Full title of the Project: Laying of underground CNG Pipeline between Daund- Kurkumbh-Gunjkheda Junction

File No.: FP/ MH/Pipeline/148744/2021

Date of Proposal:25/10/2021

## **Annexure**

## SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Sr. No.	Items	Observations and Remarks
1	Name of the Project and location	Laying of underground CNG Pipeline from Daund- Kurkumbh- Gunjkheda Junction
2	Name of the User Agency	Torrent Gas Pune Limited, Pune
3	Date of Site Inspection	25 / 0   /2021
4	Extent (in Ha) and legal status of the Forest Land proposed for diversion	0.2740Ha. Reserved Forest land falling within jurisdiction of Pune Forest Division, Maharashtra State.
5	a. Details of Forest Land proposed for diversion and activity wise break-up of Forest Land	Area Statement is appended hereto as Appendix- I.  Required Forest Land: 0.2740Ha.
	b. Density-wise Eco-Value Class	Eco-Value Class- III, Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest (OF) Density :0.1

6	Whether the requirement of Forest Land as proposed by the User Agency in Col. No 2 of Part- I is unavoidable and the barest minimum for the project? If no, recommended area item-wise with details with alternatives examined	Yes. The requirement of Forest Land is unavoidable and restricted to barest minimum.
7	Whether the area involves construction of building (Including residential) or not. If yes, details thereof.	No.
8	a. Whether the Forest Area proposed for diversion is important from wildlife point of view or not.	No.
	b. Details of any rare or endangered or unique species of flora and fauna found in proposed Forest Land. If so, details thereof.	No any conspicuous flora and fauna observed or reported so far.
	c. Areal distance from nearest boundary of protected area (km)	Beyond 10 Kms.
	d. Remark about sensitivity of	

	the Forest Area likely to be affected due to the project  e. Whether	Insensitive. Forest Area is unlikely to be affected by the project.
	Wildlife Mitigation Plan is required? If yes, reason thereof	No.
9	a. Total no. of trees to be felled	Nil
	b. No. of trees to be felled of girth below 60 cm.	Nil
	c. No. of trees to be felled of girth above 60 cm.	Nil
	d. Effect of removal of trees on general ecosystem in the area	Not applicable in view of Clause 'a' above.
10	Background Note on the proposal (Short summary)	The Torrent Gas Pune Limited, Pune intends to lay an underground CNG Pipeline along and across the Daund-Kurkumbh-Gunjkheda Junction, within the RoW. Part of the pipeline pass through certain patches of Forest Land in the Daund Range of Pune Forest Division. A Forest Land to the extent of 0.2740 Ha. is required to be diverted for the purpose. The National Highway Authority of India, PIU, Pune has accorded permission to the Torrent Gas Pune Limited, Pune to lay underground gas pipeline, Hence, the proposal needs FCA Clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

11	Whether the proposal involves violation of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980? If yes, detailed report on violation, including action taken against the concerned officials to be attached	No work has been carried out in violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
12	Whether the proposal involves rehabilitation of displaced persons? If yes, whether the Rehabilitation Plan has been approved by the State Government?	No
13	Details on Catchment and Culturable Command area under the project (If applicable) Status of Catchment Area Treatment Plan to prevent siltation of reservoir (If applicable)	Not applicable
14	Utility of the project	The project is aimed at conversion of diesel/petrol vehicles in the country to CNG/LNG for ensuring lesser emissions and cleaner environment and saving foreign exchange by reducing import of fossil fuel.
15	Whether land being diverted has any socio-cultural / religious value? Whether any sacred groove or very old grown trees/ forest exist in the areas	No

	proposed for diversion?	
16	Any other important information related to the project (separate note may be attached, if required)	No
17	Details of documents and photographs attached	Annexed hereto as below:  1. Photographs of Site Inspection (Appendix- II)  2. Notification of Reserved Forests (Appendix- III)
18	Recommendations of the Inspecting Officer (CCF/CF/DCF)	The project is site specific and is vital for boosting India's economy and improve the quality of environment. It will contribute positively as the natural resources will be put to optimal use. Hence, the proposal is recommended for acceptance.

Date: 17/02/22 Place: Pune

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