

**Reference: Index Sr. NO- 22**  
**Project Note by Project Authority**

**Name of proposal**

Proposal for diversion of forest land for laying underground OFC duct & cable within the Row of existing road SH -185, road from Savantwadi to Kumbharli up to NH 66, Road passing through forest land at village- Kumbharli, Tal.-Savantwadi Dist.-Sindhudurg, under section 2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

**Proposal submitted by**

Vice -Precedent JIO DIGITAL LIFE  
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**Cost of Project**

The estimated cost at Rs 350/ per Rmt. and the total work in forest & N-forest is 3400 Rmt., cost Rs.11,90,000/ Employments likely to be generated

Type of work	Unskilled	Semi-Skilled	Skilled	Total
During Works Temporary	1030	400	300	1730
Permanent	0	1	1	2
Total	1030	401	301	1732

## Justification

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JIO Digital Life, Reliance JIO Infocomm Ltd, has decided to lay underground OFC duct & cable Within Row of existing road SH-185. For this purpose, JIO Digital life has taken clearance by the General Administration Dept. & Department of Information & Technology Mumbai. To provide network, there is need network of Towers connected by OFC duct & cable. As per survey done for laying underground the OFC duct & cable within Row of road SH.185, where the maximum area will be covered for network and easy maintain for long period. The Executive Engineer Public Works Division Savantwadi has sanction laying underground OFC duct & cable within the Row of existing road SH-185, from Savantwadi to Kumbharli up to NH 66.As same part of existing road passing through the Forest Land. And there need the prior permission from competent authority for laying underground OFC duct & cable within the Row of the existing road.

After detailed survey it is observed that, the existing road SH-185.Road is passing through forest land at village Kumbharli, Tal.-Savantwadi,, Dist.-Sindhudurg.

Forest and Non- Forest land required is as under

Name of Row/ Type of Road	Forest land required for OFC within ROW of existing road passing through forest					Non-forest land for OFC within ROW of road passing through non-forest land			Total Area
	Name of Village	G. no	L x w in Mt.	Area in ha.	Leg. Status	Gut. no	L. X W. in Mt.	Area in ha.	
Laying underground OFC duct & cable Within Row of existing road SH- 185, Savantwadi to Kumbharli up to NH-66	Kumbharli,	84 Com.no 150	1120 x 1	0.112	R. F.	Row Of	400 x 1	0.04	0.152
	Savantwadi, Majgaon	0	0	0		Existing Road SH-123	1880x1	0.188	0.188
	Total forest land required				0.112	N- F land required			0.228

The OFC cable will be laid by digging trench of size 1.00 mt. wide and depth below 1.40 mt. & in one trench two duct pipe will be laid, & out of which one duct pipe is use for OFC cable. after laying of pipe the trench will be refilled. In this work there is no need to cutting of trees for this work.

**Project authority submits that, cost of C.A. will be exempted in this proposal as the proposed laying of OFC cable within Row of existing road, road passing outside National Park & WL. Sanctuary area & no need to cutting of trees, which fulfil the conditions given in MoEF guideline no FC-11 /165/2019- FC, Dt. 27Th. July 2020.**

There is no alternative other than proposed alignment, & the required forest land for laying underground OFC cable is barest minimum. The laying underground OFC duct & cable within Row of existing road SH185. This work will be done as per F.C. guidelines issued by the MoEF. Hence proposed proposal is site specific and as per F.C.A guideline

Project Authority has not started work of laying OFC cable in forest area. User Agency will start work of laying underground OFC cable within ROW of existing road SH.185 after sanction from State Govt. Hence this proposal is submitted for sanction under F.C.A 1980

Place – Pune

Date – 16/11/2021

  
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