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No.:Desk-17/Nodal/FCA/S1/PID-39591/Chandrapur/2023-24/3093

Nagpur - 440 001, Dated: 06/02/2024

The Chief Conservator of Forests (T),

Chandrapur

Diversion of 315.74 ha. forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Renovation of Asolamendha Irrigation Project in Division Bramhapuri, Central Chanda and Chandrapur Forest Division, Saoli, Mul and Pombhurna Takukas of Chandrapur District in the State of Maharashtra (Online NO.FP/MH/IRRIG/39591/2019)-reg.

Ref:- The Government of India, MoEF & CC, Intigrated Regional Office, Nagpur vide letter No.8-33/2022-FC, dated 02/02/2024.

Your attention is drawn to the letter under reference. In this context, the Government of India, MoEF & CC, Intigrated Regional Office, Nagpur has sought compliance on 03 points (copy enclosed).

It is therefore requested to obtain compliance of the shortcomings from the user agency and submit with all relevant documents in English to this office for further submission to the Ministry for consideration of the proposal for approval

Encl:- As above

(Naresh Zurmure) Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer

Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur Forest Division, Chandrapur for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Executive Engineer, Asolamendha Project Renovation Division, No.1 Mul for information and necessary action.

क्रमांक: कक्ष-3(1)/जिमन/2023-24/ *4128*

चंद्रपूर, दिनांक :- 28/02/2024

प्रतिलिपी:- विभागीय वन अधिकारी, चंद्रपूर वनविभाग, चंद्रपूर यांना माहिती व उचित कार्यवाहीस सस्नेह अग्रेषित. केंद्र शासनाच्या पत्रात उपस्थित केलेल्या 3 मुदयांची पूर्तता करून अहवाल तात्काळ या

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan. Jor Bag Road, Aliganj. New Delhi – 110003 Dated: February, 2024

To.

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai.

Subject: Diversion of 315.74 ha forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Renovation of Asolamendha Irrigation Project in Division Bramhapuri, Central Chanda and Chandrapur Forest Division, Saoli, Mul and Pombhurna talukas of Chandrapur District in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/IRRIG/39591/2019) – regarding.

Madam/Sir.

I am directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra's letter No. FLD-2022/CR-291/F-10 dated 14.11.2022 forwarding a proposal to obtain prior approval of the Central Government, in terms of the Section-2 (1) (ii) Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980, and to say that the said proposal was placed before the Advisory Committee (AC) in its meeting held on 17.01.2024. The minutes of the meeting of the AC may kindly be seen at www.parivesh.nic.in. After detailed deliberation on the matter, the Committee deferred the proposal and decided that:

i. The details about the command area, irrigation potential, present cropping pattern, total population of the villages to be benefitted and the likely impact of the project on cropping pattern in future is essential for evaluating the socio-economic benefits of the project. The State shall submit a detailed report on these aspects.

ii. Keeping in view the significance of the area as a wildlife habitat, it is important that the impact of the project on the wildlife and its habitat is considered beforehand. Therefore, the proposal will be considered for approval only if the approval for the same is accorded by the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wildlife (SC-NBWL). The State Govt, shall submit a copy of the wildlife clearance.

iii. The State shall explore the possibility of providing suitable non-forest land which is near to/contiguous to forest area for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation.

Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above-mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely.

Sd/-

Signed by

(Suneet Bhardwaj)

Suneet Bhardwai

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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Date: 02-02-2024 20:09:07

- 1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur:
- 2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur;
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur:
- 4. User Agency: