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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
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EDS QUERY URGENT

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To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests
Ballari Circle, Ballari

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 1.84 hectare of forest land in Sy No. 25 of Chikkakasanakandi Village and submerged villages of Hole Mudlapur & Lingapur villages, Hitnala Hobli, Koppala Taluk & District for laying of Pipeline, Transmission Line, Substation and Break Pressure Tank in favour of M/s Aaress Iron and Steel Limited, Hosapete
Proposal No. FP/KA/IND/26447/2017 [Form-A]

Ref: 1. This office letter of even number dated 26-04-2022 to Government of Karnataka [Stage-I proposal]
2. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 16 FLL 2019 (e) letter dated 02-03-2022 [Stage-I proposal], letter dated 19-04-2022 [communication of the reply to EDS query sought by the Government of India]
3. Government of India letter F.No.4-KRB 1346/2022-BAN/01 dated 31-03-2022 [EDS Query]

With regard to the proposal submitted by this office vide Ref (1) seeking Stage-I approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 to the Government of Karnataka and by the State Government vide Ref (2) letter dated 02-03-2022 to the Central Government, the Government of India vide Ref (3) letter dated 31-03-2022 has raised the EDS Query (enclosed) in which it stated that the aforementioned proposal was considered in 59th Regional Empowered Committee (REC) Meeting held on 22nd March, 2022. The Committee after detailed deliberation noted the following.

- Alternative examined are not provided.
- Feasibility of laying of pipeline on elevated structure may be explored so as to minimize the felling of trees.
- Location of break preassure tank is proposed in deep inside the forest area. Possibility of relocating the same at the initial point as done previously by other User Agencies, may be examined. If at all it is not possible to locate at the initial

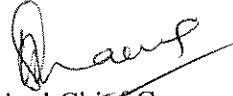
- point then the same may be proposed in non-forest area / periphery of the forest area.
- iv. Whether the validity of the consent given by the Water Resources Department vide order dated 09-11-2015 for drawl of water from Tungabhadra reservoir has been renewed as per the condition no. 24 of the said order. If so copy of the renewal document may be furnished.
 - v. CA scheme is given only for 4 years and the same has to be revised for 10 years as per the FC guidelines.
 - vi. FRA compliance certificate furnished along with the proposal is not in proper format as per the FC guidelines.
 - vii. Discrepancies in the uploaded KML file of the proposed area to be resolved.

In view of the above, the REC has decided to seek information on the above points.

Hence, you are directed to communicate to the above points to User Agency through concerned jurisdictional Deputy Conservator of Forests regarding to furnishing the needful documents sought by the Government of India at earliest to this office for further processing of the proposal.

FC web portal link is hereby transferred for further transmission to Deputy Conservator of Forests, Koppal Division.

[Note: The CA scheme needs to be revised and all the documents need to be thoroughly checked by the concerned DCF, and submitted.]




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

Copy along with copy of GOI letter communicated to the:

1. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Koppal Division, ~~Koppal~~ for furnishing the documents as mentioned above through the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle at the earliest.
2. M/s Aaress Iron and Steel Limited, Baldota Enclave, Abheraj H Baldota Road, Near Sai Baba Temple, Hosapete, Ballari District – 583 203 for information.

O/C


27-4-2022