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To,

The Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Kolhapur

- Sub:- Proposal for the diversion of area 227.90 ha. Reserved Forest Land under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 of Village Bahule, Tal. Patan, Dist. Satara and Village Kharade, Helgaon, Hanbarwadi and Gosavewadi, Tal. Karad, Dist. Satara for rehabilitation of Village Male, Tal. Patan, Dist. Satara from Chandoli National Park of Sahyadri Tiger Reserve of the State of Maharashtra.
- **Ref:-** Government of India, MoEF&CC (Forest Conservation Division), New Delhi letter dated 30/06/2022 of F.No.8-11/2022-FC.

Please find herewith a copy of the letter received from the Central Government on the subject mentioned above. The Government of India has sought compliance on 11 points. Compliance of shortcomings of point no. ii to xi is requisite from your office.

2.0 It is requested to submit the compliance of shortcomings in English with all relevant documents to this office for further consideration of the Ministry.

Encl: As above

(Naresh Zurmure) Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer

Copy submitted for information to: The Principal Chief Secretary (Forests), Revenue & Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32.

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Satara Forest Division, Satara.

Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road, New Delhi - 110003 Dated: 30th June, 2022

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The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai

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Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Maharashtra letter No. FLD-2022/CR-111/F-10 dated 26.05.2022 on the above cited subject. In this regard following shortcomings have been observed in the proposal submitted by the State Govt:

- i. Nodal Officer has not provided his own specific recommendation in Part-IV of the proposal.
- ii. As per DSS analysis, the calculated forest area for diversion is found to be 239.301 ha instead of 227.90 ha as per proposal. Therefore, the correct KML file of 227.90 ha shall be submitted.
- iii. The KML file of the forest village ' Male ' which is proposed to be re-located from the Chandoli National Park has not been submitted, which is required to be done.
- iv. High-resolution satellite imagery shows that the plantations have been carried out within the forest land proposed for diversion at village Gosavewadi, Hanbarwadi, Kharade and village Bahule. This needs clarification.
- v. Satellite imagery shows that the forest land proposed for diversion at Village Hanbarwadi, Helgaon and Village Kharade is neither contiguous nor on a plain surface. Identification of such fragmented forest patches for diversion on the undulating surface which may be susceptible to the erosion can further lead to the degradation of nearby forest areas owing to human encumbrances and activities. This needs clarification.
- vi. The complete DGPS map of forest land sought for diversion shall be uploaded on PARIVESH.

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vii. The state govt shall certify that the Village proposed to be relocated is within the core

of a National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary.

- viii. The State Govt. shall ensure that the proposal fulfills all the conditions laid down in the Ministry's guidelines dated 20.05.2019.
- ix. The State Govt. has reported that an area of 1660.63 ha will be made available after rehabilitation of forest village 'Male' whereas the DCF, Satara has reported that an area of 519.49 ha will be made available after rehabilitation of village Male. This needs clarification.
- x. The basis of calculation of the total area getting vacated has not been provided, which is required to be given.
- xi. The State Govt. shall clarify whether the proposed relocation of villagers will make the total area under the village inviolate or not.

2. It is therefore requested that the information on shortcomings, as indicated above, may be submitted for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Signed by Suneet BhardwajSd/-Date: 30-06-2022 20:30:14Sd/-Reason: Approved
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to: -

- 1. The PCCF & HoFF, Department of Forests, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;
- 2. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur;
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEFCC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.