

Date: 17/05/2022

GGL/Miani Village/FCA/PF/Compliance/2022

To,
Divisional Forest Officer,
Dasuya Forest Division,
Dasuya (Punjab State)

Sub.: Miani Village Connectivity – Diversion of 0.445 Hectare of Protected Forest land for laying 125 mm dia PE Natural Gas Pipeline parallel & across to Road/River side strip plantation declared as protected forest in Dasuya Tehsil of Hoshiarpur District, Punjab State – Submission of Compliance.

**Ref.:** EDS raised dated 02.05.2022 on forest web portal.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the above subject, it is to be mentioned that the online proposal was submitted by Gujarat Gas Limited (As GSPC group company – Government of Gujarat Undertaking) vide proposal no. FP/PB/Pipeline/146525/2021, dated 30.08.2021 as per the forest guidelines. Hard copy of the proposal was submitted and subsequently, payment towards processing fee and Bank Guarantee has also submitted to your good office and same proposal was recommended through proper channel to Nodal office. However EDS sought by Nodal office asking to submit NOC's of land owning agencies.

This is to inform that obtaining NOC from land owning agency (viz. PWD/Irrigation dept.) is a parallel activity. If the clearance of Forest department gives only after obtaining NOC from land owning agency the clearance of proposal will required double time i.e. time taken by land owning agency as well as time taken by Forest department. Accordingly the projects get delayed as forest clearance taken about 5 to 9 months after clearance by the owning agency. It is therefore requested that the forest department should not insist to club other permission with the forest proposal. Further a undertaking has been submitted with the proposal by the user agency stating that GGL will submit the NOC before approving Stage-II. Kindly consider the same.

In this regards Gujarat Gas Ltd. has also submitted a request letter to Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Forest and Wild Life Preservation, Govt. of Punjab on the same issues and most of proposals also approved as per our request. Copy of the letter is attached herewith. A meeting also held with the Nodal officer on 16.05.2022 on this mater and they also agreed to recommend our proposals for Stage — I approval as per undertaking submitted.

We also wish to inform that as a government company we always adhere the norms of statuary authorities & depositing the payments / laves on time as per the demand received. As on date we have deposited all the payments as per the demand letter received from forest department. PWD department etc. after obtaining in-principal approval.

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Hope our submission is in line to fulfill your requirement. We therefore request you to consider the application and do the needful for granting permission at the earliest possible.

Thanking you an assuring you of our best attention always.

Yours singerely,

Anish Parikh

Dy. Manager (ROU)

Encl.: As above

Copy to: APCCF and Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Complex, Sector-68, Mohali, Punjab.