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> EDS Query URGENT

To,

- 1) The Conservator of Forests & Director BRT Tiger Reserve, Chamarajanagar
- The Deputy Conservator of Forests
 Malai Mahadeshwara Hills Wildlife Division, Kollegala
 - Sub: 1. Diversion of 0.053 hectare of forest land for electrification of unelectrified Palar Hamlet at Ponnachi village, Hanur Sub Division, Chamarajanagar District in favour of the Executive Engineer (Electrical), Chaumundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESC), O&M Division, Chamarajanagar

[Proposal No.FP/KA/VELEC/18111/2016; Stage-I approval awaited]

2. Diversion of 0.2018 hectare of forest land for electrification of unelectrified Purapipodu Hamlet at Gumballi village, Yalandur Sub Division, Chamarajanagar District in favour of the Executive Engineer (Electrical), Chaumundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESC), Dr. Rajkumar Road, Kollegal

[Proposal No.FP/KA/VELEC/18139/2016; Stage-I approval accorded by Government of Karnataka under General Approval category]

3. Diversion of 0.064 hectare of forest land for electrification of unelectrified Keredibba Hamlet at Arabigere village, Hanur Sub Division, Chamarajanagar District in favour of the Executive Engineer (Electrical), Chaumundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESC), Dr. Rajkumar Road, Kollegal

[Proposal No.FP/KA/VELEC/18141/2016; Stage-I approval accorded by Government of Karnataka under General Approval category]

4. Diversion of 0.2483 hectare of forest land for electrification of unelectrified Hamlet by installing solar power plant at Bedaguli, Ramaiahnapodu and Marigudipodu at Bedaguli village, Chamarajanagar District in favour of the

Executive Engineer (Electrical), Chaumundeshwari Electricity Sup Corporation Limited (CESC), O&M Division, Chamarajanagar

[Proposal No.FP/KA/VELEC/18163/2016; Stage-I approval accorded by Government of Karnataka under General Approval category]

- Ref: 1. This office letter No. A5(6).GFL.CR-44/2015-16 dated: 15-02-2017 [seeking Stage-I approval in respect of Proposal No.FP/KA/VELEC/18111/2016]
 - 2. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 44 FLL 2017 dated 04-07-2017 [Stage-I approval accorded by GOK in respect of proposal No. FP/KA/VELEC/18139/2016]
 - 3. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 43 FLL 2017 dated 04-07-2017 [Stage-I approval accorded by GOK in respect of proposal No. FP/KA/VELEC/18141/2016]
 - 4. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 56 FLL 2017 dated 04-07-2017 [Stage-I approval accorded by GOK in respect of proposal No. FP/KA/VELEC/18163/2016]
 - 5. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 09 FLL 2017 dated 13-06-2019 [seeking present stats of the works taken up by the User Agency]

This office vide Ref (1) has submitted a proposal for seeking approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.053 hectare of forest land for electrification of unelectrified Palar Hamlet at Ponnachi village, Hanur Sub Division, Chamarajanagar District in favour of the Executive Engineer (Electrical), Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESC), O&M Division, Chamarajanagar (Proposal No. FP/KA/VELEC/18111/2016).

Further, the Government of Karnataka vide Ref (2) (3) & (4) has accorded 'in-principle' (Stage-I) clearanceunder General Approval category subject to certain conditions including wildlife clearance in respect of proposals mentioned in the abovementioned subject vide Sl. No. (2) (3) & (4). The Government of Karnataka vide Ref (5) has now sought a report whether the User Agency has commenced the work based on the 'in-principle' (Stage-I) approval accorded by the State Government in respect of the abovementioned three proposals [Ref (2) (3) & (4)]. Copy of the GOK letter is enclosed herewith.

Therefore, you are requested to verify through field inspection by either yourself or through jurisdictional Assistant Conservator of Forests whether the project has been executed on forest land without proper FC approval or not. The present status report along with relevant documents including photographs should be submitted through Chief Conservator of Forests, Chamarajanagar Circleto this office (in hard copy as well as through FC web portal)immediately.

The FC web portal link is being transferred to Chief Conservator of Forests, Chamarajanagara Circle for transmission of the same through you to User Agency.

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

Copy to:

- 1) Chief Conservator of Forests, Chamarajanagara Circle for information and necessary action to submit the above report along with your specific remarks.
- 2) Executive Engineer (Electrical), Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESCOM), O&M Division, Chamarajanagar for information. It is requested to submit the present status of works undertaken, if any, in forest land concerning the abovementioned projects (along with the details of such project works and photographs) in hard copy as well as through FC web portal through the Conservator of Forests & Director, BRT Tiger Reserve, Chamarajanagar immediately.
- 3) Executive Engineer (Electrical), Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Limited (CESCOM), Dr. Rajkumar Road, Kollegal for information. It is requested to submit the present status of works undertaken, if any, in forest land concerning the abovementioned projects (along with the details of such project works and photographs) in hard copy as well as through FC web portal through the Conservator of Forests & Director, BRT Tiger Reserve, Chamarajanagar immediately.
- 4) Copy to the following files:
 - a) A5(6)(GFL).CR-46/2015-16
 - b) A5(6)(GFL).CR-49/2015-16
 - c) A5(6)(GFL).CR-53/2015-16