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To
Additional Chief Secretary (Forests)
Govt. of Gujarat
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Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

(Online Proposal No: FP/GJ/Pipeline/35519/2018)

Sub: Final (Stage-II) approval of Central Government under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for proposed diversion of 0.3053 ha Section-4 Forest land for underground water pipeline is to be already installed passing through Nara Village forest area in favour of Archean Chemical Industries Private Limited in Kutch District of Gujarat - reg.

Sir,

This refers to letter No. FCA-1020/4-19/20/S.F-226/F dated 10.02.2021 of the State Govt. of Gujarat on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. After due consideration of the proposal of the State Government, the 'In-Principle' approval of the Central Government for the diversion of the said forest land was accorded vide this office letter No. 6-GJB030/2021-BHO/ dated 05.07.2021 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. The State Government of Gujarat vide their letter No. FCA-1020/4-19/20/S.F-226/F dated 10.12.2021 had furnished a compliance report in respect of the relevant conditions stipulated in the In-principle approval for grant of final approval.


In this connection, on the basis of the compliance report under reference and confirmation of receipt of compensatory levies from National Authority of CAMPA vide online e. portal transaction dated 13.08.2021, the **Final/Stage-II approval** of the Central Government under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is hereby accorded for the diversion of 0.3053 ha Section-4 Forest land for underground water pipeline is to be already installed passing through Nara Village forest area in favour of Archean Chemical Industries Private Limited in Kutch District of Gujarat subject to the following general and standard conditions:

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 1.00 ha de-graded forest land at Survey No. 870/pt, Village- Bhuj, Taluka- Bhuj, District- Bhuj at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local native species shall be planted and mono-culture of any species, especially non-native species should be avoided.

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3. No tree felling shall be involved in the implementation of this project.
4. The Pipeline shall be laid 1.5 meter underground and ground will be leveled after laying down the pipeline.
5. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
6. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
7. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
8. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
9. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
10. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
11. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
12. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
13. The User Agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Gandhinagar by the end of March every year.
14. The User Agency shall comply with all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
15. The KML file of the area to be diverted shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details.
16. All the conditions of Stage-I approval shall be strictly complied.
17. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F. No. 11-42/2017-FC dt 29/01/2018.
18. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.

As has been mentioned at Para-2 of this final approval, this approval for diversion of forest land is subject to the fulfillment of stipulated conditions mentioned in this approval letter. Therefore, in the event of non-compliance of any of the conditions laid out in this approval letter, the Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may withdraw the said approval for the diversion of the forest land and stop the non-forest activity being carried out in the forest land besides initiating the legal action as per provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.


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Copy to:

1. The Inspector General of Forests (Central), ROHQ Division, Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Indira paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003.

2. The APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Aranya Bhawan, Sector- 10A, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
3. The Dy. Conservator of Forests, Forest Division Kutch-West, Bhuj, Gujarat.
4. M/s Archean Chemical Industries Private Limited, " ANANDAM" D/4, Opposite Lions Club, Shaktinagar, Gandhidham, Kutch, Gujarat.
5. Guard File.