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Government of India

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

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Date: 7th July, 2023

To,

The Principal Secretary,
Forest Department,
Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad,
Hyderabad 500004.

Sub: Proposal for use of 3.4692 ha of forest land from Kawal Tiger Reserve, Tiger corridor and ESZ for laying of OFC for execution of T-Fiber Project in Asifabad division of Komarambheem Asifabad District in favour of Telangana Fiber Grid Corporation Limited-FP/TG/OFC/145010/2021.

Sir,

Reference is invited to the subject mentioned above. The above proposal was discussed in the 72nd (part) Meeting of Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 12th June, 2023 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

2. After discussion, the Standing Committee decided to recommend the proposal falling with the tiger reserve and tiger corridor over an area of 1.6278 ha subject to the following conditions:

1. The user agency will provide Rs.28.00 lakh for the following activities as part of Wildlife mitigation measures:

(Rs.in lakh)				
Sl. No	Name of the item	Unit Cost	Qty	Amt.
1.	Management of Grasslands by uprooting obnoxious weeds and sowing locally collected grass seeds (including maintenance for 3 years)	0.40 per ha	10 ha	4.00
2.	Construction of Percolation tank	1.00 each	2 No.	2.00

3.	Engaging Animal trackers for monitoring tiger movement for 2 years	0.09 each per month	3 Nos	6.48
4.	Procurement of cameras traps for wildlife monitoring	0.25 each	20 Nos.	5.00
5.	Procurement of fire fighting equipments	LS	LS	2.00
6.	Installation of large hoardings	1.00 each	3 No	3.00
7.	Conducting awareness programmes	0.25 each	4 No.	1.00
8.	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 ha	2 Nos	0.90
9.	Procurement of wireless network system	LS	LS	2.00
10.	Administrative cost & unforeseen expenditure	As per actuals	LS	1.62
	Total			28.00


- II. The mitigation amount of Rs.28.00 lakh shall be deposited in the BIOSOT account of Chief Wild Life Warden in Union Bank, Secretariat Branch, Hyderabad bearing A/c No.110310100030284, IFSC code UBIN0811033.
- III. The proposed works shall be carried out manually engaging local work force without disturbing or damaging Flora, Fauna or habitat of Wildlife.
- IV. The trench excavated for laying OFC shall be covered immediately and the topsoil consolidated to prevent erosion on day to day basis.
- V. Work shall be carried out only from 8.00 am to 5.00 pm.
- VI. The material for carrying out the proposed works shall be kept outside the Tiger Reserve. As and when required they should be carried to the site during execution only.
- VII. No labour camp should be established inside the Tiger Reserve during the execution of the work.
- VIII. The debris formed due to the execution of the works shall be taken away from the Tiger Reserve on day-to-day basis.
- IX. The User Agency shall construct Masonry pillars to demarcate the proposed project area at every 25-meter interval at their own cost.
- X. No construction material should be procured from within the forest. The OFC should be covered with excavated materials after the construction.

Construction debris should be disposed of away from the forest by the cost of the user agency.

- XI. The construction work should be done in between sunrise and sunset and no labour camp should be allowed inside the forested areas at nights. The user agency shall ensure that no labour trespasses inside the forests apart from the construction site.
- XII. No tree shall be felled during laying of underground OFC.
- XIII. 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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