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**E-88119** Date 14-03-2023

The Chief Conservator of Forests Mangaluru Circle, Mangaluru

Sub: Diversion of 2.5315 hectare of forest land in Rekhya village, Mangaluru District for four laning of Addahole (near Gundya) (existing chainage KM 263 + 000, Design Chainage KM 255+140) to Bantwal Cross in favour of Project Director, Project Implementation Unit (PIU), National Highway Authority of India (NHAI), Mangaluru.

## Proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/120467/2021[FORM-A]

- **Ref:** 1. This office letter of even number dated 25-02-2022 [Submission of additional information to GOK]
  - 2. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 58 FLL 2021 (e) dated 24-02-2023 [Communication of information to GOI], 13-03-2023 [Communication of GOI EDS query]
  - **3.** Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi letter F.No. 4-KRB1313/2021-BAN/394 dated 03-03-2023 [EDS query]

With reference to the above subject, this office vide ref (1) has submitted the additional information to Government of Karnataka seeking '*in-principle*' (Stage-I) approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Accordingly, Government of Karnataka vide ref (2) letter dated 24-02-2023 was forwarded the same to Government of India.

In response, the Government of India vide ref (3) has informed that the proposal was discussed in the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) meeting held on 01-03-2023 and REC after detailed deliberation recommended that the User Agency in consultation with State Forest Department shall decide on the exact location-wise elevated corridors/underpass for the elephants with specifications. The area proposed for diversion, if needed, may be modified accordingly. (copy enclosed)

The State Government may also provide the comments sought by IRO based on the site inspection report.

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Accordingly, Government of Karnataka vide ref (2) letter dated 13-03-2023 had communicated the same to this office. Therefore, you are directed to submit clarification/information sought by Government of India after obtaining the same form the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Division and User agency. The online link is transferred to you for further transfer of the same to the user agency through Deputy Conservator of Forests Mangaluru Division.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA)

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## Copy to the:

1. Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Mangaluru Division, Mangaluru for information and necessary action.

2. Copy to the Project Director & DGM (T), National Highway Authority of India, Project Implementation Unit, Door No.3-29, Bethel, Tharethota, near Pumpwell, NH-66, Mangaluru-575 005 for information.