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Proposal for diversion of forest land for laying Optical Fiber Cable within RoW of the existing Road of SH-337 (Pauni to Nagpur/Bhandara Border) in favour of Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd. in District Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra.

(Online Proposal No. FP/MIH/OFC/156905/2022)

Site Inspection Report

(Prescribed vide PCCF (HoFF) No Desk-17-4. Dated.05/11/2015)

Items	Observation and remarks			
Name of the project and location	Laying Optical Fiber Cable along the existing Road of SH-337 (Pauni to Nagpur/Bhandara Border) in District Nagpur.			
Village, Range, Round, Beat :	Village /Comptt No	Range	Round	Beat
	FDCM Forests Comptt. 587-RF and 420-RF	Pauni	Pauni	Pauni
	Reserved Forests Comptt. 423-RF	Pauni	Pauni	Sawangi
	Saundani, Warghat and Salai (Hiwara Bazar)	Pauni	Hiwara	Warghat
	Reserved Forests Comptt. 437-RF	Pauni	Salai	Salai
	Reserved Forests Comptt. 438-RF and 435-RF	Pauni	Salai	Mogarkasa
Name of the User Agency.	M/s. Reliance Jio Limited. in district Nagpur			
Date of site inspection.	01/07/2022			
Extent (ha.) and legal status of forest land proposed for diversion.	Area – 0.4232 ha. Legal status of forest land – Reserved Forests and Zudpi Jungle.			
a) Details of forest land proposed for diversion and activity-wise break-up of forest land.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable			
b) Density and Eco-value class.	Density: below 0.2 (Open Forests). ECO Value Class III comes under southern tropical Dry deciduous forests.			
Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the User Agency in col.2 of part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternative examined.	Yes.			
	No alternative			
Whether the proposal involves any construction of building (including residential) or not? If yes, details thereof.	No.			
a) Whether forest area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view or not.	Yes			
b) Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in proposed forest land. If so, the details thereof.	Newly Moagarkasa Conservation Reserve sanction by GOM, but Notification not issued till date.			
c) Aerial distance from the nearest boundary of any protected Area (km).	Aerial distance from the nearest boundary of Pench Tiger Reserve is 100 mtr approx.			
d) Remarks about sensitivity of the forest area likely to be affected due to project.	No.			
e) Whether wildlife mitigation plan is required? If yes, reasons therefore:	No.			

Details of vegetation:	
a) Total number of trees to be felled:	
b) Number of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm:	0
c) Number of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm:	0
d) Effect of removal of trees on the general eco-system in the area.	NA.
Background note on the proposal (short summary).	-
Whether the proposal involves any violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980? If yes, a detailed report on violation including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached.	No.
Whether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced person. If yes, whether rehabilitation plan has been approved by the State Government?	No.
Details on catchment and culturable command area under the project (if applicable).	Not Applicable.
Status of catchment area treatment plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (if applicable).	Not Applicable.
Utility of the project.	OFC cable for reliable Communication from remote places to district /State headquarters. By laying of Cable media connectivity can be provided to further remote area.
Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural/ religious values? Whether any sacred grove or very old growth trees/forests exist in the areas proposed for diversion?	No.
Any other important information related to the project (Separate note may be attached, if required).	Project Note enclosed in the proposal.
Details of documents and photographs enclosed:	Enclosed.
Recommendations of the Inspecting Officer	Recommended for approval with SBWL Sanction needed.

(Signature)

Name of Inspecting Officer: Dr. Bharat Singh HadaDesignation: Deputy Conservator of Forests,

Nagpur Division Nagpur

Dy. Conservator of Forests
Nagpur Forest Division
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Place : Nagpur

Date : 15/07/2022