GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA FOREST DEPARTMENT

From Smt R.Sobha, IFS, Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force Telangana State, "Aranya Bhavan", Saifabad, Hyderabad-500004.

The Spl. Chief Secretary to Government, Forests Department, Telangana State, "Aranya Bhavan", Saifabad, Hyderabad-500004.

Ref.No.10337/2017/FCA-4 Dated:25.06.2021.

Madam,

Sub: TSFD - F(C) Act, 1980 -Diversion of 4.4824 ha of Forest land in Siddipet forest division for Erection of 220kV DC line from 400/220/132 kV Gajwel SS to 220/132kV Siddipet SS in Siddipet District in favour of Executive Engineer, Construction, TS TRANSCO, Sangareddy- Stage-I (in-principle) approval accorded-Condition wise Compliance Report Submitted -Forwarded-Reg.

Ref:

- 1. GoI, MoEF& CC, Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad F.No.4-TSB166/2020-CHN/109 Dt. 11.02.2021.
- PCCF Rc.No.10337/2020/FCA-4 Dt.11.02.2021.
- Circle/Sangareddy Lr.No.SE/OMS/SRD/HYD/DE(Tr) OMC /ADE(Tr)/ADE(Tr)/AE(T)/F.No. /D.No.721/2021 Dt. 17.04.2021.
- 4. CCF, Medak Rc.No.439/2018/C3 Dt. 07.05.2021.
- 5. PCCF Rc.No.10337/2020/FCA-4 Dt.25.05.2021.

Kind attention is invited to the references cited.

It is submitted that the Chief Conservator of Forests, Medak vide reference 4th has furnished the condition-wise compliance report received from DFO, Siddipet in (4) sets, for according necessary approval U/s 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 4.4824 ha of Forest land in Siddipet forest division for Erection of 220kV DC line from 400/220/132 kV Gajwel SS to 220/132kV Siddipet SS in Siddipet District in favour of Executive Engineer, Construction, TS TRANSCO, Sangareddy. A copy of reference 4thcited together with its enclosures is enclosed herewith.

The Condition-wise Compliance report with corrections and remarks are as follows:

C. No	Description of Condition	Compliance
(i)	The Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged;	Shall be complied with. An undertaking is submitted by the User Agency.
(ii)	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters by the User Agency in consultation with the DFO concerned at the project cost;	As per the Demand Notice issued by the DFO, Siddipet, the User Agency has paid an amount of Rs. 2,51,000/- towards Construction of Boundary Pillars into the PD account of DFO, Siddipet account which is a part of Rs. 9,63,000/- deposited RTGS vide UTR No. SBINR52021040619556161 on 06.04.2021. The Pillars shall be constructed after issual of Stage-II clearance.
(iii)	The State Forest Department shall carryout Compensatory Afforestation (CA) and its maintenance over 9.00 ha of degraded forest area identified in Compt No.191, Meenajipet RF of Siddipet District at the cost of the	Afforestation which is a part of total amount of Rs. 1,59,12,503/- deposited through RTGS vide UTR No.

	User Agency;	account by generating the challan in the ministry's portal. Same has been confirmed as paid status in the portal. (Copy enclosed).
(iv)	The degraded forest land identified for CA shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	Complied. The approved CA land and CA scheme will not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
(v)	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 4.4824 ha from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble 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 User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.28,05,983/- towards Net Present Value which is a part of total amount of Rs. 1,59,12,503/- deposited through RTGS vide UTR No. SBINR52021040619558439 on Dt: 06.04.2021 into the Adhoc Telangana CAMPA account by generating the challan in the ministry's portal. Same has been confirmed as paid status in the portal. (Copy enclosed). Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(vi)	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'ble 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;	
(vii)	The User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to the minimum in the diverted width of 35 meters of the forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department at the Project cost;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(viii)	The User Agency in consultation with the State Forest Department shall prepare and execute a detailed scheme for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants)' in the right of way under the transmission line in consultation with the State Forest Department;	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.28,05,983/- towards Raising of Dwarf species under Transmission line RoW which is a part of total amount of Rs. 1,59,12,503/-deposited through RTGS vide UTR No. SBINR52021040619558439 on Dt: 06.04.2021 into the Adhoc Telangana CAMPA account by generating the challan in the ministry's portal. Same has been confirmed as paid status in the portal. (Copy enclosed).
(ix)	The User Agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on the upper conductor of the transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits;	As per the Demand Notice issued by the DFO, Siddipet, the User Agency has paid an amount of Rs. 5,00,000/- towards Cost of Bird Deflectors into the PD account of DFO, Siddipet account which is a part of Rs. 9,63,000/- deposited RTGS vide UTR No. SBINR52021040619556161 on 06.04.2021.
(x)	The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines issued by the Ministry for laying transmission lines through forest areas;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xi)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xii)	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.

	after purchasing the same from the	"The state of the
	State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	
(xiii)	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for the transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xiv)	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xv)	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred / sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xvi)	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land; Disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & Staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & Fauna;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xvii)	The trees on strips would have to be felled but after stringing work is completed, natural regeneration will be allowed to come up. Future pollarding/ pruning of trees will be done with the permission of the local forest officer wherever necessary for the maintenance of the transmission lines;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xviii)	During construction of transmission line, pollarding / pruning of trees located outside the 35 meters width of the strips whose branches / parts infringe with conductor stringing, shall be permitted to the extent necessary, as may be decided by the local forest officer;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xix)	All efforts shall be taken to minimize the felling of trees and the State Forest Department shall carry out translocation of the trees wherever feasible at the cost of the User Agency;	As per the Demand Notice issued by the DFO, Siddipet, the User Agency has paid an amount of Rs. 1,92,000/- towards Extraction of tree growth into the PD account of DFO, Siddipet account which is a part of Rs. 9,63,000 /-deposited RTGS vide UTR No. SBINR52021040619556161 on 06.04.2021.
		Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.

(xx)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 4.4824 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xxi)	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer(Central) of Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency;	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.
(xxii)	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions made under rules /guidelines issued under FCA, 1980	Agreed and the User Agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect.

The UA has also published the Stage-I forest clearance granted in verbatim along with the conditions and safe-guards imposed by the Central government in two widely circulated daily newspaper one is vernacular language and the other in English. Copies enclosed.

On deposition of funds by the UA, vide ref 5th cited, the Working permission has been issued for tree cutting and commencement of works (copy enclosed).

The Government are requested to forward the condition-wise compliance report to Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad for according final approval.

Encl: (As above)

Yours faithfully, **Sd/- R.Sobha** Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force)

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Medak and the District Forest Officer, Siddipet for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Chief Engineer, TSTRANSCO, Rural Zone, 220kV Substation, Erragadda, Hyderabad for information.

Copy to the Superintending Engineer, OMC Circle, Sangareddy, TSTRANSCO, GTS colony, Erragadda, Hyderabad- 500045 for information and necessary action.

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for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

30/6/2021