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To,

Principle Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Forest Conservation) and Nodal officer (FCA)
Aranya Bhavan, Malleshwaram
Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject:- Proposal for diversion of Forest land for laying BSNL of cable in Hassan-Kattaya Route, Hassan District, Karnataka (from Hanumanthapura Branch Joint connector to Gorur Telephone Exchange) for providing Internet connectivity in Rural Areas (Kattaya Village F.Sy. No.2, 129, 145, 142, 143,126,90) and connecting Grampanchyaths under DIGITAL INDIA Programmed by Govt. of India of Hassan Range of Forest Division, Hassan District.

- Ref:-**
- 1) Letter No.B4/Land/FC/41791/CR-13/2019-20 Dtd: 15-5-2021 & 07-07-2021 of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Hassan Division, Hassan.
 - 2) Letter No. G-1/AGM/NOW/2020-21,06/ Dtd: 12.02.2021 of GM, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, Hassan.

With reference to the above subject, The Deputy Conservator of Forest, Hassan Division, Hassan submitted the proposal for diversion of 0.1619 ha. Of forest area in Kattaya Kaval Village, Sy.No.2,129,145,142,143,126,90, Kattaya Hobli, Hassan Taluk, Hassan District for providing Internet Connectivity in Rural Areas and Connecting Grama Panchayaths under DIGITAL INDIA Programmed by Govt. of India in Hassan Range in favor of Assistant General Manager, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, Hassan in Hassan Forest Division, Hassan. Details of land required for implementation of the project is as under;

Sl. No	Village	Sy.No	Extent (ha)	Width	Legal status of land
a.	Kattaya village	2	0.0814	0.60 M	Reserve Forest
b.	Kattaya Kaval Village	2	0.0146		Reserve Forest
c.	Kattaya Kaval Village	129	0.0007		Reserve Forest
d.	Kattaya Kaval Village	145	0.0232		Reserve Forest
e.	Kattaya Kaval Village	142	0.0265		Reserve Forest
f.	Kattaya Kaval Village	143	0.0046		Reserve Forest
g.	Kattaya Kaval Village	126	0.0056		Reserve Forest
h.	Kattaya Kaval Village	90	0.0053		Reserve Forest
Total Extent of Forest Area Required			0.1619 ha		

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Hassan District, Hassan has inspected the proposed area on 19-04-2021 and reported that the proposed area falls in Dry Deciduous forest having Eco –Class-III consisting of tropical dry-deciduous forest with density of 0.4. This forest includes area of unique flora and fauna with biological diversity and genetic resources apart from many medicinal herbs and shrubs. The area is home for wild fauna like Wild boar, Rabbit, Leopard, Sloth Bear etc., and common avifauna. The proposed forest land also doesn't come under wildlife sanctuaries and national parks, biosphere reserve & tiger reserve. The proposed area is not part of elephant habitat. Since, the proposed project is for providing Internet Connectivity in rural areas and Connecting Gram Panchayath under Digital India program of GOI.

The proposed area comes within Kattaya Kaval reserve forest area. The land required for the project is unavoidable and barest minimum for implementation of the project.

The Deputy Commissioner, Hassan District, Hassan had given certificate as per Check list no.3 (Appendix No.2) that there is no alternative suitable non forestland is available for laying BSNL of cable in Hassan-Kattaya route, Hassan District, Karnataka for this project.

Spot inspection by the undersigned was conducted on 20-5-2021 in Kattaya Kaval Reserve forest. Since the proposal project is for providing internet connectivity in rural areas and connecting Gram Panchayath under Digital India Program of GOI. the project may be accepted. The result of spot inspection is recorded in PART-III. The proposal may be accepted as per the request of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Hassan Division and Assistant General Manager, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, Hassan in the essential public service/interest. Hence the proposal under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 is submitted for favour of kind perusal. Required information/documents are submitted in 4 sets for further needful action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Conservator of Forests,
Hassan Circle, Hassan.

- Copy forwarded to Deputy Conservator of Forests, Hassan Division, Hassan for information.
- Copy forwarded Assistant General Manager, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, Hassan for information.

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 & observations made in form of inspection note to be enclosed.	Yes, on 20-05-2021
2	Whether the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests agree with the information give in Part-B and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	Yes
3	Specific recommendation of concerned Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	proposed project is for providing internet connectivity in rural areas and connecting gram panchayath under digital India programme of government of India. So proposal may be accepted.

Date: 9 -07-2021


Chief Conservator of Forests
Hassan Circle, Hassan

Site inspection report

Inspected the site on 20-05-2021. The proposed project is for diversion of 0.1619 Ha. of forest land for laying BSNL OF cable in Hassan-Kattaya route, Hassan District, Karnataka for providing internet connectivity in rural areas and connecting gram panchayaths under Digital India programme by Government of India. Forest area proposed is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. No need to remove trees. Proposal may be accepted.


**Chief Conservator of Forests,
Hassan Circle, Hassan**