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Bengaluru, Date: 04-03-2022.

From:

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,
Forest, Ecology and Environment Department,
Bengaluru-560001.

To:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),
Aranya Bhavan, Malleshwaram,
Bengaluru-560003

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 0.91 hectare of forest land in Sy.No. 552 of Teradal Village, Jamkhandi Taluk, Bagalkote District for laying of Express Feeder Line (Transmission Line) in favour of Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Chikkodi, Belagavi District.

Proposal No.FP/KA/TRANS/30483/2017

Ref: Your Officer letter No. KFD/HOFF/A5-2(GFL)/32/2019-FC,
Dated:03-01-2022.

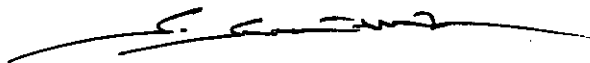
With reference to the above subject I am directed to refer to your letter vide at above seeking prior approval of the State Government under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above cited project.

The State Government hereby conveys in-principle approval (Stage-I) under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act for Diversion of 0.91 hectare of forest land in Sy.No. 552 of Teradal Village, Jamkhandi Taluk, Bagalkote District for laying of Express Feeder Line (Transmission Line) in favour of Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Chikkodi, Belagavi District. subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:-

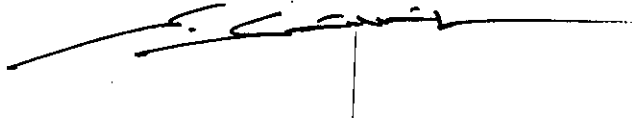
01. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged and it shall continue to be the forest land.
02. The User Agency shall pay the applicable Net Present Value (NPV), Compensatory Afforestation (CA) charges, cost of extraction of trees (if

required in future), land lease rent and any other levies as per the conditions of approval.

03. The User Agency shall demarcate the lease area in the manner specified at the time of approval at its own cost.
04. The Lessee shall provide signages in appropriate dimensions and kind near the proposed Transmission line within forest limits for sensitization of general public towards the forest, wildlife and environmental issues in consultation with the jurisdictional Deputy Conservator of Forests
05. The lessee shall not sub-lease, mortgage and hypothecate the forest area.
06. The leased out area should be used for the purpose for which it is granted. In case, the land is not used for the stipulated purpose within two years or when it is no longer needed for the stipulated the area would stand resumed to the Forest Department.
07. The application for renewal of the lease in the prescribed form and manner shall be submitted at least six months prior to the expiry of forest lease. In case, no renewal is sought, the Lessee shall hand over the lease.
08. No residential or commercial buildings shall be permitted in the forest area proposed for diversion.
09. No crushing / breaking of stones or labour camp shall be allowed inside forest area and all waste / debris generated shall be scientifically disposed off outside the forest area.
10. Any damage to forest area because of implementation of the project shall be compensated by the Lessee. The extent of damage shall be assessed by the jurisdictional Deputy Conservator of Forests/Conservator of Forests/ Chief Conservator of Forests.
11. The Lessee shall ensure that no avoidable harm is caused to the fauna and flora in and around the proposed area.
12. No change in Land Use Plan shall be done unless prior approval of Government of India under FC Act is obtained.
13. In case, any violation of the provisions of the Karnataka Forest Act, 1963 & Rules, 1969 or other relevant Acts/Rules is reported during the lease period, the lease will be liable for forfeiture under Section 82 of Karnataka Forest Act, 1963. The Chief Conservator of Forests and/or Deputy Conservator of Forests concerned are authorized to take necessary action in this regard.
14. The User Agency shall abide other conditions those may be imposed by the Government of India, Government of Karnataka and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) before or after the approval.
15. The approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to any other clearances necessary under the prevailing statutes.



16. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife, shall be followed.
17. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guideline of Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC. dated: 28-03-2019.
18. The Forest Department and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
19. User agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
20. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal.
21. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
22. The User agency in consultation with the State Forest Department shall prepare a detailed scheme for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in right of way under the transmission line for execution of the said scheme to the State Forest Department.
23. The user agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.
24. The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter no.7-25/2012-FC dated. 05/05/2014 & 19/11/2014.
25. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
26. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
27. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
28. 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.



29. 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.
30. No additional or new path shall be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
31. The period of diversion under this approval shall be for 20 Years or the project life, whichever is less.
32. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
33. 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.

Yours faithfully

(S. SRINIVASA)

Under Secretary to Government

Forest, Ecology and Environment Department (Forest-C)

Copy to: -

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- 2) The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Integrated Regional Office Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main, Koramangala,