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Sub.:- Diversion of 0.0351 ha. of Forest land for laying of 10" dia steel pipeline to set up Natural Gas distribution network in Dahanu Taluka & surrounding area in Palghar district.

No.: Desk-17/NC/II/ID-12591/(62)/¹⁸⁵⁷/2018-19
Nagpur – 440 001, Dated: 08/01/2019

To,

The Secretary (Forests),
Revenue and Forests Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai.

- Ref:-** 1) Government of Maharashtra, Revenue & Forest Department order No FLD-12A18/CR No.148/F-10, dated 15/05/2018.
- 2) CCF (T), Thane office letter No. Desk-10/FC/C.R.55/17-18/O.No.648/2018-19, Dt. 02/11/2018.

Government of Maharashtra has agreed in-principle to approve the diversion of 0.0351 ha. Forest land for laying of 10" dia steel pipeline to set up Natural Gas distribution network in Dahanu Taluka & surrounding area in Palghar district vide order dated 15/05/2018 under reference (1) , under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to fulfillment of the conditions stated in the letter under reference. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane submitted the compliance report vide letter dated 02/11/2018 under reference (2) . The compliance of the conditions is furnished as under :-

Sr. no	Quarry	Compliance
1.	The legal status of the land will remain unchanged.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as Annexure-1
2.	Compensatory Afforestation will be raised at the cost of the user agency on 1.00 ha. Degraded forest land at Compartment No. 239 of Village Bharad, Tal. Dahanu, Dist. Palghar.	The user Agency has been deposited Rs. 9,14,499/- in CAMPA Account through RTGS vide challan No 222052016468 dated 27/07/2018, which included Rs. 5,46,176/- towards the cost of Compensatory afforestation. On line payment history submitted by User Agency is enclosed as Annexure 2 & 3 . Remittance Proforma is enclosed as Annexure 3A

3.	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the project,	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as Annexure-4
4.	The User Agency will defray the cost of Net Present Value of 0.0351 Ha. Of forest land as per latest guidelines of Government of India.	The user Agency has been deposited Rs. 9,14,499/- in CAMPA Account through RTGS vide challan No 222052016468 dated 27/07/2018, which included Rs. 25,623/- towards the cost of Net Present Value. On line payment history submitted by User Agency is enclosed as Annexure 2 & 3 Remittance Proforma is enclosed as Annexure 3A
5.	The User Agency will be defray the additional/revised cost of Net Present Value as per latest guidelines of Government of India.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as Annexure-5
6.	The user agency will pay cost of survey demarcation and erection of permanent pillars on the Compensatory Afforestation land.	The user Agency has been deposited Rs. 9,14,499/- in CAMPA Account through RTGS vide challan No 222052016468 dated 27/07/2018, which included 1) Rs.17,200/- towards the cost of Erection of permanent pillars and 2) Rs. 3,25,500/- towards the cost of Providing & erecting barbed wire fencing for C.A. Land On line payment history submitted by User Agency is enclosed as Annexure 2 & 3 Remittance Proforma is enclosed as Annexure 3A
7.	The user agency shall obtain the permission of Executive Engineer, PWD, Palghar for laying of pipeline within Road ROW.	User Agency has not submitted the permission of Executive Engineer, PWD, Palghar for laying of pipeline within Road ROW. However demand letter dated 25/01/2017 issued by Executive Engineer, PWD, Palghar has been submitted by user agency is enclosed as Annexure-6
8.	The user agency will obtain the Environment Clearance from competent authority, if required,	The user agency has mentioned, as per EIA notification 14/09/2006 Environment Clearance does not required.
9.	The Natural Gas Pipeline will be laid well below as per the norms the ground level all along its length through forest and adequate safety measures to be adopted.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as Annexure-7
10.	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for the execution of the project work.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as Annexure-8
11.	It will be the responsibility of the user agency to ensure that the laborers, staffs engaged in construction activity do not damages nearby forest flora and fauna.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as Annexure-9
12.	Provision of all relevant Acts, Rules made there under and guidelines applicable to the project shall have to be strictly	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as Annexure-10

	followed.	
13.	This In-principal approval is also subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the Government of India's letter referred to here-in-above is binding on user agency.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as <u>Annexure-11</u>
14.	All the conditions stipulated by the Forest Department shall be binding on the user agency.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as <u>Annexure-12</u>
15.	No work should be started on the proposed forest land without prior permission of the Chief conservator of Forest (T), Thane.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as <u>Annexure-13</u>
16.	Any other condition which Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forests Force) Maharashtra State, Nagpur may impose.	The user agency has submitted an undertaking is enclosed as <u>Annexure-14.</u>
17.	The final approval shall be granted by the State Government after fulfillment of the above conditions by the user agency. The actual diversion of forest land shall be effected thereafter by the Chief Conservator of Forest (T), Thane.	Noted for compliance

In view of the above facts, it is requested that Government of Maharashtra may kindly issue formal approval & diversion order under section – 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as early as possible.

Encls : As above

Draft Approved by
Addl.P.C.C.F.& N.O.M. S.Nagpur

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