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Letter

## Subject :- Forest land - Thane.

Diversion of 0.0399 ha. of Protected Forest land for Construction of Railway over bridge in lieu of level crossing 6 at Railway Km 63/400 on Diva – Vasai Section Railway line at Kharbao, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane in the State of Maharashtra.

No. Desk-10/FCA/CR-20/20-21/OW- **58.3** /22-23. Thane - 400 603, Dated : **£5**/01/2023

To,

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

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has submitted the proposal mentioned in the subject vide his letter No. D-25/A/Survey/FCA/1629, dated 20.01.2023. Xerox copy of the same is enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The Project Agency of this project is Executive Engineer, Multistoried Buildings Construction Division, Administrative Building, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Chembur, Mumbai - 400 071.

The Proposal is for Construction of Railway over bridge in lieu of level crossing 6 at Railway Km 63/400 on Diva - Vasai Section Railway line on Protected Forest S.No.257/Part at Kharbao, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane in the State of Maharashtra.

Therefore, Project Authority is seeking Government of India's permission u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Railway Department proposed Dedicated Freight Corridor Project between JNPT Maharashtra to Dadri (U.P.) Government of India has granted statutory approval to this project u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide letter No.F.8-92/2012-FC, dated 16.12.2015. So DFCCIL and Public Works Department, Maharashtra, is in process of Construction of proposed Railway over bridge in lieu of Level Crossing 6 at Railway Km. 63/400 on Diva - Vasai Section on Protected forest S. No.257/Part at Village Kharbao, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane. The work of Railway over bridge is to be carried out on 50-50% cost sharing basis by DFCCIL (Mumbai) and Public Works Department, Maharashtra.

27/1/2023

The over bridge allows Railway to facilitate faster movement of people & vehicles assumed to increase in future thereby resulting in congested traffic in the villages. The project is important and will enhance the communication and development on Central Railway Track.

Government of Maharashtra, Public Works Department, have sanctioned Administrative approval to this project vide G.R. No.PLN-2016/CR-599/Ni-3, Mantralaya, Mumbai, dated 12.02.2016.

The Forest land required for this project is 0.0399 ha. The details of land proposed for diversion is as under :-

Sr. No.	Village	Taluka	Survey No.	Area in (ha.)	Legal status
1.	Kharbao	Bhiwandi	257/Pt.	0.0399	Protected Forest
		Total	0.0399		

- 4.00 The Project Authority has given undertaking to pay the total cost of Net Present Value as directed by the Govt. of India. The Project Authority has submitted necessary Certificates/ Undertakings and Maps which are enclosed in the proposal.
- 5.00 The Project Authority has given undertaking that the process of getting FRA-2006 certificate from Collector, Thane is in progress and will be submitted as and when receives from the Collector Thane.
- 6.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane, has certified that the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and guidelines under the Act have not been violated by the Project Authority.
- 7.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has certified that the proposed project is not likely to affect any monuments, site of culture, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 8.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has certified that the forest area involved in this proposal does not form part of any existing National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary etc. and further certified that the Proposed Project is 1.780 Km from Tungareshwar Wildlife Sanctuary. The Proposed Project is not included in Tungareshwar Wild Life Sanctuary Eco-Sensitive Zone, as Tungareshwar Wild Life Sanctuary is finally notified on 19.09.2019.

- 9.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has proposed area of 1.00 ha. degraded forest land of Reserved Forest Survey No.158 at Village Lakhwali, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane. Further certified that proposal degraded forest land is suitable for Compensatory Afforestation & Management purpose and also it is free from encroachment and encumbrances. 10 years Compensatory Afforestation Scheme is enclosed with the proposal along with requisite maps.
- 10.00 The Project Authority has submitted an undertaking to defray the cost of tree felling at the prevailing wage rate.
- 11.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests Thane has certified that there is cutting and felling of 10 number of trees in the project for diversion of 0.0399 ha. in the Tal. Bhiwandi, District of Thane. Number of trees to be felled Girth wise are as under, breakup and felling estimate enclosed in the proposal.

Below 30 cms	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	91-105	106-120	121-135	136-150	Total
1	3	0	1	2	1	1	1	0	10

- 12.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has carried out site inspection on 12.08.2022 Site Inspection Report is enclosed in the proposal.
- 13.00 As per the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane this project is of larger public interest and which requires 0.0399 ha. of forest land at Protected Forest S.No. 257/Part at Village Kharbao, Tal. Bhiwandi, Dist. Thane. The Project Authority is ready to bear all the Government levies and as per the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane the Proposal is recommended for acceptance and necessary approval u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- 14.00 Four sets of proposal are enclosed herewith with all required documents for further necessary action. Proposal is submitted online vide Proposal No.FP/MH/Road/46636/ 2020.

(S.V. Ramarao)

Encl. :- as above.

Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane

Thane

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests,

for information and necessary action.

Copy to Executive Engineer, Multistoried Buildings Construction Division, Administrative Building, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Chembur, Mumbai – 400 071, for information and necessary action.

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## PART - III

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

1.	Whether site, where the forest land	No, not inspected by Chief
	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.	
2.	Whether the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	the Deputy Conservator of Forests,
3.	Specific recommendation of the Chief Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	1

(S.V. Ramarao) Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane

Date : 25.01.2023

Place : Thane

भुख्य वनसंरक्षण (प्रा.) ठाणे, वनवृत्त चे कार्यालय जवा जासांज 2 3 JAN 2023 101 23 158 BI मुख्य धनसंरक्षक ठाणे **Government of Maharashtra** तेष अधिकारी Tel No. 022 25-21373 **Forest Department** 25434349 **Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane Office** Email - dcfthane@gmail.com Marethon Circle. Lal Bahadur Shastri marg, Naupada Thae - 400 602 dycfthane@mahaforest.gov.in Date - 20/01/2023 Letter No. D-25/A/Survey/FCA/ 1629 /2022-23

Chief Conservator of Forest (T.), Thane.

Sub - Diversion of 0.0399 Ha. of Protected Forest Land for Construction of Railway over Bridge in lieu of LC - 6 on Diva - Vasai Railway line at Kharbao.

Diversion of 0.0399 Ha. of Protected Forest Land for Construction of Railway over Bridge in lieu of LC - 6 on Diva - Vasai Railway line at Kharbao has submitted a proposal above reference, under section 2 the forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

This Railway over Bridge project requires forest land which is of Protected Forest categories. Therefore the project authority is seeking Government of India permission under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The area of the land required for the project, which is required to be diverted for the project, and its details are as given below.

Sr.No	Name of Village	S.No.	Forest area in Hector.	Types of Forest	
1	2	3	4	5	
1.	Kharbao	257 pt.	0.0399	Protected Forest	
	TO	TAL	0.0399		

All of the above condition must be compiled by the Project Authority at the cost of User Agency.

The following documents required by the Government of India are attached herewith.

- 1) Prescribed form A, Part I & II.
- 2) Area statement.

- 3) Index map of suitable scale.
- 4) Brief project detail as submitted by the Project Authority.
- 5) The Project Authority has given an undertaking of Net Present Value.
- 6) The site inspection report of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane..

The project authority is willing to bear the cost of Compensatory afforestation as required by government.

The following documents are awaited from the Agency for proposal.

 The certificate under The Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 from Collector, Thane is requested by Project authority. The certificate will be attached in the proposal when it will be issued by the Collector, Thane.

Encl : 5 sets of proposals

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(Santosh Saste) Deputy Conservator of Forests Thane Forests Division, Thane

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