

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE

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F.No. FC-I/MH-218/2021-NGP/8019

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

Sub: Diversion of 2.0 ha forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of Superintendent of Police, Gadchiroli for construction of Administrative building and Residential Quarters of Arm Out Post at Village- Manerajaram, District-Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra- regarding.

Sir

The undersigned is directed to refer to Government of Maharashtra vide its letter No. FLD-2021/CR-16/F-10 dated 04.03.2021 which is received in this office on 22.03.2021 and APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra vide his letter No. Desk-17/NC/I/ID-12776/981/2020-21 dated 05.01.2021 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that preliminary scrutiny of the proposal in the Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC revealed following:

- i. Proposal has not yet been forwarded to Regional Office through online portal and is still pending at State Government level (online status as revealed on 06.04.2021 at 15.30 hrs).
- ii. Variation in KML file of area proposed for diversion uploaded in Parivesh portal and KML file submitted along with the proposal is observed. Soft copy of correct KML file along with Differential GPS in suitable scale of proposed area shall be submitted.
- iii. Details on progressive CA done till date in the Division is not mentioned by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamragarh Division, Allapalli in his Part- II. Revised Part- II mentioning the same shall be submitted.
- iv. Part- V has not been uploaded on Parivesh portal. The same shall be uploaded and intimated to this office.
- v. As per para 4.4.1 of the Handbook under the FCA, 1980 activities mentioned in the proposal is not permissible in Forest land. Justification for recommendation of instant proposal in Forest land shall be submitted by the State Government.
- vi. Complete enumeration list of trees proposed to be felled in the proposal has not been submitted. Girth wise list of trees along with species name shall be submitted.
- vii. Since, General Approval was valid till 31.12.2020, land for Compensatory Afforestation has to be identified by the State Government and the same shall be

- submitted along with CA details viz. CA suitability certificate, site specific CA scheme, KML file and Differential GPS map.
- viii. Certificate ensuring importance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 is not submitted along with the proposal. Original FRA- 2006 certificate along with documentary evidences in the form of copies of the resolutions of the concerned Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) recording their consent for the proposal and bearing signature of the participants shall be submitted. In addition to this, copies of record of proceedings of the Forest Rights Committee, Sub Divisional Level Committee(s) may also be submitted.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to submit information on the shortcomings, as indicated above, to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

This issues with the approval of Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,

(Karthik, M.L)

Technical Officer (Gr. II)

Copy to:

i. The PCCF (HoFF), 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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