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To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka, Forest, Ecology & Environment Department, M.S.Building, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi, Bangalore - 560 001.

Subject:

Diversion of 14.017 ha. of forest land in Sy.No. 69 of Seebi village, Sy.No. 11 & 15 of Chikkaseebi village, Sy.No. 36 of Seebi Agrahara village, Sira Taluk and Sy.No. 9, 27 & 28 of Thimmarajanahalli village, Tumkuru Taluk and Tumkuru District for laying new Broad Gauge Line between Tumkuru and Davanagere via Sira, Hiriyur and Chitradurga in favour of the Deputy Chief Engineer, North II, Construction, South Western Railway, Bengaluru -reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to refer to the State Government's letter No. FEE 08 FLL 2019 dated 30/08/2019 on the above subject and to request you to furnish the clarification /additional information on the following:-

- As per the guidelines issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, any proposal for linear projects such as roads, railway line, transmission line etc. need to be processed in its entirety for comprehensive assessment of requirement of forest land and consequences if approval for any forest land is not granted. As the project falls in two other districts also i.e., Davanagere and Chitradurga, it may be clarified whether any diversion of forest land is involved in these districts.
- As per the report of Chief Conservator of Forests, Hassan, the proposed area cuts through important wildlife corridor. Therefore, the mitigation measures as approved by the CWLW may be furnished.

Yours sincerely,

(R.Padmawathe)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

## Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore - 560 003.

2. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore - 560 003.

The Deputy Chief Engineer, North-II, Construction, BNC, Cantonment, Bangalore -560046.

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