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To

The Chief Conservator of Forests Belagavi Circle, Belagavi

Sub: Diversion of 160.4hectare of forest land in Sy. No.138 and 146 of Karlakatti village, Sy No. 128, 129 and 130 of Chakrageri village and Sy No. 3 and 4 of Kagihal village, Savadatti (Saundatti) Taluk, Belagavi District (Ghataprabha Division, Gokak) for construction of Standalone Pumped Storage Component of Saundatti Integrated Renewable Energy Project (IREP) in favour of the M/s Greenko Solar Energy Private Limited, Bengaluru

Proposal No. FP/KA/HYD/37723/2018 [FORM-A]

- Ref: 1. This office letter of even number dated 09-03-2022 [submission of additional information to GOK]
 - 2. Government of Karnataka letterNo FEE 57 FLL 2021 dated 10-03-2022 [communication of information GOI] and 19-04-2022 [communication of GOI EDS query]
 - 3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, (Forest Conservation Division), New Delhi letter No 8-29/2021 dated 08-04-2022 [EDS query

With reference to the above subject, this office vide Ref (1) has submitted the additional information to Government of Karnataka for seeking 'in principle' (Stage-I) approval under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act. Accordingly, Government of Karnataka vide ref (2) letter dated 10-03-2022 was forwarded the same to Government of India.

In response, the Government of India vide ref (3) had raised EDS query and directed to submit the information/documents on certain four points. They are as follows (copy enclosed).

- 1. User Agency to submit NOC from Renuka Sagar Dam Authority and other related departments.
- 2. State Government to submit regarding the reclamation measures to be taken with respect to an area of 0.44 sqkms of catchment of waterfall overlapping with the area propose for upper reservoir of the project.
- 3. State Government to get a study done for reservoir about the impact on Aquatic faunal species of the reservoir due to the project.
- 4. IRO, Bengaluru to visit all states selected for CA and give clearcut recommendations about the suitability of the area for plantation

Accordingly, Government of Karnataka vide ref (2) letter dated 19-04-2022 had communicated the same to this office. Therefore, you are directed to submit clarification/information sought by Government of India after obtaining the same from the Deputy Conservator of Forests(s), Ghataprabha Division, Gokak and Bidar 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(s) Ghataprabha Division, Gokak and Bidar Division.

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

- 1. Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Kalburgi Circle for information and necessary action.
- 2. Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ghataprabha Division, Gokak and Bidar Division for information and necessary action as stated above.
- 3. Copy to the M/s Greenk Solar Energy Private Ltd. Ground floor, Prestige Khoday Tower, No.05, Raj Bhavan Road, Bengaluru 560 001 for information and necessary action as stated above.