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PART - V

(To be filled up by the Secretary Incharge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

**1. Recommendation of the
State Government**

The proposal is recommended
vide Government letter
No.FLD-3216/CR-226/F-10
Dated: 04/08/2016

Virendra
(Virendra Tiwari) 4/8/16
Chief Conservator of Forests (Mantralaya)
Chief Conservator of Forests (Mantralaya)
Revenue and Forest Department
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032

Place : Mumbai

Date : 04/08/2016

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Rajguru Chowk, Madam Cama Marg,
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Dated: 04/08/2016

To,
The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (C),
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Regional Office (WCZ), Ground Floor, Eastern Wing,
New Secretariat Building, Opposite Old VCA Stadium,
Civil Lines, Nagpur-440001

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Deputy General Manager, Power Grid, Corporation of India Ltd., has submitted a
Proposal for diversion of 32.21 ha. of forest land for construction of 765 KV D/C Hyderabad-
Wardha Transmission Line in Pandharkawda Forest Division. The location of project area is as
given below :-

Sr. No	Item of Work/ Purpose	Tahsil	Village	Gut No.	Survey No.	Compartment No	Area (ha)	Legal Status
1.	765 KV D/C Transmission line	Zari Jamani	AMB	70	42,34	90B	3.4432	Reserve Forest
2		Zari Jamani	Mudhati	42	33	54	14.2231	
3		Zari Jamani	Gawara	110	30	55	0.4664	
				114	35	55	0.4664	
4		Kelapur	Kondi	35	-	644	1.541	Reserve Forest
5		Kelapur	P' Kawada	25	-	646	6.82757	
6		Kelapur	Takli Vrundavan	44	-	80B	5.24262	'C' Class Forest
Total Area							32.21	

2. This transmission belt is very essential in order to facilitate import of power from Generation Hub in Western Region to Southern Region and to increase intra-regional transformation capacity. The project is administratively approved by Ministry of Power, Government of India vide letter No.11-02/2011-PG, dated 25/08/2014. The route for this transmission line as proposed by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. is only feasible route and the forest land required is the barest minimum. The total route length of transmission line is 117 Kms, out of which 4.807 Km length is passing through Reserve Forest of village Amb, Mudhati & Gawara, Tal. Zari Jamani and village Kondi, Pandharkawada and Takli Vrindavan, Tal. Kelapur under Pandharkawada Forest Division. The total non forest area involved in the project in Pandharkawada Forest Division is 1353.18 Ha. The B:C ratio of the project is 26.54:1.
3. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawada Division, Pandharkawada has certified that no alternate alignment is possible and the forest land required is the barest minimum.
4. There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as certified by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawada Division, Pandharkawada.
5. There are 6032 trees of various species and girth in the area proposed for diversion.
6. The User Agency has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of Net Present Value of the forest land proposed for diversion.
7. The User Agency has agreed to defray the cost of compensatory afforestation over 64.42 ha. degraded forest land.
8. The proposed area does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, and Nature Reserve etc. as certified the Divisional Forest Officer (Wildlife) Pandharkawada.
9. Assistant Director, Archeological Department, Nagpur and the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawada Division, Pandharkawada have certified that proposed project is not likely to affect monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
10. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawada Division, Pandharkawada has certified that the proposed project is beyond 10 km from the boundary of Protected Area.
11. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawada Division, Pandharkawada has certified that non-forest area covered under the project is not under the provision of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act 1975 by virtue of application of Section 35 of Indian Forest Act 1927 and are not recognized as deemed reserved forest as well as not included in the area identified as "forest" as per dictionary meaning of forest as intimated to the expert committee appointed under interim judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12/12/1996.
12. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawada Division, Pandharkawada has given suitability certificate for 64.42 ha. over double degraded forest land in (i) 30 ha in Gut no.14,

survey no.1 of village Salebhatti, Tal.Maregaon, Dist Yavatmal (ii) 34.42 ha in Gut no.92, Survey no.36 of village Godhani, Tal.Maregaon, Dist Yavatmal and it is contiguous to forest area, suitable for afforestation and free from encroachment and encumbrances.

13. The User Agency has fulfilled the Certificate of Collector under Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dweller's (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.

14. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his specific recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.

15. In the circumstances explained in above paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted for the non-forestry use on the conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before Government of India for its approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the same may please be obtained and communicated to this Government at earliest.

Yours faithfully

(Virendra Tiwari)

Chief Conservator of Forests (Mantralaya)
Revenue and Forest Department
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032

Encl: A) Set of case papers

b) **The following documents are enclosed:-**

1. Prescribed form as per Rules.
2. Certificate regarding minimum demand for forest land for the project
3. Area Statement
4. Index map of suitable scale
5. Commitment from the Applicant for defraying the cost of exploitation as well as cost of compensatory plantation.
6. Project Authority has given an undertaking of Net Present Value.
7. Brief note of the project from the project authority
8. Map of non forest land for compensatory afforestation
9. Site Inspection Report by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawda
10. Certificate that there is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
11. Certificate in Part V.

Copy to:

- 1) Secretary (Tribal), Tribal Development Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai.
- 2) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, with reference to his letter Desk-17/NC/I.I.D.12243/644/16-17, dtd: 01/07/2016
- 3) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur,
- 4) Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Yavatmal
- 5) Collector, Yavatmal
- 6) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pandharkawda
- 7) Chief Manager, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., Wardha
- 8) Select File F-10.

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