

**CHECK-LIST
OF
DOCUMENTS/INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR PROPOSAL FOR
DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND FOR NON FORESTRY USE UNDER
FOREST (CONSERVATION) ACT, 1980
FOR STAGE-I APPROVALS**

Sr. No.	Name of the Document (s)	Provided or Not	If not Provided Why?	Page Number
I	Documents/Information Required for All Proposals			
1	Check-list of the project proposal	Yes	-	1-6
2	Main application form from Part-I to V as prescribed in the Rules under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 (FCA) with all its columns duly filled up and signed by the competent authority with date, place and official seal. All the information in part-I of form -A including item-wise breakup of the forest area required must be given in the form itself by expanding the columns with complete address, email date, Place and seal, (if available)	Yes	-	7-19
3	Detailed note on the project for which diversion proposed. It must include the information regarding the number of villages and number of persons to be benefited from the project including employment generation.	-	-	20.
4	Map of the project site /forest area demanded clearly showing forest boundaries and adjoining areas with their land use in district colours in 1:50000 or any suitable scale on original Survey of India topo sheet. If the area is very small, in addition in above, an index map may be submitted showing forest boundaries and a location map on a larger scale with land use of the area required duly signed by DFO/CF concerned. Forest and non-forest areas to be shown in distinct colours.	Yes	-	21
5	Layout plan of the project site. In case of linear diversions of forest land, linear map or a diagrammatic map of the project site should be enclosed.	Yes	-	22-23A.
6	Statement showing the details of forest area involved i.e. Survey No. /Coupe No. /Compartment No., etc., and item-wise break up of forest area proposed for diversion duly signed by DFO (in the prescribed format).	Yes	-	24-25
7	Statement showing the details of non-forest area involved in the proposal (in the prescribed format).	Yes	-	26

8	Certificate from the Collector/Deputy Commissioner that no alternative suitable non-forest land is available for the project in question except in cases where the project is not proposed on the forest land and only right of way (ROW) is required.	-	-	-
9	Justification for locating the project in forest area to be submitted by the User Agency and countersigned by DFO.	- yes	-	27
10	Certificate for minimum use of forest land to be submitted by the user agency, giving details of the area and trees involved in the alternatives examined, and reasons for their rejection duly countersigned by DFO (in the prescribed format).	Yes	-	28
11	Undertaking by the User Agency to bear the cost of compensatory afforestation duly countersigned by the DFO (in the prescribed format).	Yes	-	29
12	Undertaking by the User Agency to pay the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land involved duly countersigned by DFO (in the prescribed format).	Yes	-	30-31
13	A certificate from the competent authority in the State that all the forest rights under the Forest Rights Act, 2006 have been settled in respect of the forest area proposed for diversion, wherever applicable.	-	-	-
14	Species wise and girth class wise enumeration list and abstract of trees (abstract to be given 'at the end of the list') standing on the forest area in question neatly typed or computerized and duly signed by the DFO. Wherever possible, English and botanical names of the vegetation should be mentioned	NA	-	-
15	Site inspection report of the forest area involved in the project proposal by the DEO concerned or higher level forest officer (in the prescribed format). However, if the area involved is more than five ha or number of trees marked for felling is 200 or more, it should be inspected by the CF.	Yes	-	32
16	Details of non-forest land/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation viz. Survey No./Compartment No./Khasra No./Khatoni No., Village, Tehsil, District, etc., along with map in appropriate scale showing the boundaries of adjoining forest areas with their use in distinct colours (in the prescribed format).	NA	-	-

17	Detailed scheme for compensatory afforestation on identified non-forest area/ degraded forest area at prevalent wage rates duly signed by the DFO and counter signed by the CF concerned. The CA scheme must include all the technical details, details of work schedule, total financial outlay and proposed monitoring mechanism (in the prescribed format).	NA	-	-
18	Certificate from the DFO, that non-forest land/forest land selected for compensatory afforestation is in a compact block and contiguous to forest area or is in closed proximity of forest area and suitable raising plantation and from the management and protection point of view, and is free from all sorts of encumbrances and encroachments (in the prescribed format) .	NA	-	-
19	In case of violation of the provisions of the FCA, 1980 or any other Forest Act, a detailed report on the violation to be submitted (in the prescribed format).	Yes	-	33
20	Certificate from the Chief Secretary regarding non-availability of non-forest land in the state for raising compensatory afforestation, wherever applicable	-	-	-
21	Approval of the proposal for which diversion of forest land is proposed by the competent authority of the concerned organizations.	-	-	-
22	In case of proposal which requires -entry /exit through Protected Forest strips along roads/railway lines/canals, the following information /documents must be given :-	-	-	-
	a) No Objection Certificate (NOG) of the land owning agency i.e. NHAI/PWD, Railways or Canal/ Irrigation Department	Yes	-	
	b) No Objection Certificate (NOC) in-principle approval for Change of Land Use from the Town and Country Planning/ local body any other competent authority.	Yes	-	
II	Documents/ Information Required for Proposals for Roads, Railway Lines, Canals and Transmission Lines			

23	<p><i>The following information/ documents must be given :-</i></p> <p>a) Length and width of road/railway line/ canals/ transmission line passing through forest and non-forest area.</p> <p>b) In case of expansion of the already existing road/railway line/canal, linear plan clearly showing in distinct colours the already existing width of the proposed road/railway line/canal to be expanded and the remaining width of the protect forest strip which would be left after expansion.</p> <p>c) In case of transmission line, the following details may also be given</p> <p>i) Number of towers to be erected both in forest and non-forest area.</p> <p>ii) Width of the right of way for transmission line.</p>	-	-	-
III	Documents/Information Required for Proposals for Hydro Electric Projects			
24	<p><i>The following information/ document must be given :-</i></p> <p>a) Component-wise Total Area Requirement</p> <p>b) Copy of Memorandum of Understanding</p> <p>c) Copy of Techno-economic Clearance</p> <p>d) Copy of Implementation Agreement</p> <p>e) NOC from Irrigation and Public Health Departments</p>	-	-	-
	<p>f) NOC from Fisheries Department</p> <p>g) Authorization to the applicant by Project the Authority</p>	-	-	-
IV	Documents /Information Required for Proposals for Mining			
25	<i>The following information/ documents must be given :-</i>	-	-	-
	I New Proposals	-	-	-
	a) Certificate from the competent authority like District Mining Officer /Geologist, regarding non- availability of the same mineral/ ore in a nearby non-forest area.	-	-	-
	b) Complete details of existing or proposed leases in that particular forest area with their present status should be indicated on Survey of India Topo- sheet in appropriate scale	-	-	-
	c) Estimated reserve of each mineral /ore in the forest area and non- forest area	-	-	-
	d) Total area demanded and extent of forest area involved in the proposed mining lease shown in distinct colours on relevant maps	-	-	-

	e) Proposed period of mining lease	-	-	-
	f) Minimum distance of the proposed site from a Wildlife Sanctuary or a National Park	-	-	-
	g) A copy of the mining plan duly approved by the State Mining Department enclosed	-	-	-
	h) Phased reclamation plan of the project area	-	-	-
	i) Copy of lease deed /agreement entered into with the district authorities	-	-	-
	j) The details of the Safety zone area for mining as per para 4.7 of the guidelines. An undertaking from project authority to bear the cost of fencing of safety zone area and afforestation over one and a half times of degraded forest area. The details of safety zone to be ascertained by the competent authority viz. Indian Bureau of Mines/ Deptt. of Geology and Mining of the state Government	-	-	-
	II) In case of Renewal of Mining Lease			
	c) A brief profile of the lessee/ company should be submitted giving details of their existing mining leases in the State with their capacity of production, the present level of average annual production, location of these pits and the status of reclamation of forest land that are exhausted of minerals;	-	-	-
	d) Complete details of existing/ proposed leases in that particular forest area with their present status should be indicated on the Survey of India Topo- sheet in appropriate scale,	-	-	-
	e) The State Government shall forward complete proposal to the MoEF at least six months prior to the expiry of the existing lease. In case of any delay, a details report elaborate the cause of delay shall be forwarded along with the proposal.	-	-	-
	f) A resolution of Gram Panchayat/ Local Body of the area endorsing the proposal that the project is in the interest of the people living in and around the proposed forest land.	-	-	-
V	Documents/Information Required for Proposals for Retail Outlets of Oil Companies			
26	<i>The following information/ documents must be given :-</i>	-	-	-
	a) Copy of the letter of intent issued by the oil Company.	-	-	-
	b) Site selection certificate as per Govt. of India guidelines. The DFO should certify the distance between two retail outlets on either side of the outlet in question) Layout plan	-	-	-

	showing dimensions of proposed approach road for entry and exit with clear area calculations.			
	d) The area calculations for the curves should invariably be given in the layout plan	-	-	-
	e) NOG from NHAI/PWD/Urban or local body	-	-	-
	f) NOC from Town and Country Planning/ local body	-	-	-
	g) Certificate by the User Agency to the effect that no High Tension line is passing above the proposed site duly countersigned by the DFO	-	-	-
	h) A Certificate by the User Agency to the effect that no LP Gas godown is located near the proposed site, duly countersigned by DFO	-	-	-
27	Status of clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986. Wherever it is required, a copy of the same/an undertaking (<i>along with a copy of the application</i>) that the User Agency has applied for environment clearance	-	-	-
28	NOC of the State Pollution Control Board for establishment of the project, wherever required	-	-	-
29	For the proposals involving diversion of forest land where construction of buildings is proposed, the built-up area and raw materials to be used should be clearly mentioned	Yes	-	-
30	Detailed scheme for rehabilitation of the project affected persons, wherever required	-	-	-
31	Detailed Catchment Area Treatment Plan, wherever required. The CAT Plan should be prepared on the basis of actual survey of area and its classification in various categories requiring different engineering/ afforestation and other treatments in a phased manner.	-	-	-
32	Detailed Reclamation Plan, wherever required. It should be realistic, exhaustive and complete in all respects alongwith relevant maps in distinct colours. It should also include the details of back fillings, afforestation and execution of such works, wherever required.	-	-	-
33	Cost benefit analysis as per the guidelines issued under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in prescribed format, wherever required.	-	-	-
34	Any other information /documents attached. Please specify	-	-	34-41.

Date:- 9-8-2021
Place:-Ambala

J. Kaur
Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Ambala Forest Division
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PART - II

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)

7.	Location of the project / Scheme:	Diversion of 0.07259 (Instead of 0.1473) Ha. of Forest Land for laying OFC of JIO Digital Fiber Pvt. Ltd. Along Jagadhri Ambala Road km 48-50 L/S (Opposite Anaj Mandi Gate to Manav Chowk L/S, Manav Chowk to Udam Nagar(Ambala Baroula Road R/S), Parrys Hotel to Cencil Convent Road R/S, Loomba Hospital to Aadharsh Scientific Shop R/S and Shri Ganesh Store to Civil Hospital Gate R/S) Tehsil & Distt. Ambala, Haryana.
(i)	State / Union Territory	Haryana State
(ii)	District	Ambala
(iii)	Forest Division	Ambala Territorial Division
(iv)	Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in ha.)	0.07259 ha.
(v)	Legal status of forest	Protected Forest
(vi)	Density of vegetation	As Per Site
(vii)	Species-wise (scientific names) and diameter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation / hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed.)	No
(viii)	Brief note on vulnerability of the area to erosion	Benefit of the local people
(ix)	Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest.	NA
(x)	Whether forms part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc. (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed).	No
(xi)	Whether any rare/ endangered / unique species of flora and fauna found in the area – if so details thereof.	Nil

(xii)	Whether any protected archaeological / heritage site / defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority.	Nil
8.	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined.	Diversion of 0.07259 (Instead of 0.1473) Ha. of Forest Land for laying OFC of JIO Digital Fiber Pvt. Ltd. Along Jagadhri Ambala Road km 48-50 L/S (Opposite Anaj Mandi Gate to Manav Chowk L/S, Manav Chowk to Udam Nagar(Ambala Baroula Road R/S), Parrys Hotel to Cencil Convent Road R/S, Loomba Hospital to Aadharsh Scientific Shop R/S and Shri Ganesh Store to Civil Hospital Gate R/S) Tehsil & Distt. Ambala, Haryana.
9.	Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If Yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress.	No
10.	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme:	NA
(i)	Details of non forest area / degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch.	NA
(ii)	Map showing non-forest / degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries.	NA
(iii)	Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted, implementing agency, time schedule, cost structure, etc.	NA
(iv)	Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme	NA
(v)	Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view. (To be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests).	No
11.	Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col. 7 (xi, xii), 8 and 9 above.	Attached
12.	Division / District profile:	Ambala Division
(i)	Geographical area of the district	156701 ha.

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(ii)	Forest area of the district	5294.40 ha.
(iii)	Total forest area diverted Since 1980 with number of cases	581.32ha(297 Cases).
(iv)	Progress of compensatory afforestation as on (date)	31.03.2021
(a)	Forest Land	649.13 ha.
(b)	Non-Forest land	Nil
13	Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons.	Project is recommended for acceptance.

Date:- 9-8-2021
Place:-Ambala

[Signature]
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(to be filled by the concerned Conservator of Forest)

14. Whether site where the forest land involved is located has been inspected by concerned Conservator of Forest (Yes/no). If yes, the date of inspection and observations made in form of inspection note to be enclosed.
15. Whether the concerned Conservator of Forest agrees with the information given in Part-B and the recommendations of Dy. Conservator of Forests.
16. Specific recommendations of concerned Conservator of Forest for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.

Date:

Place:

Signature

Name

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PART-IV

(to be filled by the Nodel Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forest or Head of Forest Department)

17. Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the state forest department for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with remarks.
(While giving opinion the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Dy. Conservator of Forests should be categorically received and critically Commented upon)

Date:

Place:

Signature

Name

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PART-V

(To be filled in by the Secretary in charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

18. Recommendation of the State Government
(Adverse comments made by any officer of authority in part-B or part C or Part D above should be specifically commented upon)

Date:

Place:

Signature

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STATEMENT SHOWING DETAILS OF FOREST AREA PROPOSED FOR DIVERSION

Sr. No.	District	Division	Range/ Tehsil/ Village	Khasra/Survey or Compartment Number or Km. Stone	Forest Area proposed for Diversion (Ha.)	Legal status of Forest Area	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Ambala	Ambala	Ambala	Diversion of 0.07259 (Instead of 0.1473) Ha. of Forest Land for laying OFC of JIO Digital Fiber Pvt. Ltd. Along Jagadhri Ambala Road km 48-50 L/S (Opposite Anaj Mandi Gate to Manav Chowk L/S, Manav Chowk to Udam Nagar(Ambala Baroula Road R/S), Parrys Hotel to Cencil Convent Road R/S, Loomba Hospital to Aadharsh Scientific Shop R/S and Shri Ganesh Store to Civil Hospital Gate R/S) Tehsil & Distt. Ambala, Haryana.	0.07259 Ha.	P.F.	-

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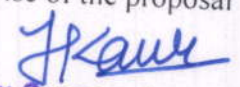
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SITE INSPECTION REPORT NOT BELOW THE RANK OF DCF/DFO
(For the Forest land to be diverted under FCA)

- A proposal has been received by this office from **Jio Digital Fibre Private Ltd. Gurugram** for diversion (under FCA-1980) **0.1473ha.** of forest land for non-forestry purpose. The project envisages the use of forest land **OFC Along Jagadhri Ambala Road km 48-50 L/S (Opposite Anaj Mandi Gate to Manav Chowk L/S, Manav Chowk to Udam Nagar(Ambala Baroula Road R/S), Parrys Hotel to Cencil Convent Road R/S, Loomba Hospital to Aadharsh Scientific Shop R/S and Shri Ganesh Store to Civil Hospital Gate R/S) Distt. Ambala.** The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by me on dt. **06-8-2021.....**
2. On inspection of the site, it is found that the land required by the user agency is a Forest area measuring **0.07259ha.**
 3. The requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in Col. 2 of part-I is unavailable and is barest minimum required for the project.
 4. Whether any rare/endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in the area. If so, the details thereof.
 5. Whether any protected archaeological / heritage site/defense establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority.
 6. (a) **(✓) The user agency has not violated the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and no work has been started without proper sanction.**
(b) It has been found that the user agency has violated the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 Indian Forest Act, 1927/any other Forest Act. A detailed report as per para 1.9 of Chapter 1, Part C of Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is attached.

(Note: Whichever of the above is applicable should be shown in bold letters)
Specific recommendation for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal

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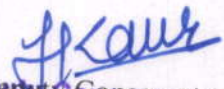
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DETAILED REPORT ON VIOLATION OF PROVISIONS OF FOREST ACTS

- a) The extent (in *hectare*) of forest land broken/encroached and the number of trees illicitly felled. **NIL**
- b) The name and designations of the officials/persons who are prima-facie responsible for the contravention of the provisions of the Act, supported by requisite documents. **NIL**
- c) In case, it is not possible to fix the responsibility for commission/omission of any action leading to violation of the provisions of the Act, full explanation with relevant supporting documents to be appended. **NIL**
- d) Details of action taken by the DFO against illicit felling/encroachment/illegal mining, etc., under the provisions of IFA-1927/PLPA-1900/ other State Forest Acts, etc. **NIL**

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