the same may be submitted.

iii. KML file of full alignment highlighting forest patches may be submitted.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit information as desired by the REC as above for further consideration of the proposal for approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours faithfully,

(Suresh Kumar Adapa)

Scientist 'D'

Copy to:

i. The PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.

ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.

iii. User agency.

iv. Guard file.

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