To.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation) & Nodal Officer(FCA), Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru.

Sir,

Sub:-Construction of 137.701 Kms of 400 KV Quad D/C Koppal PS-Narendra (New) Transmission Line passing through forest land in Sy.No.50/1 Mannerala village and Sy.No. 70/1, 70/2, 70/3, 71, 73 and 89 of Mavinaitagi village, Hanumsagar Hobli, Kustagi Taluka, Koppal District for a length of 1.644kms or 7.562 ha. in favour of M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Limited—reg.

Proposal No.FP/KA/TRANS/152682/2022(FROM-A).

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Ref:-1) Online application No.FP/KA/TRANS/152682(FROM-A).

- Online proposal received from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(FC) & Nodal Officer(FCA), Bengaluru, to DCF, Koppal & Others.
- 3) Letter No.A4/Land/FC/CR2022-23, dated: 22-12-2022 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Koppal Division, Koppal.

In light of the directions issued by your goodself having forwarded the online proposal under reference (2) cited above to the Deputy Conservators of Forests, Koppal, Bijapur, Bagalakot and Gadag Divisions respectively for processing the same after scrutinizing the online proposal received from the above user agency. As such, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Koppal in his letter (3) cited above, has submitted the hard copies of the proposal, duly recommending for diversion of forest land over an extent of 7.562 ha in Sy.No.50/1 Mannerala village and Sy.No. 70/1, 70/2, 70/3, 71, 73 and 89 of Mavinaitagi village, Hanumsagar Hobli, Kustagi Taluka, Koppal District for a length of 1.644 kms (7.562 ha) by M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Limited.

On going through the self contained report submitted by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Koppal and Form-A Part-II duly filled by the user agency, the following salient features are forthcoming.

i. It is reported that the proposed forest land over an extent of 7.562 ha where 400 KV Transmission line for Power Evacuation is to be laid /established, has been inspected by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Koppal division on dtd. 09-12-2022 and reported that the proposed forest land sought for diversion falls in Eco-Class III Southern Dry Deciduous Forest type in Koppal and Eco-Class III Southern Tropical scrub jungle respectively. The village and survey number wise proposed forest land for diversion are as follows;

Sl.No.	Division	Name of village	Sy.No.	Forest area (in Ha)	Status of forest land
1	Koppal	Mannerala	50/1	0.5415	
		Mavinaitagi	70/1	5.3010	
			70/2	0.1695	11
			70/3	0.2475	Hanumasagar
			71	0.9975	Reserve Forest
			73	0.2055	
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h. Head	Tota	d		7.562	

ii. Extent of the proposal:- Initially, the user agency has submitted a proposal for diversion over an extent of 7.562 ha of forest land in Sy.No.50/1 Mannerala village and Sy.No. 70/1, 70/2, 70/3, 71, 73 and 89 of Mavinaitagi village, Hanumsagar Hobli, Kustagi Taluka, Koppal District are as under;

Division	Components	Forest land required			
		Length (Mtr)	Width (mtr)	Area (Ha.)	
Koppal	Laying of 400 KV Electrical Transmission line	1644	46	7.562	
	Total			7.562	

- iii. Net Present Value (NPV): The NPV amount has been revised as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India Dt: 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide its letter No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 05.02.2009. (i.e.Rs.6,70,140/- per hectares). Hence, the NPV amount (Rs.50,67,599/-) as per existing rates may be recovered from lessee i.e. M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Limited over an extent of 7.562ha. However, M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Limited has submitted an undertaking for the payment of Net Present Value (NPV) at the prevailing slabs as prescribed therein.
- iv. Compensatory Afforestation (CA):- As per Para No. 2.5 (i) (a) of Chapter No.2 of Handbook of Guidelines for effective and transparent implementation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, the user agency has to pay CA charges for raising of Compensatory Afforestation on degraded forest land, twice the extent of the forest area to be diverted. Further, the user agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect. The user agency has submitted CA land suitability certificate duly issued by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Gadag Division, Gadag. The details of the degraded forest land identified for compensatory Afforestation is as follows;

SI. No.	Division/ District	Range/ Taluk	Name of village	Sy.No.	Forest area (in Ha)	Status of forest land
1	Gadag	Hirahatti / Shirahatti	Hosur	7	2.087	Hosur RF
2	Gadag	Hirahatti / Shirahatti	Hosur	26	13.061	Hosur RF
		Total			15.124	

PART-III

(To be filled by the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests)

1	Whether site, where the forest land involved is located has been inspected by concerned Conservator of Forests (Yes/No). If yes, the date of inspection and observations made in the form of inspection note to be enclosed.	No. However, I agree with the field inspections made by the Deputy Conservators of Forests, Koppal Division, Koppal.
2	Whether the concerned Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	I agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservators of Forests, Koppal Division, Koppal.
3	Specific recommendation of concerned Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	The diversion of forest land to the tune of 7.562 ha. of forest land is bare minimum for Construction of 137.701 Kms of 400 KV Quad D/C Koppal PS-Narendra (New) Transmission Line passing through forest land in Sy.No.50/1 Mannerala village and Sy.No. 70/1, 70/2, 70/3, 71, 73 and 89 of Mavinaitagi village, Hanumsagar Hobli, Kustagi Taluka, Koppal District infavour M/s. Koppal-Narendra Transmission Limited may be considered as per the provision of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Place: Bellary Date: 23-01-2023

Signature:

(T. Heeralal) Seal : Chief Conservator of Forests

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