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CHANGE
क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, गांधीनगर / Regional Office, Gandhinagar



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दिनांक: 02nd April, 2024

To
अपर मुख्य सचिव (वन)/The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests)
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(प्रस्ताव संख्या: FP/GJ/ROAD/152123/2022)

विषय: Diversion of 40.365 ha Protected forest land for widening and strengthening of Tithal-Valsad-Dharampur road Km. 0/0 to 31/4 (W/s 8/0 to 31/4) Ta-Valsad and Dharampur, Dist-Valsad in Gujarat State in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Valsad.

Ref.: Govt. of Gujarat letter No. FED/FLP/e-file/6/2024/0207/F dated 07.03.2024.
Madam/Sir,

This refers to the Govt. of Gujarat letter No. FED/FLP/e-file/6/2024/0207/F dated 07.03.2024 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change under Section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. After examination of the proposal of State Government, following are observed:

1. Since the area is more than 5 ha the proposal needs to be processed through Project Screening Committee (PSC). Thus, State Government is requested to submit the proposal with the recommendation of the PSC.
2. The land identified for CA purpose is degraded forest land (DFL). As per rule 13(1) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023, user agency shall provide land which is neither notified as forest under the IFA, 1927 or any other law nor managed as forest by the Forest Department and it shall also bear the cost of raising CA plantation. Thus, State Government is requested to identify suitable land in accordance with the rules for the purpose of CA and also provide all the necessary details such as KML file, CA scheme, Site suitability certificate etc.

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

भवदीय/Sincerely,
02/04/2024
(श्रवण कुमार वर्मा/Shrawan Kumar Verma)
क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी/ Regional Officer (RO)
क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, गांधीनगर/Regional Office, Gandhinagar.

प्रतिलिपि/Copy to:

1. The APCCF-cum-Nodal Officer, Aranya Bhawan, Block No. A/3, Sector- 10A, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

2. The Dy. Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Division Valsad, Valsad, Gujarat.
3. The Executive Engineer, Road and Building Division Valsad, Valsad, Gujarat.
4. Guard File/ Order File.