No. 7-5/3-FD/570/25 Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Department of Environment, Forests and Wildlife, Secretariat, Silvassa.

Dated: 01.03.2018.

- (i) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 16.10.2000 of the Ministry of Environment Read :-& Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (ii) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 31.10.2001 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (ii) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 23.12.2002 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (iv) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.11.2014 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.09.2015 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (vi) In-principle approval Letter No. 7-5/3-FD/570/22 dated 20.07.2017 issued by the U.T. Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa.

ORDER

In pursuance of the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, referred above, an in-principle approval was given for diversion of 0.3824 Ha. of Protected forest land for laying of underground Natural Gas Pipelines in Dadra and surrounding areas of Dadra & Nagar Haveli to M/s. Gujarat Gas Limited, Gandhinagar vide office letter No. (vi) above.

The User Agency has complied the conditions imposed in the in-principle approval. The condition No. (v) has been complied by effecting the payment of ₹ 7,\$5,164/- (Rupees: seven Lakh Thirty-five Thousand one hundred and sixty four only) towards Compensatory Afforestation (it includes cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Fencing and Maintenance for 10 years). The condition No. (vi) has been complied by effecting the payment of ₹ 3,59,074/- (Rupees Three Lakh fifty-nine Thousand and seventy-four only) towards Net Present Value of the land. The Condition No. (vii) has been complied by giving an undertaking for payment of Additional NPV.

As per the condition No. (xii) the User Agency has deposited the payment of ₹ 10,94,238/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Ninety-four Thousand and Two hundred and thirtyeight only) towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value of the land by RTGS/NEFT as informed in the in-principle approval.

The User Agency has agreed to comply the other conditions of the in-principle approval.

In view of fulfilling the conditions, Formal Approval is hereby granted to the User Agency - M/s. Gujarat Gas Limited, Gandhinagar, Gujarat to use 0.3824 Ha. of Protected forest land for laying of underground Natural Gas Pipelines in Dadra and surrounding areas of Dadra & Nagar Haveli as indicated in the application and the map enclosed along with application, subject to following conditions.

The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged i.e. shall remain Reserve / Protected / Village / other types of forests / forest as the case may be.

- ii No felling of tree shall be involved in the implementation of the proposal.
- iii The maximum size of the trench shall not be more than 2.00 meter depth and 1.00 meter width.
- iv The pipeline shall be along the road within existing right of way not falling in National parks and Wildlife sanctuaries.
- v Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department, DNH at the cost of the user agency and the same shall be maintained for 10 years. Only indigenous forest tree species shall be used for such plantations. Trees, if planted on the diverted area, will not be felled without the permission of the Forest department, DNH.
- vi The User agency shall seek permission from the Forest Department, DNH for carrying out any maintenance;
- vii All statutory provisions under various Acts, Rule there under and guidelines applicable to this project shall be strictly adhered to.
- viii The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- ix The User agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora / fauna in the surroundings and therefore, shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.

CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS / NODAL OFFICER DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI SILVASSA

To,

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