# GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

Ref.no.EFS02-15029/20/2020-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1 (i), Dated:**09/07/2021.**  Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, 'Aranya Bhavan', Nagarampalem, Guntur- 522004.

## Sri N. Prateep Kumar, IFS., Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force

Sub: APFD – F (C) Act, 1980 - Proposal for diversion of forest land to an extent of 4.82 ha. in Compartment no.227 of Basavapalli RF, Chittapara Beat, Chittoor West Division & Chittoor District in favour of M/s. Sri Vaishnavi Granites (Proprietor: Smt. Edavlli Akhila) for grant of quarry lease for Black Granite – Part-II & III proposal submitted – Short-comings observed - Reg. Ref:-CCF. Ananthapuramu. Rc.no.511/2020/TO. dt. 16.06.2021.

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Adverting to the reference cited, it is informed that the Part-II & III proposals submitted in the reference cited, pertaining to the subject proposal, has been examined and observed the following short-comings.

- 1. Authenticated geo-referenced map in respect of "degraded forest land" identified in Compartment no. 420 of Ramagiri West RF & Beat which is equivalent to the proposed diversion area is not attached. It is required to be attached along with KML layer. The root cause of degradation of the natural forest needs to be ascertained and only when these factors have been effectively addressed, reforestation needs to be planned, else it will meet the same fate as the parent forests.
- 2. The DFO, Ananthapuramu reported that, the identified non-forest land is having natural growth with Phoenix trees of 20 years age and miscellaneous growth. In the Adangal /Pahani copy, the classification of land is recorded as "Patta Konugolu". But, the Divisional Forest Officer, Anantapuramu has not reported whether he has verified with Resurvey Settlement Register and Prohibitory Register of Revenue records and inform whether it is possible to mutate the said non-forest land in favour of Forest Department, if taken in lieu of forest land proposed for diversion.
- 3. Treatment map of non-forest land has not been enclosed as the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu proposed gap planting, MPTs, Check dams, CCTs etc., in the CA scheme in the non-forest land.
- 4. In the site inspection report of non-forest land, the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu stated Wild animals like Black bucks, Peacocks and Deer are existing in the non-forest land. Hence, it needs to be examined whether necessary protective measures for these wild animals are to be proposed in the scheme or not.

Hence, it is requested to submit the above information, at the earliest for taking necessary action in the matter.

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To

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Ananthapuramu.

The Divisional Forest Officers, Chittoor West and Ananthapuramu for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Proprietor, Smt. Edvalli Akhila, M/s. Sri Vaishnavi Granites, Sri VasistaApurva, 8-2-350/3/2, 501, Road No.3, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad for information. He is requested to survey the degraded forest land area identified by the DFO, Anantapur in the presence of forest officials and submit the DGPS raw data along with survey map with geo-coordinates for authentication.