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PART – III

(To be filled by the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests)

14.	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 .
15.	Whether the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	Agree with the recommendations of the Deputy Conservator of Forests. Alibag.
16.	Specific recommendation of the Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	The proposal is recommended for approval.

Date: 2\(\mathcal{Q}\) / 10 /2017.

Place: THANE

(Sunil Limaye)

Chief Conservator of Forests (T),

Thane

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Letter

Subject - Forest land Alibag

Diversion of Reserved Forest 0.1772 ha. for laying of underground Electric cable and construction of control room at village Gharapuri, Tal. Uran, Dist. Raigad.

No. Desk-10/FCA/CR-39/17-18/OW- 628 /17-18. Thane – 400 603, Dated: 27/10/2017.

Τo,

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

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has submitted the proposal mentioned in the subject vide his letter No. A/20/Land/1186, dated 25.10.2017. Photo copy of the same is enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The Project Agency of this project is Executive Engineer, Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Company Ltd., Panvel (U) Division Panvel.

- 2.00 The Project Authority has submitted a proposal for diversion of 0.1772 Ha. Forest land for laying of underground Electric Cable and construction of Control Room at village Gharapuri, Tal. Uran, Dist. Raigad. 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 0.1772 Ha. The details of land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No.	Village	Taluka	Survey No.	Area (Ha.)	Legal Status
1.	Gharapuri	Uran	38	0.0067	
			66	0.0147	
			40/B	0.0126	D
ļ			55	0.0473	Reserved Forest
			59A	0.0959	
			Total	0.1772	

- 4.00 The area involved in this proposal does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve and is not Karnala Bird Sanctuary.
- 5.00 Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has submitted that the provisions of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and guidelines there under, have been violated by the user agency by starting the laying of underground electric cable and construction of control room at village Gharapuri, Tal. Uran, Dist. Raigad, but work was stopped and the Forest offence was booked against the Project Authority.
- 6.00 In this proposal, the violation form is not included. The same is awaited from Project Authority. In this regard, this office has asked Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag and Project Authority to furnish the violation form immediately which will be submitted to you.
- 7.00 This proposal is for laying of underground Electric Cable and construction of Control Room at village Gharapuri, Tal. Uran, Dist. Raigad and project involved 0.1772 ha. forest land. Hence Compensatory Non Forest land is not required. The degraded forest land is identified for Compensatory Afforestation from Compt. No. 608pt of village Varhad Jabulpada, Tal. Sudhagad, Dist. Raigad. The Project Authority is willing to bear the cost of Compensatory Afforestation as required by the GOI but as the Project Authority has done the violation, apart from the regular penal action, the Project Authority should be directed to make Afforestation on one more hector of degraded forest land. i.e. Afforestation on two hectors of degraded forest land.
- 8.00 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.
- 9.00 There is no cutting and felling of trees involved in this project.
- 10.00 The proposed area i.e. 0.1772 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.
- 11.00 The User Agency has submitted the undertaking of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Right) Act 2006.

- 12.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has certified, the proposed Project is not likely to affect any monuments site of culture, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance the proposed site comes till the entry of Elephanta Caves.
- 13.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag has carried out site inspection on 05.09.2017. The site inspection report is enclosed in the proposal.
- 14.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag's report is self-explanatory and this office agrees with the same.
- 15.00 As per the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Alibag, this project is essential for laying of underground Electric Cable and construction of Control Room at village Gharapuri, Tal. Uran, Dist. Raigad and this project is for infrastructure development and in larger public interest and which required less 1.00 ha 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 2 hectors of degraded forest land (including penal Compensatory Afforestation on 1 hector).
- 16.00 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/TRANS/27765/2017.

Encl. :- as above.

Chief Conservator of Forests (

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

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