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(भारत सरकार का उद्यम)

POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED

(A Government of India Enterprise)



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SRTS-II/HVDC-RP/2018

Date: 27.03.2018

To,  
The District Forest Officer,  
Tamil Nadu Forest Department,  
Vellore Division, Vellore Fort,  
VELLORE - 632004

Dear Sir,

Sub:	Diversion of 9.12Ha (2.76Ha in Vellore & 6.36Ha in Dharmapuri) forest land under forest conservation for construction of 800kV HVDC Transmission line from Raigarh to Pugalur - <b>Submission of Vellore District Collector certificates &amp; route map - Reg</b>
Ref:	1. Online application no FP/TN/TRANS/25759/2017 2. Your office letter C.No. 4713/2017/D1 dated 29.01.18 3. Your office letter C.No. 4713/2017/D1 dated 08.03.18

With reference to your letter ref at 2 above we herewith submit the following documents for your ready reference and kind necessary action.

Sl.No	Forest Department Query	Reply / Explanation
1	The User Agency is requested to upload scanned copy of Survey of India topo sheet indicating boundary of forest land proposed to be diverted.	As per the MoECC requirement the entire route of the transmission line (340km) is uploaded online at section C. Maps of forest land proposed to be diverted & D. Justification for locating the project in forest land and details of alternates examined. However due to the size limitation of the web portal the map is compressed and uploaded (restricting to 20MB). The same may be zoomed in to see the forest crossing clearly. A screen shot extract of the forest crossing is enclosed for ready reference at Annexure 1.

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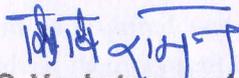
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2	The User Agency is requested to obtain the certificate on non-availability of non-forest land for the project and all alternative have been examined for the project and not feasible except the forest crossing with minimum forest area requirement from the District Collector and upload the same.	Enclosed at Annexure 2 & uploaded online.
3	The User Agency is requested to obtain the certificate on completion of settlement of Rights under the Forest Rights Act 2006 on the forest land proposed to be diverted from the District Collector in the format prescribed by the Govt. of India and upload the same and submit the hard copies to this office.	Enclosed at Annexure 3 & uploaded online.

It is pertinent to mention that POWERGRID follows "Avoidance, Minimization & Mitigation" principle as per our Environment & Social Policy & Procedures, accordingly the Forest Crossing is unavoidable and bare minimum. Hence it is requested to kindly process our application and recommend it further for obtaining the forest clearance and complete this project of National Importance within the scheduled time.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,  
For, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd

  
(C. Venkataraman) 22/3/18  
Asst GM - TLC

Copy to:

1. Conservator of Forests, Vellore Circle, Pillaiyarkoil street, Rangapuram, Vellore - 632 009.
2. The Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation), TN Forest Department, PanagalMaligai, 8th Floor, Saidapet, Chennai -600 015

FORM-I  
(for linear projects)  
Government of Tamil Nadu  
Office of the District Collector, Vellore

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NO: R.Dis /B3/12915/2017

Dated: 23.03.2018

**TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN**

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF), Government of India's letter No.11-9/98- FC(pt) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009 wherein the MOEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 ('FRA' for short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes read with MOEF's letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013 wherein MOEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that 2.76.0 hectares in Kallapadi RF of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of M/s.POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LTD for construction of 800 KV HVDC transmission line from Raigarth to Pugalur in Vellore district falls within jurisdiction of Kallapadi village in Gudiyatham tehsil.

It is further certified that:

- (a) The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 2.76.0 hectares in Kallapadi RF area proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultations and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and the District Level Committee are enclosed as annexure Nil.
- (b) The diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3(2) of FRA have been completed and the Grama Sabhas have given their consent to it - NA.
- (c) **The proposal does not involve recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-agricultural communities.**

Encl: As above

  
S.A.RAMAN, I.A.S..  
District Collector,  
Vellore District, Vellore-9.

  
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Government of Tamilnadu,  
Office of the District Collector,  
Vellore District, Vellore-9

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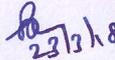
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**CERTIFICATE**

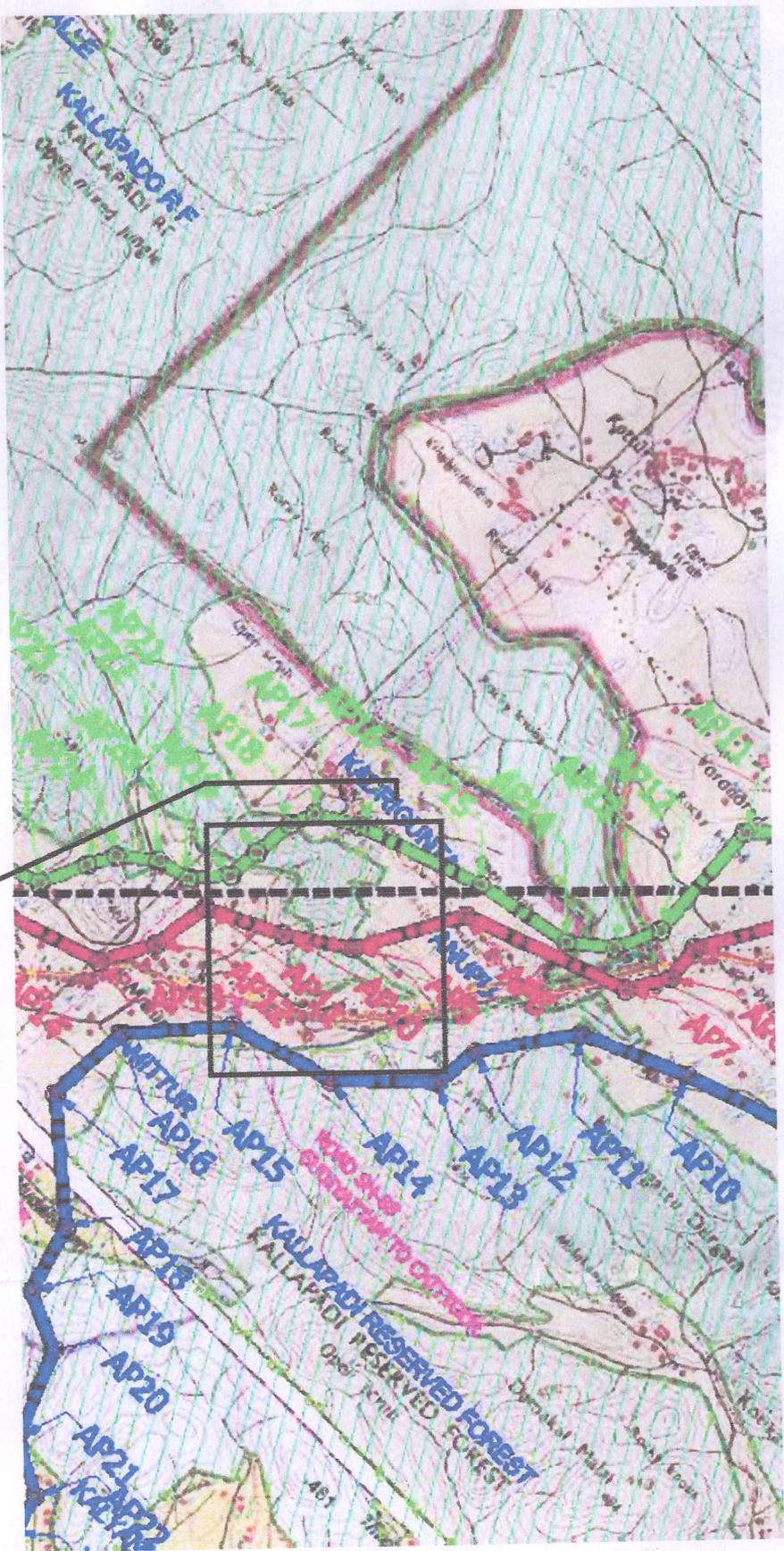
Certified that the demand for forest land for establishing of "800 KV, HVDC transmission line from Raigarth to Pugalur" Kallapadi Village, Gudiyatham Taluk, Vellore District is minimum.

"Certified that **no alternative suitable non-forest land is available**, since proposed establishing of 800 KV HVDC transmission line is situated in the middle of Reserve Forests."

  
S.A.RAMAN, I.A.S..  
Collector of Vellore District,  
Vellore-9.



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Kallapadi RF Crossing 2.76Ha (Red Line AP 9 & AP 10)

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Asst General Manager

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