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Date: 16.08.2018

To,

✓ The Secretary,
Revenue and Forest Department,
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
Madam Cama Marg
Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400032.

Sub: Diversion of 6.537 Forest land (originally 2.57 ha) in favour of Bhandara Irrigation Division, Bhandara for construction of feeder canal from R.D. 16500 mtr of Bawanthadi main canal to Sorna Medium Project in Bhandara District in the State of Maharashtra - Regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Maharashtra's letter no. FLD-2018/C.R.216/F-10 dated 19.07.2018 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that preliminary scrutiny of the proposal in the Regional Office (WCZ), MoEF&CC revealed following:

- i. Maps viz. Project layout map, 10 Km radius map showing PA's, Village map and Protected area Distance Map is not submitted along with the proposal.
- ii. Shape files of both proposed area and CA site is not uploaded nor submitted along with the proposal.
- iii. Original Part- III is not submitted along with the proposal.
- iv. Details of facts as contained in the Part- II of the proposal viz. Topography of the area, Geology and Slope to erosion are not mentioned.
- v. DGPS map of CA land along with co-ordinates in suitable scale is not submitted along with the proposal.
- vi. Financial outlay for fencing of CA area is not mentioned in the CA scheme.
- vii. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhandara in his CA suitability certificate has mentioned that he has inspected 13.074 ha of Zudpi Jungle land which is suitable for compensatory afforestation, whereas, State Government has mentioned that CA will be carried out in 13.50 ha double degraded Zudpi Jungle land. Clarification regarding the same may be submitted by the State Government.
- viii. Supporting documents of all consultations and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and the District Level Committee(s) is not submitted.

- ix. Employment Potential likely to be generated in terms of Skilled, Semi-skilled and Unskilled persons/ mandays by implementation of the project is not submitted.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to submit information on the shortcomings, as indicated above, to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours faithfully,

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- i. The PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
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