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F.No. 4-TSC184/2021-HYD/115 Date 29 b July, 2021

The Principal Secretary to the Government, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department, Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Subject:

Diversion of 13.945 ha (9.038 ha in Nirmal Division and 4.907 ha in Khanapur Division) of forest land for widening and strengthening of existing intermediate lane / two lane to two lane with paved shoulders from km 678+555 to km 699+655 of Nirmal to Khanapur section of NH 61 extended in the State of Telangana under NH 61 extended in the State of Telangana under NH(O) through EPC mode in favour of the Regional Officer, MORTH Hyderabad-reg

Reference: The State Government letter No 1897/For.I(1)/2021 dated 11.06.2021 and PCCF (HoFF) letter dated 06.07.2021

Sir,

Please refer to the subject and reference mentioned above and it is to inform that the subject proposal was considered by the Regional Empowered Committee (REC) in its 48th meeting held on 07.07.2021 and after detailed deliberation, committee recommended for issuing of Stage I approval. However, in the reply to the information sought by the IRO Hyderabad, the PCCF (HoFF) reported that "the existing road and the proposed widening of the Road is falling in Reserve Forest with a width of 10 meters and there is no right of way mentioned in the RF block Gazette notification and also the User Agency could not provide any proof for laying of 10 meters wide BT Road prior to 1980, hence the total area of existing road and proposed widening of the road is considered for Diversion. The present status of the existing road is that: it is being used by the public but the Right of Way is not mentioned in the Gazette notification. Hence the total area of the present existing road and proposed widening of road is recommended for Diversion".

In view of the above, you are requested to clarify the following for issuing of Stage I approval;

 Name of the Department / User Agency constructed existing 10 mtrs BT road and period in which the said road wad constructed;

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b. Whether any Department / User Agency has obtained any prior approval from the competent authority under FCA, 1980 to construct exiting road. If yes, please provide details of the forest clearance orders; If no, the reasons thereof or action taken report may kindly be submitted.

Yours faithfully,

(R.Hemanth Kumar) Regional Officer (Central)

Copy to:-

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