


Diversion of 0.4350 ha. of forest land for construction of Railway over Bridge in lieu of Level Crossing-8 on Diva-Vasai Railway Line at village Sasunnavghar in Thane District of Maharashtra.

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. Thane.
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 : 28 / 01 / 2020.
Place : THANE


(Naresh Zurmure)
Chief Conservator of Forests (T),
Thane



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Letter

Subject :- Forest land - Thane.

Diversion of 0.4350 ha. forest land for Construction of Railway over Bridge in lieu of Level Crossing-8 on Diva-Vasai Railway Line at Village Sasunnavghar in Thane District of Maharashtra.

No. Desk-10/FCA/CR-52/19-20/OW- 614 /19-20.
Thane - 400 603, Dated : 29 /01/2020

To.

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

The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has submitted the proposal mentioned in the subject vide his letter No. FCA/25/799, dated 20.07.2019. & letter No. FCA/25/1727, dated 03.01.2020. Photo copy of the same are enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The Project Agency of this project is Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Palghar, PWD Compound, Station Road, Palghar.

The Proposal for construction of Railway over bridge in lieu of level crossing No.8 on Diva-Vasai Railway line at village Sasaunnavghar. This Railway presently connected with Diva-Vasai line i.e. central to western line. Railway department proposed dedicated freight corridor project between JNPT to Dadari Delhi. GOI has granted statutory Approval to this proposal u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide letter No.F-8-92/2012-F.C, dated 16.12.2015. This project is running parallel to existing Diva-Vasai Railway line. The Project Authority mentioned in his Project Note that there will be no level crossing on this dedicated freight corridor and all level crossing will be closed by constructing the Railway over bridge on cost sharing basis with GOM. The over bridge allows Railway to facilities faster movement of people & vehicles assumed to increase in future thereby resulting in congested traffic in the villages. It will help in saving time, money and fuel of pedestrians or running automobiles which are presently stranded due to railway crossing.

Public Works Department of Govt. of Maharashtra has given Administrative approval to this project vide GR No. PLN-20/6/CR-(606)/Ni-3, Mantralaya, Mumbai, dated 17.02.2016 (Enclosed in proposal).

2.00 The Project Authority has submitted the proposal for Diversion of 0.4350 ha. forest land for Construction of Railway over Bridge in lieu of Level Crossing-8 on Diva-Vasai Railway Line at Village Sasunnavghar in Thane District. Therefore, the Project Authority is seeking GOI's permission u/s.2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3.00 The details of Notice under section 35(3) and Notification under section 35(1) of Indian Forest Act, 1927 were issued to Village Sasunnavghar Taluka Vasai, District Palghar.

Name of Village	Survey No.	Area		Notice No.	Notification Date	Name of Khatedar
		Acre	Gunthe			
Sasunnavghar	274	14	36	WT/30	19.07.1956	Anant Vishnu Kane

The said area was vested to Government as Deemed Reserved Forest from date 30.08.1975 the said area has not inquired under section 22 A of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act, 1975 (Amendment) 1978. Present status of the proposed land is pending inquiry by concerned Authority.

4.00 The Forest land required for this Project is 0.4350 ha. The details of land proposed for diversion is as under:-

Sr. No.	Village	Taluka	Survey No.	Area (Ha.)	Legal Status
1.	Sasunnavghar	Vasai	54 (Old Survey No.274)	0.4350	Private Forest
Total				0.4350	

5.00 Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has certified that, the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and its guidelines under it have not been violated in project for Diversion of 0.4350 ha. forest land for Construction of Railway Over Bridge in lieu of Level Crossing-8 on Diva-Vasai Railway Line at Village Sasunnavghar in Thane District.

6.00 This proposal is for Construction of Railway Over Bridge in lieu of Level Crossing-8 on Diva-Vasai Railway Line at Village Sasunnavghar in Thane District and project involved 0.4350 ha. forest land. i.e. less than 1.00 ha. Hence, Compensatory Non Forest land is not required. The Deputy Conservator of Forest, Thane has proposed degraded forest land for Compensatory Afforestation, Reserved forest from Survey No.143 of village Rajavali, Tal. Vasai, Dist. Palghar. The Project Authority is willing to bear the cost of Compensatory Afforestation as required by the GOI.

7.00 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.

8.00 The DyCF Thane has certified that the proposed area involved in the proposal is included in the National Park & Wild life Sanctuary.

The proposed area i.e. 0.4350 ha. is within 700 meter from Tungreshwar Wildlife Sanctuary & this area is including in Eco Sensitive Zone of Sanjay Gandhi National Park, Borivali.

09.00 The User Agency had applied for the FRA-2006 certificate from Collector Thane. Regarding to this, the necessary undertaking is submitted and the same is enclosed in the proposal by Project Authority. The Project Authority may be asked to submit FRA certificate after Stage-I approval of GOI.

10.00 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.

11.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has certified that, there is no alternate alignment is available and the required forest area is the barest minimum.

12.00 The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has carried out site inspection on 18.04.2019. The site inspection report is enclosed in the proposal.

13.00 Report of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane is self-explanatory and this office agrees with the same.

14.00 As per the recommendation of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane, this project a infrastructure development project & public use, which is required less than 1.00 ha.

Private Forest Land. Therefore, proposal has been recommended for diversion of 0.4350 ha. forest land for non forest purpose.

15.00 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/ROAD/43236/2019.



(Naresh Zurmure)
Chief Conservator of Forests (T.),
Thane

Encl. :- as above.

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

Copy to Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Palghar, PWD Compound, Station Road, Palghar, for information and necessary action.