Full Title of Project:- Laying of Optical Fibre Cable from Patnitop to Sanasar in Batote Forest Range of Batote Forest Division, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

Proposal No.:-

FP/JK/OFC/46953/2020

SITE INSPECTION REPORT.

(Highlighting facts about proposal as required under column-11 of Part-II)

- 1. A proposal has been received by this office from VANDHYA TELELINKS Limited Jammu for diversion of Forest land under Forest (Conservation) Act., 1980 for non-forestry purpose. The project envisages diversion of 0.60 Hectare of the forest land at Patnitop and Sanasar in the favour of VINDHYA TELELINKS Limited Jammu for laying of Optical Fibre Cable from Patnitop to Sanasar in Batote Forest Range of Batote Forest Division in Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir. The site inspection of the land involved in the proposal has been done by the undersigned on 01.09.2020.
- 2. On inspection of the site, it is found that land required by the user agency is Forest Land measuring 0.60 Hectare.
- 3. The requirement of the land proposed by the user agency in Col-2 Part-I is unavoidable and bare minimum required for the project.
- 4. Rare / endangered/ unique species of flora and fauna found in the area, are (Leopard(*Panthera Pardus*), Jungle Cat(*Felis chaus*), Black Bear(*Ursus Americanus*) & porcupine etc exists in the area. The said proposal may not effect their survival.
- 5. No protected / heritage site / defence establishment etc. is located in the area.
- 6. No violation of the Act has been carried out by the User Agency as the work for this proposal is yet to be started which shall be allowed only after clearance of the proposal by competent Authority.

Specific Recommendation:-

The proposal may be accepted as per guidelines of Govt. of India as the forest land proposed for diversion is essentially required for laying of Optical Fibre Cable from Patnitop to Sanasar in Batote Forest Division for development and improvement of communication network.



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