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To

The Secretary,
Govt. of Maharashtra,
Revenue & Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400032

Sub: Diversion of 0.30 ha of reserved forest land in favour of Vasantdada Sugar Institute, Manjari (Bk) Pune for construction of slight widening of existing kaccha road at forest land at village Amboli, Teh - Sawantwadi, Dist. - Sindhudurg in the state of Maharashtra – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra's letter no. **Desk-17/NC/II/ID 12356/(23)/2352/2017-18 dated 3.01.2018** on the above subject forwarding additional information as sought by the Regional Office vide its letter of even number dated 21.11.2017 and to say that examination of the said information in the Regional Office revealed following:


- i. Complete Form-A has not been uploaded in online portal in accordance with the CIC Guidelines.
- ii. Original certificate of District Collector Sindhudurg has not been submitted. Further, the records of consultations and meeting of the Sub-Divisional Committee has not been submitted along with the compliance.
- iii. With regards to the involvement of forest survey number in the proposal, the State Government has mentioned that the User Agency has submitted proposal corresponding to forest area involved in survey number of 259, 271 and 275 only. The submission made by the State Government is not corroborated by the fact reported in the site inspection report dated 26.07.2014 of the DCF mentioning involvement of forest survey no. 259, 270, 271, 273 and 275 in the area of 0.30 Ha. An appropriate map on 1:3000 scale, depicting the proposed road alignment vis-à-vis forest survey no. needs to be submitted by the State Government.
- iv. Further, no comments have been submitted by the State Government on existing status of accessibility to Survey No. 216 B/1 and involvement of forest land thereof where the User Agency has plan to set up its premises.
- v. Further, the State Government has clarified that the User Agency has utilized the existing road for undertaking activities like Hybridization garden, construction of laboratory, crossing programme, etc without the prior approval of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Use of forest land for non-forestry activities without the prior approval of the Central Government amounts to the violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The State Government may therefore, submit its considered opinion on the violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 committed by the User Agency

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- vi. Details of employment potential in terms of man days of skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided by the State Government.

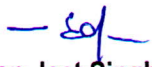
In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to submit the information on the shortcomings, as indicated above, to this office for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,


(Charan Jeet Singh)
Scientist 'C'

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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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