



संघ शासित प्रदेश दादरा एवं नगर हवेली
Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli (U.T.)
मुख्य वन संरक्षक का कार्यालय, सचिवालय
Office of the Chief Conservator of Forests
दमन / Daman



F. No. 7-5/3-FD/650/144

Date: 15 November, 2022

To,

✓ The Dy. Manager (ROU),
Gujarat Gas Limited,
2, Shanti Sadan Society,
Near Parimal Garden,
Ellisbridge,
Ahmedabad - 380 006.

Subject: Diversion of 0.0735 Ha. Protected Forest Land laying of 8" Dia. Steel Natural Gas pipeline from Surangi - Velugam & Udhwa - Khanvel road in the U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli.

- Read :-
- (i) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 16.10.2000 of the Ministry of Environment & 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.
 - (iii) 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 19.09.2003 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (v) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 21.11.2005 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (vi) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 08.04.2009 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (vii) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.11.2014 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
 - (viii) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.09.2015 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.

Sir,

As per the power conferred under Order F. No. 11-9/98-FC dated 07.11.2014 by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi the request of the Dy. Manager (ROU), Gujarat Gas Limited, Gandhinagar for Diversion of 0.0735 Ha. Protected Forest Land laying of Natural Gas pipeline along the roadside in Surangi - Velugam & Udhwa - Khanvel road in the U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli is considered and In-principle approval is accorded subject to the following conditions:-

- i. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged i.e. shall remain Reserved / Protected / Village / other types of forests 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 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 plantation. Trees, if planted on the diverted area, will not be felled without the permission of the Forest Department, DNH.
- vi. The User Agency shall pay the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land at the rates stipulated by the Ministry of Environment and Forests from time to time.
- vii. Additional amount of NPV of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- viii. The User Agency shall seek permission from Forest Department, DNH for carrying out any maintenance;
- 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 the conserve the same.
- x. All the statutory provisions under various Acts, Rule there under and guidelines applicable to this project shall be strictly adhered to.
- xi. It will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers and staff engaged in construction activity do no damage forest flora and fauna.
- xii. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstance be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Central Government.
- xiii. Proposed labour camps outside the forest area to be dismantled and removed. The labourers shall be sent back immediately after the completion of work.

- xiv. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e.portal (<http://www.parivesh.nic.in>).
- xv. The User Agency shall transfer/deposit ₹ 1,18,639/- (Rupees : One Lakh Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Nine only) towards Compensatory Afforestation including maintenance for 10 years and ₹ 1,05,596/- (Rupees: One Lakh Five Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Six only) towards Net Present Value of the land (NPV).
- xvi. The forest land shall not be used for any other purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- xvii. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e.portal (<http://www.parivesh.nic.in>).

You are therefore, requested to deposit ₹ 2,24,235/- (Rupees: Two Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Five only) through challan generated online mode in favor of Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Dadra & Nagar Haveli and copy of proof / evidence may be submitted to this office. The User Agency shall adhere to all the conditions indicated above.

The formal order for diversion of forest land to the User Agency will be issued after above conditions are complied.

Yours faithfully



(M. Rajkumar, IFS)

Chief Conservator of Forest / Nodal Officer
Dadra Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu.

Copy to:

1. The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (IRO), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Western Regional Office, Aranya Bhawan, Near CH-3 Circle, Sector - 10A, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.).
2. The Deputy Conservator of Forests (T), Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa for information and necessary action.
3. The Range Forest Officer(CR/SR), Khanvel for necessary action.