

**Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)**

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New Delhi - 110003
Dated: 8th September, 2022

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Madhya Pradesh,
Bhopal.

Subject: Diversion of 1305.142 ha (instead of 1248.821 ha) forest land for the construction of Maa Ratangarh Multipurpose Project in favour of Executive Engineer, Dabra under Datia and Gwalior Districts of Madhya Pradesh State (Online No. FP/MP/IRRIG/40397/2019) – reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Land Management) and Nodal Officer, the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Government of Madhya Pradesh letter no. F-3/50/2019/10-11/6/2741 dated 04.08.2022 and letter no. F-3/50/2019/10-11/6/2931 dated 23.08.2022 on the above cited subject forwarding the required information. The examination of the said information has revealed that:

- i. The area proposed for diversion has increased to 1305.142 ha and accordingly the revised documents like recommendations of authorities concerned, CB analysis, maps, undertakings etc. are required to be submitted.
- ii. The calculated area of KML file of forest land proposed for diversion is found to be 1303.338 ha instead of 1305.142 ha as per revised proposal. Therefore correct KML file of 1305.142 ha forest land shall be submitted/uploaded on PARIVESH.
- iii. As per the KML file submitted, the calculated area of submergence zone is found to be 3145.252 ha instead of 3127.702 ha as per revised proposal. Therefore the correct KML file of submergence zone shall be submitted.
- iv. As per DSS analysis, the total area proposed for Compensatory Afforestation has been found to be 1266.636 ha against the total requirement of 1305.142 ha. The State govt shall therefore submit the KML files and other requisite documents for entire 1305.142 ha NFL purposed for Compensatory Afforestation.
- v. The Compensatory Afforestation patch in Village Kundai (45.185 ha) under Shivpuri district has been found overlapping with the CA KML file of Village Majhera (40.79 ha). The state govt shall ensure that the proposed CA areas do not overlap with other areas being proposed for CA in instant proposal.
- vi. A total of 83,002 no. of trees are marked for felling at FRL Level. However as the

felling of trees is usually restricted up to FRL-4 meters in case of irrigation projects. Hence clarification about 83002 nos. of trees marked for felling at FRL shall be submitted.

Accordingly, it is requested to furnish the above mentioned information to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

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1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest and Environment, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
2. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal;
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest and Environment, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
4. User Agency;
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.