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**Letter**

Subject :- Diversion of 0.1320 ha. Forest land for laying of 6" dia steel pipeline to set up Natural Gas from Sanjan to Angam at village Uplat & Amgaon, Tal. Talasari, Dist. Palghar in Maharashtra State.

No. Desk-10/FCA/CR- 40/19-20/OW- / 2 2 /20-21  
Thane - 400 603, Dated : 09/07/2020

To,

**The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
and Nodal Officer,  
Maharashtra State,  
Nagpur – 440 001**

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has submitted the proposal mentioned in the subject vide his letter No. A/20/Land/871, dated 25.09.2019, No. A/20/Land/1580, dated 17.02.2020 & A/20/Land/330 dated 25.06.2020 Photo copy of the same are enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The Project Agency of this project is M/s. Gujarat Gas Limited, 301-304, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, IT Tower-1, Info city, Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat State.

The Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board, New Delhi has granted authorization to M/s. Gujarat Gas Company Limited, Ahmedabad for laying, building, operating or expanding the City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in Thane District (Maharashtra) excluding areas already authorized on 01/04/2015.

The Government of Maharashtra made a MOU with Gujarat Gas Limited during the Maharashtra investment seminar held at the make in the India Week on 13-18 Feb 2016 in Mumbai to setup city gas distribution (CGD) projects (Piped Natural Gas for domestic / commercial/industrial-SMEs usages and CNG for transport sector) in Thane & Palghar District (Excluding already authorized) in the state of Maharashtra.

2.00 The Project Authority has submitted a proposal for diversion of 0.1320 Ha. Forest land for laying of 6" dia steel pipeline to set up Natural Gas from Sanjan to Angam at village Uplat & Amgaon, Tal. Talasari, Dist. Palghar. Therefore, the Project Authority is seeking GOI's permission u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3.00 The Forest land required for this Project is 0.1320 Ha. The details of land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No.	Village	Taluka	Survey / Gut No.	Area (Ha.)	Legal Status
1.	Amgaon	Talasari	118	0.0348	Private Forest
2.	Uplat		1281	0.353	Protected Forest
3.	Uplat		1050	0.108	Protected Forest
4.	Uplat		1279	0.0072	Protected Forest
5.	Uplat		1282	0.0439	Protected Forest
<b>Total</b>				<b>0.1320</b>	

4.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has certified that the proposed project is not included in the area of any National Park / Wildlife Sanctuary or Nature Reserve.

5.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has certified that there is no violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and its guidelines have been committed.

6.00 This proposal is for laying of 6" dia steel pipeline to set up Natural Gas from Sanjan to Angam at village Uplat & Amgaon, Tal. Talasari, Dist. Palghar and project involved 0.1320 ha. forest land. Hence, Compensatory Non Forest land is not required. The degraded forest land is identified for Compensatory Afforestation from Compt./Survey No. 241 of village Rampur, Tal. Dahanu, Dist. Palghar. The Project Authority is willing to bear the cost of Compensatory Afforestation as required by the GOI.

7.00 The Project Authority has given an 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 also enclosed in the proposal.

8.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has certified that no suitable alternate non forest land is available for the proposal and demand for the forest land is minimum.

9.00 The Project Authority has submitted the undertaking that pipeline will be laid within road ROW only and permission has been obtained from Executive Engineer PWD Palghar.

- 10.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has certified that there is no cutting or felling of trees involved in the proposed project.
- 11.00 The proposed area i.e. 0.1320 ha. is beyond 10 kms. of any National Park / Sanctuary and the said Project will not have any adverse effect on the Wildlife within any National Park / Sanctuary.
- 12.00 The Project Authority has not submitted the FRA - 2006 Certificate. 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 from Collector Palghar after Stage-I approval of the Govt. of India.
- 13.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has certified, 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, Dahanu has carried out site inspection on 20.09.2019. The site inspection report is enclosed in the proposal.
- 15.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu's report is self-explanatory and this office agrees with the same.
- 16.00 As per the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu, this project is essential for Gas Distribution Network in Talasari Taluka of Palghar District and in larger public interest and which requires less than 1.00 ha of forest land. The Project Authority is ready to bear all the Government levies. The proposal is recommended with condition of recovery of Net Present Value, Cost of Compensatory Afforestation on 1 hectore of degraded forest land.
- 17.00 Five sets of proposals are enclosed herewith with all required documents for further necessary action. Proposal has already been submitted online vide No. FP/MH/OTHERS/35246/2018.

Encl. :- as above.

  
(Naresh Zurmure)  
Chief Conservator of Forests (T),  
Thane

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu, for information and necessary action.

Copy to M/s. Gujrat Gas Limited, 301-304, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, IT Tower-1, Info city, Gandhi Nagar, Gujrat State, for information and necessary action.

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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, Dahanu.
3.	Specific recommendation of the Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	This project is essential for Gas Distribution Network in Talasari Taluka of Palghar District and in larger public interest and which required less 1.00 ha forest land. As per the recommendations of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu, the proposal is being recommended for approval.

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

Date : 09.07.2020

Place : Thane