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

Sub: Diversion of 3.70 ha of Reserved forest land in favour of Public Works Division, Sawantwadi for widening of part of existing S.H. 190 from Shivapur to Shirshinge (CH Km 68/800 to CH Km 72/500) in Village- Shivapur, Tal. Sawantwadi, Dist. Sindhudurg in the State of Maharashtra - Regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra letter No. Desk-17/NC/II/ID12769/(70)/1863/2019-20 dated 07.02.2020 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. Proposal has not yet been forwarded to Regional Office through online portal and is still pending at State Government level (online status as revealed on 27.02.2020 at 05.30 hrs).
- ii. Certificate ensuring importance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 is not submitted along with the proposal. Original FRA- 2006 certificate along with documentary evidences in the form of copies of the resolutions of the concerned Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) recording their consent for the proposal and bearing signature of the participants shall be submitted. In addition to this, copies of record of proceedings of the Forest Rights Committee, Sub Divisional Level Committee(s) may also be submitted.
- iii. From examination of KML file of CA land, it seems to be unfit to carry out Compensatory Afforestation as the land is on sloppy area with more than 80% slope. Clarification in this regard shall be submitted by concerned DCF.
- iv. Two CA schemes one with financial outlay of 8,62,694.00 /- and another with financial outlay of 17,31,220.25 /- have been submitted along with the proposal. Correct CA scheme shall be submitted
- v. Cross sectional map of the road is not submitted along with the proposal. The same shall be submitted.

- vi. Details of employment potential in terms of man days of skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided. The same needs to be provided by the State Government.
- vii. Details on total area diverted since 1980, total CA stipulated since 1980 and progressive CA done till date in the Division is not mentioned in Part- II along with the proposal. The same shall be incorporated by concerned DCF and revised Part- II shall be 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.

This issues with the approval of DDGF (Central), Regional Office (WCZ), MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully,

Technical Officer (Gr-I)

Copy to:

- i. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
- iii. User agency.
- iv. Guard file.

(N.K. Dimri) Technical Officer (Gr-I)