## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

From: Sri S.B.L.Misra, I.F.S., Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, (Head of Forest Force)(FCA)(FAC) Andhra Pradesh, "Aranya Bhavan", Saifabad, Hyderabad.

To: The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Environment, Forest, Science, and Technology Department, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

## Rc.No46005/2012/FCA-1, dated.

Sir,

Sub: -

APFD - F (C) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 0.3 Ha. of forest land in Compt.No.85 of Pasuvemula R.F. and Nellikal R.F. of Nagarjunasagar (WLM) Division for laying optical fiber cable in forest area along Peddavaru to Macherla route in favour of M/s.Idea Cellular Ltd., Hyderabad - Stage-I Compliance report - Submitted - Reg.

on restr Ref:-

- 1. GOI, MoEF&CC, Chennai .Lr.No.4-APB008/2015-CHN, dt.8.1.2016.
- 2. Govt.Memo No.9128/Section.II/2013, dt.29.1.2016.
- 3. CF&FDPT., Srisailam Rc.No.354/2015/TO, dt.24.3.2016.

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It is submitted that the Government of India vide reference 1st cited has accorded Stage-I approval for diversion of 0.3 Ha. of forest land in Compt.No.85 of Pasuvemula R.F. and Nellikal R.F. of Nagarjunasagar (WLM) Division for laying optical fiber cable in forest area along Peddavaru to Macherla route in favour of M/s.Idea Cellular Ltd., Hyderabad with certain conditions and requested to submit the compliance report for according final approval.

Accordingly, the CF&FDPT., Srisailam vide reference 3rd cited has submitted the compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India.

The compliance is as follows:-

CI	Canditions stimulated by the GOI in	Compliance report
SI. No.	Conditions stipulated by the GOI in Stage-I approval letter, dt:08.01.2016.	
(i)	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged	unchanged (Copy enclosed).
(ii)	The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet hight cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency	The User agency has submitted an undertaking that '4' feet height CC Pillars would be erected at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of the User Agency within 30 days from the date of granting free access (copy enclosed).
(iii)	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 0.3 ha. from User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'b1e Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No 202/1995.	The demand notice was issued to the User agency by the Divisional Forest Officer Wildlife Management Division, Markapur. An amount of Rs. 6.570 lakhs (Rupees Six lakhs Sixty Seven thousands) was deposited by the User Agency drawn on A.P. CAMPA A/c. No. 344902010105407 New Delhi towards Net Present Value. The User Agency has produced the Xerox copy of Bank statement towards remittance attested by the company's authorized person (Copy enclosed).

(iv) Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'b1e Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect

The User agency has given an undertaking to pay Additional Net Present Value (NPV) if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future (copy enclosed).

The funds received from the User (v) Agency towards Net Present Value project shall this deposited either in SB Account CAF No.SB01025198-Andhra Pradesh, Corporation Bank, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-**IFSC** (RTGS/ 110003 No.CORP0000371) *or* in SB A/c No.344902010105 407-ANDHRA PRADESH CAMPA, Union Bank of India, Sundar Nagar, New (RTGA/IFSC Delhi-110003 No.UBIN0534498). The User Agency shall generate Challan from the Ministry's online web portal to deposit the amount towards compensatory levies.

The User agency has deposited an amount of Rs.6.570 lakhs towards Net Present Value to the AP CAMPA A/c No. 344902010105407 New Delhi, dt. 18.3.2016 and generated the challan from the Ministry's online web portal to deposit the amount towards compensatory levies. (Copy enclosed).

(vi) The State Forest Department shall carry out mitigation measures as recommended by the NTCA the cost of User Agency.

As per the Govt. of India, MoEF, Regional Office, Chennai instructions the User Agency was demanded by the State Forest Department to pay an amount of Rs.10.00 lakhs (Rupees lakhs only) towards Mitigation measures to be taken in sanctuary area in the vicinity of the project. Accordingly the user agency has produced the Xerox copy of the Bank statement attested by the company's authorized person for transfer of Rs.10.00 lakhs (Rupees Ten lakhs only) to the Bio-Diversity Conservation Society of AP, Andhra Bank, Secretariat branch, Hyderabad 110310100014082 A/c No. mentioned in the condition (copy enclosed).

(vii) The State Government shall complete settlement of rights, in term of the Scheduled Tribes and Traditional Forest **Dwellers** (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, if any, on the forest land to diverted and submit the documentary evidence prescribed by this Ministry in it's No.11- 9/1998-FC (pt.) letter 03.08.2009, in support thereof along with the Compliance report.

The User Agency has stated that as per Govt. of India, MoEF instructions an under taking is given by the user agency that RoFR clearance letter will be obtained from the District Collector, Guntur and it will be submitted if it is warranted (Copy enclosed).

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viii)	one meter below the ground level and the forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same. The maximum size of the trench should not exceed 2.00 mt depth and 1.00 m	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking that the User Agency that the Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) would be laid at least one meter below the ground level and further to restore the forest land to its original state after laying the same and to dig the trench for laying the OFC not exceeding 2.00 Meter depth and 1.00 Meter width (Copy enclosed).	
(ix)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking that the lay out plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government (Copy enclosed).	
(x)	Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the laborers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking to ensure Minimal disturbance by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna (Copy enclosed).	
(xi)	Felling of trees shall not be carried out by the User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect	undertaking not to fell any tree while	
(xii)	Work shall be taken up during day time only. No work shall be carried out during night time; User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.	of work for laying OFC would be done	
(xiii)	User Agency shall undertake soil conservation measures around the forest area proposed for diversion at the project cost.	the User Agency to carryout soil	
(xiv)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.3 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.	the User Agency that total forest area required for diversion of use of forest land shall not exceed 0.30 Ha. and the forest area required shall not be used for any other purpose other than laying of Optical Fiber Cable (copy enclosed).	
(xv)	User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the a Acts, Rules, Regulations an Guidelines, for the time being i force, as applicable to the project.	the User Agency to comply with all the provisions of all Acts, Rules, d Regulations and Guidelines for the	

Undertaking has been submitted by conditions that the (xvi) Any other Central Government or Addl.PCCF the User Agency to comply with any other condition that the Government (Central) of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to of India or Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) of time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of flora and fauna in the area, shall be Afforestation, Conservation complied by the user agency. Management of Flora & Fauna in the Area (copy enclosed). In the event of failure to comply Undertaking has been submitted by (xvii) with any of the above conditions the User Agency to pay penalty the user agency is liable to pay imposed by the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Central), penalty as decided by the Regional Office, Chennai in the event Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai. of failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned in in-principal (Stage - I) approval issued in dt. F.No.4-APB008/2015-CHN, January, 2016 by Government of Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Regional

Further, it is submitted that as per the GOI guidelines Lr.No.11-9/98-FC(pt.), dt.5.2.2013 (Pg.No.196 of Compendium) for linear projects i.e. laying optical fiber cables underground, the Form-I from District Collector certificate not required (for RoFR) excepting for PTGs. The cable is being laid along the existing road and no rights are infringed for laying cables. However, the user agency has given undertaking to submit from District Collector.

The Government are requested to furnish the above compliance report to the Government of India, Regional Office, Chennai for according final approval of the projects at the earliest.

Encl.:- As above.

Yours faithfully,

Office, Chennai (copy enclosed)

Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests. (Head of Forest Force)

Copy to Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL), O/o the PCCF., A.P., Hyderabad for information.

Copy to Divisional Forest Officer (WLM), Markapur / CF&FDPT., Srisailam for information.

Copy to The Manager – Projects, Idea Cellular Ltd., 5-9-62, Lateef Estates, Fateh Maidan Road, Hyderabad – 500 001 for information.

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