

**Diversion of 18.3915 ha. forest land for Construction & laying of 220 KV double circuit Transmission line by making Lilo on 220 KV Uran Apta line No.4 At tower location No.30 to substation at Sez area of Raigad District in the State of Maharashtra**

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**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 Chief Conservator of Forests (Yes/No). If yes, the date of inspection and observations made in form of inspection note to be enclosed.	No, since the forest area required for the project is less than 40 ha. So inspection was not done by Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane.
2.	Whether the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	Agreed with the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag.
3.	Specific recommendation of the Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	This project is essential for infrastructure development & for public utility project.  As per the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag, the proposal is being recommended for approval.

  
**(Naresh Zurmure)**

Chief Conservator of Forests (T.),  
Thane

Date : 19 .05.2020

Place : Thane



## Chief Conservator of Forest (T.), Thane

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### Letter

Subject :- Diversion of 18.3915 ha. forest land for Construction & laying of 220 KV double circuit Transmission line by making LILO on 220 KV Uran Apta line No.4 At tower location No.30 to substation at Sez area of Raigad District in the State of Maharashtra...

No. Desk-10/FCA/CR-03/20-21/OW- 36 /20-21.

Thane - 400 603, Dated : 21/05/2020

To,  
Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
& Nodal Officer,  
M.S., Nagpur

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has submitted the proposal mentioned in the subject vide his letter No. A/20/Land/25, dated 03.04.2020. Xerox copy of the same is enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The Project Agency of this project is Mr.Sarvothama Shetty, V.P.-Operation FTWZ, Laxmipati Balaji Supply Chain Management Limited, 302, 3rd floor, F-block, Ceejay house, shivsagar estate, Dr.Annie Besant road, Worli, Mumbai.

The project authority has highlighted that, "Construction of 220 KV D/C transmission line by making LILO on 220KV Uran-Apta line No.04 at tower location No.30 to substation at SEZ area bearing survey Numbers 143,142 & 144 at Sai village, Tal-Panvel, Dist-Raigad is proposed line to feed the SEZ area bearing survey No. 143,142 & 144 at Sai village. The SEZ is notified by department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industries, GOI under subsection (8) of section 3 of the SEZ Act 2005 vide Gazette Notification No. GSR SO 1158(E) dated 04/05/2009 GSR SO 757(E) dated 05/04/2010 GSR SO 1800 dated 22/07/2010 and GSR SO 2439 dated 27/10/2011 for 57.045 hectares.

Laxmipati Balaji Supply Chain Management-Limited(LBSCBL) is a registered company under the companies Act 2013. LBSCBL has executed Co-development agreement with Arshiya Limited on 31 Aug 2018 for providing utility services to the SEZ inter-alia including the distribution of electricity to the existing and new consumers within the said SEZ.

Maharashtra State Electricity Regulatory Commission vide its order dated 17.12.2018 in case 275 of 2018 has taken on record, the status of deemed distribution licensee for distribution of Electricity in the Area of notified SEZ to the Co-developer LBSCBL.

Maharashtra State Electricity Regulatory Commission vide its order dated 08.03.2019 has taken on record the status of deemed distribution Licensee for distribution of electricity in the area of notified SEZ to the Co-developer LBSCBL.

State Transmission utility which is Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Company Ltd. vide its letter dated 05.07.2019 has granted LBSCBL the connectivity to Tap 220KV Line from Uran Generating station to 220KV Apta substation. Power supply on 220KV level will increase quality and reliability which is the foremost requirement of IT companies including uninterrupted power supply from double circuit.

The Central and State Govt. is promoting the data centre bussiness and giving certain incentive for such special economic Zones with data centres and other IT/ITES industries in this area, will open up job opportunities on larger scale which will enhance the living standard of the vicinity area. Further units in the notified area would be 100% FDI which will boost our economy.”

- 2.00 The Project Authority has submitted a proposal for diversion of 18.3915 ha. Forest land for Construction & laying of 220 KV double circuit Transmission line by making Lilo on 220 KV Uran Apta line No.4 At tower location No.30 to substation at Sez area of Raigad District in the State of Maharashtra. Therefore, the Project Authority is seeking GOI's permission u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3.00 The details of required forest area are as below :-

Sr. No.	Name of Village	Taluka	Gut/ Survey No.	Area (ha.)	Legal Status
1	Ransai	Uran	53	1.2489	Private Forests pending on inquiry
2			8	0.0438	
3			6	0.1100	
4			125	0.3656	
5			124	0.6423	
6			123	0.0470	
7			1	0.3345	
8			5	0.8779	
9			31	0.6942	
10			42	1.1900	
11			45	1.6275	
12			48	1.5040	
13			127P	4.0600	
14	Chirner	Uran	168	2.9216	Reserved Forests
15	Sai	Panvel	Un-served Number	1.3922	Reserved Forests
16	Dolghar	Panvel	80 (Karnala old Survey No.70)	1.2681	Finally Acquired Private Forests
17			81( Karnala old Survey No.71)	0.0144	Finally Acquired Private Forests
18			77( Karnala old Survey No.67)	0.0494	Finally Acquired Private Forests
	Total			18.3915	

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has reported that the private Forest land involved in this project i.e. Survey Numbers 53, 125, 123, 1, 5, 31, 42, 45, 48 (area 8.5320 ha.) of village Ransai, Tal-Uran, Dist-Raigad which includes in Writ Petition Nos. 3940/1991, 56/2003, 3983/1998, 4395/2004, 5153/2004. Which are still pending in the Hon'ble High Court of Mumbai. In this regard, the project Authority has submitted Non indemnity certificate in the proposal. (Page No. 62)

4.00 The Project Authority has given undertaking to pay the Cost of Net Present Value as directed by the Govt. of India. The Project Authority has submitted necessary Certificates / Undertakings and Maps, which are enclosed in the proposal.

- 5.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and its guidelines under the Act have not been violated by the Project Authority.
- 6.00 The proposal is for Construction and laying of 220 KV Double Circuit transmission line, therefore the Compensatory Non Forest land is not required. The Compensatory Afforestation on the area of double degraded Forest land i.e. 41.00 ha. is proposed in Pune Division.

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Pune has certified that 41.00 ha. degraded Reserved forest land in Gut No.378, at Village Khorodi, Tal. Daund, Dist. Pune proposed for Compensatory Afforestation is suitable for Afforestation and Management purpose also it is free from encroachment and encumbrances.

- 7.00 The Project Authority has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation at the prevailing wage rate.
- 8.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that the non-forest land proposed under the proposal is neither deemed Reserved Forest under the provisions of Maharashtra Private Forests (Acquisition) Act, 1975 nor identified as "Forest" as envisaged in the interim order passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 12/12/1996.
- 9.00 The area involved in this proposal does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, nature Reserve, etc.
- 10.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that, the proposed area is beyond Karnala Bird Sanctuary and not included in ESZ of Karnala Bird Sanctuary. The distance from Karnala Bird Sanctuary is about 0.84 km. The proposed alignment of project is outside to Eco-Sensitive zone of Karnala Bird Sanctuary.
- 11.00 The project involves felling of 3439 trees in the area falling in diversion. Girth wise trees are as under break up and felling estimate enclosed in the proposal.

Below 30 cms	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	91-105	106-120
11	1320	939	592	254	160	85

121-150	151-180	181-200	201-250	251-300	Above 300	Total
24	54	0	0	0	0	3439

12.00 The project Authority has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of tree felling at the prevailing wage rate.

13.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that the proposed project is not likely to affect any monuments, site of culture, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.

14.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has certified that, all alternatives (i.e. Route-I, Route-II and Route-III) have been examined in detail and found that there is no other alternative is suitable from forest point of except Route-I. Hence Route-I is the most feasible Route and Finalized.

15.00 The Project Authority has not submitted the FRA - 2006 Certificate from Collector, Raigad. Regarding this, the necessary undertaking by the Project Authority is submitted and the same enclosed in the proposal.

The Project Authority may be asked to submit FRA - 2006 Certificate After Stage-I approval of GOI.

16.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has inspected the proposed diversion area on dated 17.03.2020. Site Inspection Report enclosed in the proposal.

17.00 As per the recommendation of The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag this project is in infrastructure development and for public Utility project for Construction & laying of 220 KV double circuit Transmission line by making Lilo on 220 KV Uran Apta line no.4 At tower location No.30 to substation at Sez area of Raigad District. The proposal is being recommended for approval the required diverting forest land under forest (Conservation) act 1980.

18.00 Four sets of proposal are enclosed herewith with all required documents for further necessary action. Proposal is submitted online vide No. FP/MH/Transline/0189/2019.



**(Naresh Zurmure)**

**Chief Conservator of Forests (T),  
Thane**

Encl. :- as above.

Copy to :- The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag for information and necessary action.

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