

Full title of the Project: Proposal for *Ex- post Facto* Approval for Diversion of Forest Land for Laying Water Intake Pipeline for BGPPL, Bhigwan, Tehsil Indapur, District Pune  
 File No.: FP/MH/PIPELINE/48180/2020  
 Date of Proposal: 24/09/2020

## Annexure

### SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Sr. No.	Items	Observations and Remarks
1	Name of the Project and location	Diversion of Forest Land for Laying Water Intake Pipeline for BGPPL, Bhigwan, Tehsil Indapur, District Pune
2	Name of the User Agency	BILT Graphic Papers Products Limited, Unit- Bhigwan, Pune
3	Date of Site Inspection	10 / 04 /2021
4	Extent (in Ha) and legal status of the Forest Land proposed for diversion	0.83 Ha. Reserved Forest land falling within jurisdiction of Pune Forest Division, Maharashtra State.
5	a. Details of Forest Land proposed for diversion and activity wise break-up of Forest Land  b. Density-wise Eco-Value Class	Area Statement is appended hereto as Appendix- I. Required Forest Land: 0.83 Ha.  Eco-Value Class- III, Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest (OF) Density: Below 0.1

6	Whether the requirement of Forest Land as proposed by the User Agency in Col. No 2 of Part- I is unavoidable and the barest minimum for the project? If no, recommended area item-wise with details with alternatives examined	Yes. As the execution is done in 1996-97, the requirement of Forest Land was unavoidable and restricted to barest minimum.
7	Whether the area involves construction of building (Including residential) or not. If yes, details thereof.	No.
8	<p>a. Whether the Forest Area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view or not.</p> <p>b. Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in proposed Forest Land. If so, details thereof.</p>	<p>No.</p> <p>No conspicuous flora and fauna observed or reported so far</p>

	<p>c. Areal distance from nearest boundary of protected area (km)</p> <p>d. Remark about sensitivity of the Forest Area likely to be affected due to the project</p> <p>e. Whether Wildlife Mitigation Plan is required? If yes, reason thereof</p>	<p>Beyond 10 Kms.</p> <p>Insensitive. Forest Area is unlikely to be affected by the project.</p> <p>No.</p>
9	<p>Details of vegetation:</p> <p>a. Total no. of trees to be felled</p> <p>b. No. of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm.</p> <p>c. No. of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm.</p> <p>d. Effect of removal of trees on general ecosystem in the area</p>	<p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Nil</p> <p>Not applicable in view of Clause 'a' above.</p>



10	Background Note on the proposal (Short summary)	<p>BILT Graphic Paper Products Ltd. (BGPPL), has its manufacturing &amp; packaging unit, along with employees residential &amp; welfare facilities at Bhigwan, Tehsil Indapur, District Pune.</p> <p>The project involves lifting of water from Ujani Back Waters for satisfying operational needs of BGPPL. The jack well is located in village Kumbhargaon. The 7.458 Km long pipeline, partially underground and partially overground is already laid in 1996-97. Out of which, 5.533 km traverse through the Forest Land. No prior approval of the Central Government was obtained for use of Forest Land for Non- Forest purpose. The project is completed and operational since 1996-97.</p>
11	Whether the proposal involves violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980? If yes, detailed report on violation, including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached	The work was carried out without obtaining prior approval of the Central Government. A detailed violation Report is attached herewith on Page No. 44/1 to 44/3.
12	Whether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced persons? If yes, whether the Rehabilitation Plan has been approved by the State Government?	No

13	<p>Details on Catchment and Culturable Command area under the project (If applicable)</p> <p>Status of Catchment Area Treatment Plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (If applicable)</p>	Not applicable
14	Utility of the project	The project is providing water to BGPPL's paper manufacturing unit at Bhigwan, Tehsil Indapur, District Pune. It is also satisfying drinking and domestic water needs of 1500-2000 workers at BGPPL.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural / religious value? Whether any sacred grove or very old grown trees/ forest exist in the areas proposed for diversion?	No
16	Any other important information related to the project (separate note may be attached, if required)	All the necessary permissions of other departments for laying pipeline have been obtained by the User Agency.
17	Details of documents and photographs attached	Annexed hereto as below: Photographs of Site Inspection (Appendix- II)

18	Recommendations of the Inspecting Officer (CCF/CF/DCF)	The violation of FCA was an inadvertent mistake. The project is providing water to BGPPL's paper manufacturing unit at Bhigwan, Tehsil Indapur, District Pune. It is also supplying water to its 1500-2000 workers for drinking and domestic use. The proposal can be considered under FCA, 1980.
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Date: 07 / 12 / 2022

Place: Pune

Office Seal:



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## APPENDIX- I

### Forest Area Statement

Purpose	Village	Forest Land			Legal Status
		Suy. No. / Gut No./ Comptt No.	L x W (In m.)	Area (In Ha.)	
Laying of pipeline	Bhadalwadi	--	--	--	RF
	Bandgarwadi	30/15/- *	1170.66	0.0481	
	(Earlier	31/16/-	X 15	0.0837	
	Poundhwadi)	33/17/-		0.0137	
		33/17/- *		0.0300	RF
	Kumbhargaoon	49/129/-	4362.32	0.0748	
		50/128/-	X 15	0.0441	
		51/127/-		0.0240	
		51/127/- *		0.0036	
		52/126/-		0.0418	
		53/125/-		0.0486	
		54/124/-		0.0400	
		55/ 123/-		0.0054	
		56/122/-		0.0356	
		20/120/-		0.1739	
		122/55/-		0.1625	
Total			L= 5532.98	0.8299	
				Say: 0.83	

\* Underground

Compartment numbers are not assigned to the forest area under proposal.

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### Photographs of Site Inspection

(To be submitted by Division Office)

Attached herewith are the geo- tagged photographs of Site Inspection.

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Photographs of Site Inspection by DCF - Pune on 10/04/2021:

