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Lr. No.: RJIL/AP/NLD/PCCF/17-18/265

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2018

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
(Head of Forest Force).  
Forest Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh,  
Sankurathri Residency, EVR Gardesns,  
M.G. Inner Ring Road, Agatavarappadu,  
Guntur – 522 509  
Andhra Pradesh.

**Kind Attn.: Shri R.P. Khajuria, Addl. PCCF (FCA) & Nodal Officer (FCA)**

Dear Sir,

Sub.: Diversion of 2.57 Ha of Forest Land for laying of OFC along the road within in the existing Right of Way  
Passing through Forest land under **Narsipatnam Division**

Ref.: 1. Online proposal No. FP/AP/Others/30968/2017 dt. 22-12-2017

2. PCCF (HoFF), Andhra Pradesh letter on short comings vide letter No. 11094/2017/FCA-1 dt. 12-01-2018

We thankfully acknowledge the receipt of letter cited at 2 above, wherein we were informed about following short comings in our online proposal cited above and were requested to upload the rectified proposal after attending to the below queries/deficiencies. In this regard, we wish to submit our response to the queries raised as under:

1. **Form- A 1- ix – Non Forest land in Ha. to be indicated in lieu of proposed forest land of 2.57 Ha. to be diverted**

We wish to inform you that we have indicated the Non Forest Area as 0.82 Ha. in Form A1 – ix and the same can be seen from the attached Report Part-1.

2. **Form- C (iv) – Authenticated DGPS surveyed map not properly uploaded.**

We have uploaded the DGPS Maps again now and the same are clearly visible.

3. **Form- K(i)(a) – RoFR certificate not uploaded**

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India, Letter No. 11-9/98-FC (pt.) Dated 5<sup>th</sup> February , 2013 wherein MoEF issued guidelines on “Proposals seeking prior approval of Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for projects like construction of roads, canals, laying of pipelines/optical fibers and transmission lines etc., where linear diversion of use of forest land in several villages are involved, unless recognized rights of PTG/PAC are being affected, are exempted from the requirement of obtaining consent of the concerned Gram Sabha(s) as stipulated in clause (c) read with clause (b), (e) and (f) in second para of this Ministry’s said letter dated 03.08.2009”, we hereby certify that our proposal for laying of Underground Optical Fibre cable (OFC) in existing Right of the Road and does not involve recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups/Pre-Agricultural communities (PTG/PAC). We also undertake to obtain and submit the consent of concerned Gram Sabha(s), if it is found otherwise, at any point of time. An undertaking to this effect has been uploaded and also enclosed herewith.

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4. **Form- L (iv) (c) - CA Land details are not uploaded**

Please refer to MoEF guidelines vide letter No. F. No. 11-9/98/FC Dated: 15.06.2004, in continuation of Ministry of Environment & Forests Lr.No. even dt. 19.9.2003 on the above mentioned subject wherein a general approval was granted under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 by the Central Government for diversion of forest land for underground laying of telephone lines and underground laying of drinking water supply pipelines subject to certain conditions. Since, this general approval was given with the condition that such projects should not involve tree felling; therefore the question of compensatory afforestation does not arise.

We trust the above information/clarifications suffice the requirements and request you to kindly allow us to proceed with submission of physical copies of the proposals for further process.

Thanking you,

For **Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited**

**Authorized Signatory**

**Encl.: As above**