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**Name of Project: Construction of 33 KV Transmission Line Lothiyana GSS to
Proposed 33/11 KV Mandesara GSS, Tehsil- Rawatbhata, District -
Chittorgarh (Raj.)**

Proposal No.: FP/RJ/TRANS/40778/2019

A proposal has been received by this office from AJMER VIDHYUT VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED, A.En (O&M) AVVNL Rawatbhata, Chittorgarh for diversion (under FCA-1980) of 11.8905 ha of forest land in Bandermutta Reserved Forest Block and Mandesara-A Protected Forest Block in Range Borav (Chittorgarh Division) for laying of 33 KV transmission line to connect Lotiyana GSS to new Mandesara GSS. The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal was done by me on dated 16th December 2019. On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency is forest land in Bandermutta Reserved Forest Block and Mandesara-A Protected Forest Block in Range Borav (Chittorgarh Division) situated adjacent to the boundaries of Bhainsrodgarh WLS and runs along the kaccha-rasta connecting Lotiyana and Mandesara villages temporarily.

The requirement of the forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and is technically a bare minimum for the project.

The forest area involved in the project has fairly good vegetative density and considerable wildlife presence. Panther, Hyena, Wolf, Blue bull, Rodents, Golden Jackal, Fox, Monitor lizard, Wild Boar, Peafowl etc are reported in the area.

There is **not any** protected archaeological/ heritage site/ defense establishment or any other important monument located in the area.

The user agency has **not violated** the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and work has not been started without proper sanction.

The area has rugged topography, the soil depth is shallow yet few good patches of Palas, Tendu, Khair and Dhonk are present in the area. The transmission line intends to provide improved electrical connectivity to remote villages of Mandesara, Khalgaon, Luharia etc and shall be useful to the need of around 5000 inhabitants of this remote area. As this transmission line shall use cemented posts of 25 feet height and 6 inches rad and shall be placed at the distance of 50-60 meters from one another, therefore, the project is less damaging to the forest area than the benefit that it envisages to accrue.

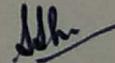
Therefore, the construction/ laying of the proposed transmission line may be approved for better power connectivity to few very remote villages of the district, provided some adequate measures in terms of:-

- Extra caution while moving the equipment for erecting posts or stretching wires are taken to avoid uprooting of large trees.
- Drilling/excavation of pits to erect posts and other works shall be executed preferably and wherever possible by manual labour and at no point blasting shall be allowed.
- Removal of trees falling in the way of proposed transmission line shall be done in presence of local forest officers and their instruction must be followed for minimizing the necessity of tree removal (actual removal of trees must be lesser than the enumerated number).

are kept as the part of the project implementation.

Place: Chittorgarh

Date: 16/12/2019



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