C. No. 3986 / 2021 / D

O/oDeputy Director
Hasanur Division,
Hasanur.
Dt:-21 .10 .2021

Sub: National Highways Authority of India - Project implement unit
Ramanagara - Rehabilitation and up gradation of Tamilnadu / Karnataka
border - Additional details requested - Reg.

Ref: 1. National Highways Authority of India, Project Implementation unit Ramanagara unit online Proposal No. FP/TN/ROAD/121598/2021

2. Telephonic conversation on 22.07.2021 and 25.07.2021 (Contact Person Mobile No. 9989770482)

3. Deputy Director, Hasanur C.No.3986 / 2021 / D dated:-27.07.2021.

4. Joint Inspection dated:-20.10.2021

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In Continuation of reference 4 cited this is bring to your notice that the processing of this proposal the following details will be provided. Hence you may kindly be sent these details at earliest.

Details required for following items

- 1. Why the location at Karappallam (62mts) was selected in this FCA proposal while rest part of road is not included. If there is any specific reason such as construction of building / service road etc., please submit the reasons.
- 2. Please give breakup of forest land diversion cost for both existing and alternative (recommended option)

a. How much Forest area will be diverted in the case of existing route?

- b. While calculating Forest land diversion cost, why the existing right of way (ROW) was not excluded from the total forest land requirement.
- 3. Since the recommended option consists of 8.4kms green field and acquisition 4.4ha agricultural land, on what basis social impact is low in case of alternate option and why it is high in existing road option. If any study is conducted, submit the study report.
- 4. Certificate needed for Non-Forest area land not available in this location issued by the concern authorities.
- 5. As per the guidelines of Eco friendly measures to mitigate the impacts of the linear infrastructures on wildlife and forest at least 100 mts of pass ways of 1kms length in linear infrastructure in elephant landscape and critical core tiger habitat is required. Hence atleast 3 under passes with 100mts of passes way per 1kms, will be required as the guidelines. The mitigation measures submitted along with this proposal doesn't match the requirements. Hence three under passes with prescribed dimensions may be submitted along with GPS locations.
- 6. Please submit the No. of RCC culvert, dimension of it, for forest area.

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- 7. The recommended option shows higher speed of 42-100km per hrs. This will lead to increased human-wildlife conflict. Mitigation measures may be submitted with regard to it.
- 8. In-case of approval of recommend option what would be the <u>status of existing road</u>. Since simultaneous working of both the road will sandwich a portion of Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve and Biligiri Rangasamy Tiger Reserve and will isolate the particular forest patch. This will may act detrimental to wildlife.

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Dt:- 17 .02 .2022

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2. The Deputy Director, Hasanur C.No.3986 / 2021 / D dated:-27.07.2021 and 21.10.2021

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (HoD), Chennai C.No.TS3/33380/2021 dated:- 31.01.2022

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This is bring to your kind notice that the queries has been raised by this office vide reference cited 2 on 27.07.2021 and 21.10.2021. Therefore you are requested to submit the details asked by this office to speedy process the FCA application as instructed by reference 3 cited above.

You are also aware of fact that the "Wildlife clearance" application is linked with "FCA clearance" application. Since FCA clearance is pending with user agency level, therefore wildlife clearance is also pending with user agency, the wildlife clearance application also cannot be processed.

It is also brought to your notice that as per section 1.14 of chapter 1 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 and Forest Conservation rules, 2003 (Guidelines & clarifications) Handbook which states.

"1.14. Projects involving both forest and non-forest lands: Some projects involve use of forest land as well as non-forest land. State Governments/project authorities sometimes start work on non-forest lands in anticipation of the approval of the Central Government for release of the forest lands required for the project. Though the provisions of the FC Act may not have technically been violated by starting of work on non-forest lands, expenditure incurred on works on non-forest lands may prove to be infructuous if diversion of forest lands involved is not approved. Therefore, if a project involves forest as well as non-forest land, work should not be started on non-forest land till approval of the Central Government for release of forest land under the Act has been obtained unless and to the extent permitted by the FC Rules or guidelines issued thereunder."

It has been observed that work on non-forest area has been already started by NHAI without final approval from central government. Therefore you are requested to follow and oblige rules and guidelines in letter and spirit.

Encl :- As Stated above.

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