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Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forest

Forest Division, Patan
Raj Mahel Road, Next to Railway Crossing, Patan, Gujarat

Ref. No.: B/JMN/10/1066-71/2024-25

Date: 24/06/2024

To,
The Deputy Conservator of Forest,
Surat Forest Division, Surat.

Subject:

Request for recommendation of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) land (309.78 Ha Non-Forest Land at Village Antarnesh, Taluka Santalpur, District Patan) for diversion of 188 Ha forest land of Village Hazira & Suvali, Taluka Choryasi, District Surat for development of Port Back-up Facility at Adani Hazira Port Ltd.

Reference:

1. Letter No. FCA/31/B/684-88 dated 03/05/2024 from the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Land), Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.
2. Letter from Adani Hazira Port Limited dated 13/05/2024.
3. Letter No. A/JMN/76 dated 21/06/2024 from the Range Forest Officer, Normal Range, Radhanpur.

Respected Sir,

With reference to the above-mentioned letters at Sr. No. 1 and 2, regarding the request for recommendation of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) land measuring 309.78 hectares of non-forest land situated at Village Antarnesh, Taluka Santalpur, District Patan, for diversion of 188 hectares of forest land located at Village Hazira & Suvali, Taluka Choryasi, District Surat, for the development of port back-up facility by Adani Hazira Port Limited, it is to be stated that out of the total 309.78 hectares, suitability certification for 188 hectares under Patan Forest Division is required.

Out of this, the Range Forest Officer, Normal Range, Radhanpur, under Patan Forest Division, has already issued land suitability certificate for 229.1350 hectares at Village Antarnesh vide reference letter at Sr. No. 3. Upon site inspection by this office, the land has been found suitable for afforestation. Accordingly, the land suitability certificate along with Survey of India toposheet (scale 1:50,000), village map, and the Compensatory Afforestation scheme prepared for 188.00 hectares at the prevailing minimum wage rate of ₹462/- have been enclosed herewith for your kind consideration.

Further, it is to be ensured that the land to be handed over shall be free from any physical encumbrances such as rivers, streams, canals, electric poles, kutcha/pucca roads, village roads, or any other physical assets (natural or man-made elements). That is, all applicable norms and rules for handing over such land to the department must be strictly complied with. Before handing over possession of the said survey numbers, all such encumbrances must be removed, and the land must be transferred in compliance with all stipulated conditions by the Joint President, Adani Hazira Port Limited.

It is therefore requested that necessary orders may kindly be issued at your end.

Enclosure: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

(Bindu Patel)

Deputy Conservator of Forests

Patan Forest Division, Patan

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Land), Gujarat State, Gandhinagar with reference to letter at Sr. No. 1.
2. The Conservator of Forests, Surat Circle, Surat – for information and necessary action.
3. The Conservator of Forests, Kutch Circle, Bhuj – for information and necessary action.
4. The Range Forest Officer, Normal Range, Radhanpur – with reference to letter at Sr. No. 3 for information.
5. Joint President, Adani Hazira Port Limited, Surat – for information with copy of land suitability certificate.