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F. No.: 9-HRB150/2022-CHA



Dated: January, 2025

To,

The Additional Chief Secretary,
Government of Haryana,
Haryana Civil Secretariat,
Sector-1, Chandigarh

Sub:- Diversion of 0.0026 ha of forest land used for access to Agro Based Warehouse and Recreational property on Delhi Ambala Highway, NH-1 (new NH-44), between Km. Stone No. 112-113, at village Kutail, Tehsil Gharaunda, under Forest Division and District Karnal, Haryana. (Online Proposal No. FP/HR/Approach/150132/2021)-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to the State Government of Haryana's letter no. E/1177 dated 14.07.2022, submitting the above mentioned proposal seeking prior approval of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that examination of the proposal in the Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Chandigarh revealed that the instant proposal involves violation and User agency had applied for FC clearance before the violation report was issued. In view of the violation report and facts therein, the violation has been carried out while the FC proposal is under consideration, therefore, the activities carried out are violation of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980. Accordingly, the violation need to be dealt as per the provisions under the Para 1.16 (ii) of the Consolidated Guidelines issued under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980 and following action are proposed:

- The penalty for violation shall be equal to NPV of forest land per hectare for each year of violation from the date of actual diversion as reported by the inspecting officer with maximum up to five (5) times the NPV plus 12 percent simple interest from the date of raising of such demand till the deposit is made.
- State Government will initiate disciplinary action against the official concerned for not being able to prevent use of forest land for non-forestry purpose without prior approval of Government of India.
- Central Government will initiate suitable action against the concerned offender.
- User Agency responsible for violation shall be prosecuted under relevant local Act of the State and/or Central Act for unauthorized use of forest land without the permission of State authority.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to send detailed report on the action taken as per Para (b) and (d) to this office for further consideration of the matter.

This issue with the approval of the DDGF (Central), MoEF&CC, RO, Chandigarh.

Yours faithfully

(Dr. Raja Ram Singh)
DIG (Central)

Copy to:

- The PCCF (HoFF), Govt. of Haryana, State Forest Department, Van Bhawan, Sector-6 Panchkula, Haryana.
- The APPCF (Nodal Officer), Govt. of Haryana, State Forest Department, Van Bhawan, Sector-6 Panchkula, Haryana