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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Wildlife Division)

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To
The Special Chief Secretary,
Forest Department,
Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Telangana Secretariat,
Hyderabad, Telangana - 500022.

Sub: Proposal for use of 3.90 Ha (3.799 ha in Asifabad division and 0.101 ha in Jannaram Division) of land from buffer zone of Kawal Tiger Reserve for construction of BT road from Gundala to Mangi from km 0/0 to 11/250 of Tiryani Mandal, Ryali RF of Asifabad and Jannaram Division of KB Asifabad and Mancherial district respectively under LWE (RCPLWE) in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division, Asifabad, Telangana-FP/TG/ROAD/119548/2021.

Sir,

Reference is invited to the subject mentioned above. The above proposal was discussed in the 73rd Meeting of Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 17th July, 2023 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

2. After discussion, the Standing Committee decided to approve the proposal with the following conditions:

1. A minimum of two animal underpasses per km length of the road with a minimum of 30.00 m width and 3.00 m height shall be incorporated in animal passage plan to be implemented by the User Agency.
2. The User Agency as a part of the wild animal passage plan shall construct underpasses (14) No. of under passes in Asifabad Division at the locations indicated in the Animal Passage Plan prepared by the Forest Divisional Officer/District Forest Officer concerned.
3. The underpasses shall have bell-mouth opening with splayed wing walls at both ends with grasses, herbs and shrubs to facilitate movement of wild animals.
4. Chain link fencing shall be installed for a length of 100 m on either side of the underpasses on either side of the road which shall be periodically maintained by the User Agency.
5. The User Agency shall install speed control devices with proper caution sign boards at animal crossing points identified by the FDO.
6. The following mitigation plan as recommended by CCF/FDPT, KTR is approved for Rs.103.00 lakhs.

Sl. No	Name of the item	Unit Cost	Qty.	Amt.
1	Engaging animal trackers (5 No. for 3	0.09 per	5 No	16.20

	years @ 9.000 per month per person)	month per person		
2	Erection of check gates to control wildlife entering to road along with chain link fencing for 50 m on either side of the check gate to curb movement of domestic animals and trespassers	0.45 each	5 No	2.25
3	Integrated camping site-Creation of water sources by constructing major percolation tank (cost Rs.5.00 lakh) along with drilling and installation of two solar powered bore wells (Cost Rs.3.50 lakh each) to fill the pumps along with a watch tower cum camping site	20.00	2 Nos	40.00
4	Management of Grasslands by uprooting obnoxious weeds and sowing locally collected grass seeds (including maintenance for 3 years)	0.40	40 Ha	16.00
5	Raising of fodder plots with chain link fencing	2.50 per ha	2 ha	5.00
6	Procurement of camera traps	0.25 per ha	4 ha	1.00
7	Development of approach path each to the Integrated camping facility	LS	LS	1.00
8	Procurement of equipment like GPS, binoculars etc., to monitor wildlife	LS	LS	1.00
9	Installation of large hoardings	1.00 each	2 No	2.00
10	Conducting awareness programmes	0.25 each	4 No	1.00
11	Creation of fire lines and maintenance for 3 years	0.25 per km	20 km	5.00
12	Engaging fire watchers (5 No. for 3 years @9,000 per month per person for five months in an year)	0.09 per month per person	5 No	6.75
13	Mitigation Human animal conflict issues	LS	LS	2.00
14	Administrative cost & unforeseen expenditure	As per actual	LS	1.80
	Total			101.00
	Jannaram Division			
15	Construction of percolation tank	1.00 each	1 No	1.00
16	Procurement of camera traps	0.25 each	2 No	0.50
17	Administrative Cost	LS	LS	0.50
	Total			2.00
	Grand Total			103.00

7. The work shall be carried out only between 9.00 AM to 4.00 PM without disturbing/damaging the flora and fauna of the area.
 8. No labour camp shall be set up during the execution of work.
 9. Care shall be taken to ensure no incidents of fire occur in the forest area. No explosives to be used.
 10. There shall be no violation of Forest Act, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 or Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 during the execution of work. If any committed by the User Agency has to be resolved immediately.
 11. Any other condition specified by the circle head/DFO/FDO shall be complied with.
 12. The mitigation amount of Rs.103.00 lakh shall be deposited in the BIOSOT account of Chief Wild Life Warden in Union Bank, Secretariat Branch, and Hyderabad bearing A/C No.110310100030284, IFSC Code UBIN0811033.
 13. No existing water passage should be blocked by construction activities.
 14. Construction materials (including top soil) should be procured from outside the forest area. The debris should be appropriately dumped outside the forest by User Agency taking due care of air/dust pollution.
 15. The upgraded BT road should be provided with speed breakers and/or rumble strips at regular intervals. User Agency should place wildlife crossing signage boards at appropriate places in consultation with Forest Department.
 16. CWLW, Telangana should have appropriate mechanism in place for compliance of the conditions laid in this report during various phases of project implementation.
 17. The annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions should be submitted by the project proponent to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to the Government of India.
3. The minutes of the meeting have been posted online in the "PARIVESH" portal of this Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

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