

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

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New Delhi: 1100 03,
Dated: August, 2023

**To,
The Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt.
Forest, Ecology and Environment Dept.,
Govt. of Karnataka
Bangalore.**

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 89.92 ha of forest land in Tavaraghatta Village Sy.No.14 and Singanamane Village Sy.No.16 both in Kasaba Hobli, Bhadravathi Taluk, Shivamogga District and Byrapura Village Sy.No.37, Kasaba Hobli, Narsimharajapura (NR) Taluk, Chikkamagaluru District for establishment and development of Kuvempu University Campus for academic activities in favour of Registrar, Kuvempu University, Jnana Sahyadri Shankaraghatta, Shivamogga District. (Online Proposal No.FP/KA/SCH/35132/2018). -Reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Karnataka's letter No. FEE 51 FLL 2021 (e) dated 25.307.2023 on the above mentioned subject forwarding the additional information in response to this Ministry's letter dt 08.12.2021 and to say that after analyzing the additional information the Ministry has observed the following:-

- i. The State Govt. is requested to submit the compliance report wrt the recommendation of FAC held on 26.04.2018 which was communicated to the State Govt. vide this Ministry's letter dt 20.07.2018.
- ii. The State Govt. is also requested to apprise the compliance of conditions on which IBWL clearance was granted on 12.07.2002.
- iii. State Govt. is requested to update the status of the land i.e 383.824 ha (after survey 359.074 ha) which was transferred to the State Forest Dept by Chikkamagalur District Collector. The relevant documents wrt the status of the said land shall be forwarded to this Ministry.
- iv. As per the site inspection report the DFL land identified for CA purpose i.e. 191 ha is having rocky several small patches of rocky outcrops and the soil layer in this area is having medium to shallow depth wherein the plantation is not possible. In this regard, the State Govt. is requested to add an additional area of 10 to 15 ha to the already identified area in Block-I (i.e. 126 ha) and an additional area of 5 to 10 ha in Block -II (i.e. 65 ha) as per the recommendation of RO, Bangalore.
- v. The State Govt. is requested to revise the CA Scheme submitted as per the recommendation of RO Bangalore giving special consideration for raising tall

seedlings in the nursery, to the aspects of soil moisture conservation, prevention of forest fire incidence and reducing grazing pressure.

- vi. State Govt. is requested to forward the KML files of the degraded forest land identified for the purpose of CA land.
- vii. The Part-V uploaded in the PARIVESH portal is of some other proposal. In this regard, the State Govt. is requested to upload the correct part-V in the PARIVESH portal.
- viii. Many documents like lease execution, survey details of alternative lands, MoU/agreement executed between the present owner and the User Agency, copy of non encumbrance certificate for the forest land etc. are been uploaded in vernacular language. in this regard the State Govt. is requested to upload the translated copy of the documents for further perusal in the Ministry.
- ix. The FRA certificate submitted by the State Govt. is not as per prescribed format mentioned comprehensive guideline issued by this Ministry in 2019. In this regard the State Govt. is requested to submit the FRA certificate as per form-II which is for projects other than linear projects and plantation along with the other supporting documents like DLC, SDLC and Gram Sabha resolution.

In view of above, the State Government is requested to forward the above mentioned documents/information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. The DDGF(C), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bangalore
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi, for uploading.