## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

Rc.no.EFS02-15034/15/2018- FCA- SEC PCCF/FCA-3, Dated:05/07/2021.

Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &, Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Nagarampalem, Guntur -522004

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Sub: APFD - F(C)Act, 1980 - Diversion of 2.10 ha. of forest land for widening and strengthening of Narsipatnam - Devipatnam Road from Km 7/4 to 12/0 , 16/0 to 17/0, 21/0 to 25/0 & 29/500 to 30/0 in Visakhapatnam District in f/o EE.R&B. Paderu - Request to submit CA land details - Req.

Ref:-

- 1. Online proposal no.FP/AP/ROAD/44481/2020, dt: 25.06.2020.
- 2. PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Guntur Rc. no.EFS02 -15034/15/2018- FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, Dt.04.08.2020.
- 3. Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam Rc. no. 1813/2020/TO, dated: 24.12.2020.
- 4. PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Guntur Rc. no.EFS02 -15034/15/2018- FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, Dt.26.02.2021.
- 5. GoAP memo no. 967.Sec.II/2021, EFS &T (Sec.II) Dept., dated: 22.06.2021.

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It is informed that, in the reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited (copy enclosed), the Government of Andhra Pradesh have informed that on scrutiny of the subject proposal, it is noted that exemption of provision of CA for this project is not applicable presently and para 4.4 of Chapter-4 of comprehensive guidelines relating to General approval for public infrastructure projects in LWE District was expired by 31.12.2020 and requested to furnish CA land details for further processing of the proposal.

Further, the GoI, MoEF &CC (FC Division), New Delhi F. no. 11-09/1998FC(PT)-Part(1), dated: 10.05.2021 (copy enclosed) have clarified that the existing guidelines at paras 4.4 and 4.5 of Chapter-4 of comprehensive guidelines issued by GoI, MoEF &CC, New Delhi in F. no. 5-2/2017-FC, dated: 28.03.2019, are hereby withdrawn.

In this regard, the Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam is requested to issue instructions to Executive Engineer, (R&B) Division, Paderu to identify suitable non-forest area for compensatory Afforestation and submit the details of the same including map, DGPS co-ordinates, KML file, CA scheme, site suitability certificate etc., for taking further action in the matter. If non-forest land offered

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by the User Agency is already having natural growth and not possible to plant 1000 plants per ha as per provisions laid down under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, then the non forest land may be taken duly following para no.2.4(vi) and 2.8(I), Chapter -2 of comprehensive guidelines on Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to raising CA with 1000 plants or balance plants in degraded forest area identified by the DFO as per provisions of working plan. In such cases, the DFO may be instructed to furnish DGPS survey data of degraded forest land identified along with KML layer.

N Prateep Kumar

Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force

To

The Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam

Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Narsipatnam for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Executive Engineer, (R&B) Division, Paderu. He is requested to submit the details of non-forest land identified for CA and submit the details to Divisional Forest Officer, Narsipatnam for taking further action in the matter.