NO. 8-197/91-FC Government of India ל מכנים ל Ministry of Environment and Forest (FC Division) Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodi Road New Delhi-110001 Dated: 1,11,1993. The Scretary (Forests), Government of U.P., Lucknow. Subject: Diversion of 319,28 ha. of forest land for laying of 400 KV Anpara-Varanasi Transmission line in Mirzapur, Sonbhadra and Varanasi districts. Sir, I am directed to refer to your letter No. 3041/14-3-797/89 dated 1.8.1991 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government inaccordance with Section(2) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal has been examined by Advisory Committee constituted by the Central Government under Section(3) of the Forest (Conservation) Act.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government and on the basis of the recommendation of above mentioned Advisory Committee, the Central Government hereby conveys its approval under Section(2) of the Forest (Conservation) Act for diversion of 319.28 ha. of Forest land for laying of 400 KV Anpara-Varanasi Transmission line in Mirzapur, Sonbhadra and Varanasi districts subject to the following conditions r

 The legal status of forest land will remain unchanged.

- Maximum width of right of way for the transmission lines on forest land shall not exceed 52 Mts.
- 3. Below each conductor width clearance of 1 Mts. only will be permitted. The tree on such strips would have to be felled but after stringing work is completed the natural generation will be allowed to come up. Pollarding/Pruning of trees will be allowed with the permission of local Forest Officer, whenever necessary to maintain the electrical clearance.
- 4. In the remaining width within the right of way, trees will be felled or lopped to the extent required for preventing electrical hazards by maintaining minimum clearance of 5.5 Mts. between conductors and trees.

Compensatory afforestation will be carried over equivalent non-forest land which will be notified

Condt. . 2.

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6. Tree felling should be done only when it is unavoidable.

Yours faithfully,

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

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- 1. Frincipal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of U.P., Lucknow.
- 2. The Nodal Officer, Office of PCCF's, Govt. of U.P., Lucknow. .
- 3. The CCF (Central), Regional Office, Lucknow.
- 4. R.O. (HQ.), New Delhi.
- 5. Guard File.

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