Specific Recommendation

The proposal No. FP/AS/OFC/155167/2022 submitted by Telesonic Network Ltd. for diversion of 0.96 Ha forest land for non-forestry purpose for laying of Optical Fibre Cable is located inside the Dessoi Valley RF under Jorhat Forest Division. On the direction of the undersigned it was inspected by Smti Sayambrita Dutta AFS, DCF, O/o the Conservator of Forests, Eastern Assam Circle, Jorhat on behalf of the undersigned along with the DFO, Jorhat Division and User Agency authorized official on 20-01-2023.

During the inspection of the site, it was observed that the total length of the proposed linear project is 16 km which is passing through the Reserved Forest and the OFC will be laid along the existing ROW of BRO Road from Mariani to Mukokchung using the Horizontal Directional Drilling method. No felling of trees will occur in the process and also no major impact on the surface is anticipated to happen.

Although the proposed site is inside the Dessoi Valley Reserved Forest and a part of the Eco Sensitive Zone of the Hollongapar Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary, laying of the OFC using Horizontal Directional Drilling method will not have any major impact on the surface and would not create hindrance to the elephant corridors inside the RF.

This proposal is a linear project. The project aims to render 4G/5G mobile networks in remote areas and provide better connectivity in the remote areas of Assam and Nagaland.

The Proposal is recommended subject to the condition that necessary biodiversity and management interventions as directed by the forest department will be strictly implemented so as to cause minimal disturbance to the wildlife and to mitigate man animal conflict and to conserve biodiversity around the proposed area.

Date: 02-02-2023 Place: Jorhat

Circle Incharge Eastern Assam Circle, Jorhat