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C.No.TS3/15403/2019

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator
of Forests (Head of Forest Force),
Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet, Chennai-15.

Dated: 25.08.2022.

Sub Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Proposal for diversion of 0.225 ha of forest land in Udagai Rural Extension I Reserved Forest for approach road for construction of resort in Ooty Rural village of Nilgiris District – Forwarded - Regarding.

Ref 1 Online application uploaded by the User Agency – M/s Total Environment Habitat P Ltd, No. 4/41, Tuneri Main Road, GCP Dotabetta Ooty, Nilgiris District - Proposal No. FP/TN/Road/26490/2017

2 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No. TS3/15403/2019, dated 17.10.2020

3 Part-II of Form-A uploaded by the District Forest Officer, Nilgiris Forest Division on 18.02.2022

4 Part III of Form A uploaded by the Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, Udagamandalam on 22.03.2022

5 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Ref. No. TS3/15403/2019, dated 17.10.2020

6 Resubmission of the proposal by the Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, Udagamandalam through online on 22.07.2022

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Attention of the Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, Udagamandalam is invited to the references cited.

1) M/s Total Environment Habitat P Ltd, No. 4/41, Tuneri Main Road, GCP Dotabetta Ooty, Nilgiris District Pin code 643002 has submitted online forest clearance proposal under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.36 ha of fresh forest land for approach road to patta fields in which construction of Resort proposed in Doddabetta - Ooty Rural village of Nilgiris District.

i) The user agency has applied diversion of forest area for formation of an approach road to their patta fields and proposed to be utilized for construction of

Resort. The user agency has applied forest area diversion of 0.36 ha comprising usage of 240.20m in length and 15.0m in breadth approach road in the forest area.

2) In the references 3rd and 4th cited and 6th cited, the District Forest Officer, Nilgiris Forest Division and Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, Udagamandalam have recommended the forest area diversion proposal for 0.225 ha of land with length of the road for 250m and to a width of 9.00m.

Following shortcomings have been noticed in the proposal.

i) Since the kml file in Part-I of Form-A of 0.36 ha has not been modified by the user agency to the recommended area of 0.225 ha, consent letter of the user agency for the acceptance of reduced width recommended by the District Forest Officer may be uploaded in the web portal for further processing the forest clearance proposal.

ii) In the compensatory afforestation scheme proposed by the District Forest Officer, Casualty replacement has been proposed at 20%, 15%, 10% and 5% during the maintenance period of first, second, third and fourth year respectively. Watering the container plants has been proposed up to 6th year maintenance period.

Compensatory afforestation scheme has to be revised with maintenance of plantation over a period of 10 years and casualty replacement work for first year maintenance period only and watering the container plants in the planting site for the planting, 1st to 3rd year maintenance period only as followed in other CA scheme proposal and other schemes.

iii) Further, in the recommendation of the project, the District Forest Officer, Nilgiris Forest Division has recommended that the user agency shall submit human wildlife conflict mitigation plan, since the wild animals like Indian guar, Sambar deer, Wild boar, Indian Porcupine, Barking deer, Black naped hare and Malabar giant squirrel movements noticed in the proposed area.

Human wildlife conflict mitigation plan has to be prepared by the concerned District Forest Officer and to be got approved by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden and the cost towards implementation of mitigation plan has to be paid by the user agency. The District Forest Officer may

be informed to obtain an undertaking from the user agency to bear the cost towards Human wildlife conflict mitigation plan.

Above shortcomings may be rectified and details uploaded in the web portal for further action.

The Conservator of Forests and Field Director is informed that all the forest clearance proposals has to be processed based on the details/documents uploaded in the web portal and before forwarding the proposal through web portal and it should be ensured to check the correctness of the proposal at Circle level so as to avoid delay in processing the forest clearance proposal.

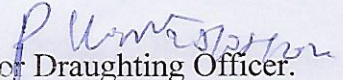
Sd/- V. Karunapriya,
For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

To
The Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve,
Udagamandalam

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Nilgiris Forest Division, Udagamandalam.

Copy to M/s Total Environment Habitat P Ltd, No. 4/41, Tuneri Main Road, GCP
Dotabetta, Ooty, Nilgiris District Pin code 643002 (User Agency)

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