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To

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government of Andhra Pradesh,  
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,  
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Room No.268, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 4<sup>th</sup> Block,  
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**Subject: Diversion of 2.40 ha. (i.e. 1.76 Ha for Temple Portion and 0.65 ha for Road Portion) of forest land in Pothukonda RF in Visakhapatnam Division for development of Sree Sree Sree Bhuvaneshwari Devi Aaradhanapeetam in favour of Om Bhuvaneshwari Sanstan Trust, Visakhapatnam-Reg**

**Reference: The State Government letter No 4621/Section.II/2018/(657656) Dated: 26.05.2022**

Sir,

With reference to the subject and reference cited above, it is hereby requested to furnish the following additional information / clarification for further consideration of the proposal;

1. In online application, the name of the UA has been reported as **“BHUVANAVIZAG”**, whereas the authorization certification and other documents wherein reported as **Om Bhuvaneshwari Sanstan Trust**, Visakhapatnam. Hence, discrepancy in the name of the UA need clarification;
2. **An extent of 1.76 ha has been proposed for temple area falling in RF including Core area and Temporary area of structure and open area for pilgrims.** However, detailed component wise breakup and justification for the same not been provided. Moreover, as per the layout plan submitted by the State Government, the UA has proposed to breakup fresh forest area in the hill top which is nearly 100 feet above the existing structures and also requires more tree felling and earth cutting which need to be justification.

- 3. As reported, the UA is a private entity and the trust is not published U/s 6(C) 'of the A.P.C & H.R.I & Endowments Act 30/1987. Further, the activities proposed by the UA are non-site specific in nature and as such, diversion of such pristine forest area for such non site specific purpose is not advisable. Hence, it is requested that the proposal may kindly be re-examined and resubmitted after revising the proposal with the barest minimum (only the area wherein already religious structures claimed to be existing and road portion ) along with all relevant documents accordingly with proper justification.**

**Yours faithfully**



**(N.S.Murali)**

Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Aranya Bhavan, K.M. Munshi Road, Nagarampalem Guntur-522004.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Aranya Bhavan, K.M. Munshi Road, Nagarampalem, Guntur-522004
3. BHUVANAVIZAG, Chellayamma Thota, Yathapalem Village, Sabbavaram Mandalam, Visakhapatnam District, Andhra Pradesh 530015 [bhuvanavizag@gmail.com](mailto:bhuvanavizag@gmail.com)
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