ANNEXURE – 17

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Regional Office, Bhopal

Check list for site inspection by DFO / CF / CCF

Approved by REC in its meeting held on 22-05-2015 State Serial No. of Proposal:-FP/GJ/Others/34592/2018.

(Diversion of 38.8633 ha Forest land for Expansion of RIL. Hazira Manufacturing Division and Associated Facilities Like Tank farm, Warehousing, etc. At village Hazira Ta: Choryasi Dist. Surat of Gujarat state.)

Sr no	Particular	Inspection Re	port by DFO (T)
1.	Extent in hectares.	38.80	633 ha.
2.	Location (Lat-Long) of the forest land proposed for Diversion.	-	n ChoryasiTaluka t Divi.)
		Easting	Northing
		256033.3400	2338954.0500
		255577.1100	2339277.8600
		255856.1500	2339525.9600
		256080.4700	2339826.7100
		256093.8400	2339835.6900
		256149.0300	2339866.7200
		256449.2900	2339610.2500
		256384.3200	2339462.5200
		256341.3900	2339392.2200
		256372.4400	2339362.8600
		256354.8300	2339333.6200
		256315.2400	2339354.5600
		256108.1200	2339057.4700
		256138.4900	2339032.4800
		256117.5900	2339003.2600
		256085.1800	2339028.1500

3.	Legal status of the forest land (protected forest, Reserved forest, Revenue forest land or any other forest land)	Un-class Forest	
4.	Demarcation of the area with temporary cairns etc.	Yes	
5.	Any signs of encroachment.	No	
6.	Any activity already taken up within the forest land or adjoining on forest land as part of the proposed project by the user agency. Details of action taken against the user agency in case of violation of the FC Act and guidelines there under.		
7.	Status of vegetation, site, quality, species composition etc.	The said area has 14.90 ha of 2015-16 plantation (DF-7 model) and 22.80 ha of 2016-17 plantations (DF-7 model). Currently there are 27670 plants with following species. Sr LocalName Scientific Plant no. 1 Desibabool Acacia nilotica 4820 2 UntMarod SuaedaFruticosa 9884 3 Pilu Salvadorapersica 7637 4 Kigelia Kigelia Africana 2647 5 Gandabaval ProsophisJuliflora 2682 Total 27670	
8.	Importance of area from wildlife point of view, status of wildlife (density and abundance of important species, bird life reptiles, butterflies and other scheduled animals any endangered wildlife) Any latest census of wildlife in this area.	No	
9.	Endemism of flora / fauna or any other unique ecosystem in the area.	No	
10.	Current land use. Is this area managed as per prescriptions in the working plan and if not, why	Forest The other details of the site are shown in the KML file.	
11.	Importance of the area from historical or religious point of view.	No	

12.	Any department of persons proposed	
		No
13.	Any displacement of persons proposed	No
14.	Is there any Rehabilitation and Resettlement plan for the person to be affected? Is there any dissenting.	No
15.	Compensatory Afforestation proposed is on forest land or non-forest land. Location of this area, suitability of the area for CA. If in the degraded forest land then what is the current working plan prescription for the area? Distance of the non-forest land for CA from the nearest forest area. Number of patches in case the area should be more than 10 kms.	Compensatory afforestation on non-forest land at Village: Velavadar, Taluka and Dist: Bhavnagar, S.No. 152p/9-p1 pt. Area 39.00 ha.
16.	Proposal area should not be part of any protected area. Also distance from the boundary of the nearest protected area should be more than 10 kms.	105 km Away from Purna W.L. Sanctuary in Dang Dist.
17.	Dependence of tribal in the area, Whether the rights of the tribal have been recognized in this area.	No
18.	Utility of the project, including the people living in closed vicinity of the project.	It has been submitted by the user agency in the Annexure-7 and Annexure-9. The copy of the same is attached here with.
19.	In case of renewal whether all the conditions stipulated N/A in the earlier sanction order have been complied with.	No
20.	Alternatives examined by the user agency in case of non-site specific projects.	No
21.	A certificate by the user agency that the forest land requested for diversion for non- forestry purpose is bare minimum.	Yes
22.	Any scope of saving tree growth while ensuring that the purpose for which the forest land is being diverted is also not adversely affected.	No

24. Specific recommendation of the DFO with reason for approval of the project. According to the Forest land demanded for diversion by this user agency (Reliance Industries Ltd.) the demand for the use of the same forest land at hajira has been made by two industrial houses, and a comprehensive decision has been taken after proper verification of their project and after in-depth study of all aspects regarding the			
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Date:4/05/2024

Place : Surat

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