## **JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT ON FOREST LAND.**

Gujarat Government had recently announced the 'Kisan Suryodaya Yojana' to provide daytime power supply for irrigation. Under this scheme, farmers will be able to avail power supply from 5 AM to 9 PM.

'Kisan Suryoday Yojana' is the Top Priority project for the Government. To fulfill the aim of this project, we need to expand our transmission line network in Kutch district of Gujarat state.

Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Limited has proposed 66 KV S/C Underground Power Cable (7.747 Km) (3+1) 630 Sq mm of S/C from Existing 220 KV Nanikhakhar S/S to 66 KV Koday SS under under "Kisan Suryoday Yojana".

We will laying 7.747 Km Underground Power Cable parallel/cross the declared road side protected forest road. Underground cable line is laid at a depth of 1.5 mtr from ground level on verge of road boundary with the width of 700 mm. For this project our power cable is passing parallel/cross to 2 road side protected forest road 1) Mundra-Mandvi road (Bidada to Koday Road,Parallel), 2) Bhuj-Mandvi Road (Nr. Koday char rasta, Parallel/Cross). Underground cable line is always laying on verge of road boundary for easy maintenance and safety of cable. For this project we will use 0.5423 Ha Road side protected forest land and we are giving under taking that, Road side protected area used for this project is barest minimum.

## **Authorized Signatory**

Executive Engineer (Const)