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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,

Jor Bag Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003 **Dated: As per E-sign**

To,
The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Maharashtra,
Mumbai.

Subject: Diversion of 3.36 ha forest land in favour of National Highway Authority of India Solapur, for four laning of Pune-Solapur section of NH-9 in Km 144/400 to Km 249/000 at Village Pakhani, Chikhali, Hivare, Dist. Solapur in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/ROAD/42876/2019) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to Government of Maharashtra letter no. FLD-2223/CR-238/F-10 dated 24.08.2023 and letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S1/PLD-42876/Thane/2023-24/145 dated 22.04.2024 on the above mentioned subject submitted to the Regional Office of this Ministry at Nagpur.

In this regard, it is to inform that the proposal involves **ex-post facto approval** due to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and the proposal has been *forwarded* by the Regional Office, Nagpur in view of Ministry Guideline No FC-11/118/2021-FC dated 27.12.2023 to the Ministry.

In this context while examination of the said proposal the following shortfalls are observed as under:

- i. The consolidated single KML file of entire road alignment under instant proposal, dully highlighting proposed forest area for diversion has not been submitted which needs submission.
- ii. The project also involves 313.845 ha Non-forest for which the KML file has not been uploaded/submitted which needs submission.

Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Signed by Yours sincerely,

Dheeraj Mittal

Date: 05-07-2024 09:09:47 Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;

- 2. The Dy. DGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur;
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur;
- 4. User Agency;
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.