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Dated 14.07.2015

To,

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government of Andhra Pradesh,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Andhra Pradesh. Secretariat,
Hyderabad- 500 022.

Subject: Diversion of 7.305 ha of forest land for laying of 400 KV Quad Moose Double Circuit line from Jammalamadugu to Narnoor (Kurnool) passing through Giddalur CA block and Bethamcherla RF of Kurnool Forest Division in favour of Executive Engineer, 400 KV Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letters No.3832/Section. II)/2015 dated 01.07.2015 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest area in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After recommendation of the REC and careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am hereby directed to convey the Central Government's in-principle (*Stage-I*) approval under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of 7.305 ha of forest land for laying of 400 KV Quad Moose Double Circuit line from Jammalamadugu to Narnoor (Kurnool) passing through Giddalur CA block and Bethamcherla RF of Kurnool Forest Division in favour of Executive Engineer, 400 KV Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet height cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of User Agency before stage II approval.

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3. The Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department over 14.65 ha identified degraded forest land in in compt.no.54 in Adoni range at the cost of user agency.
4. Revised CA Scheme which includes cost towards raising plantation and maintenance for 7 to 10 years, fencing, watch & ward etc shall be furnished along with the compliance report and State Government of Andhra Pradesh shall collect revised cost towards CA from the user agency.
5. Cost of raising plantation of dwarf species preferably medicinal plants in the Right of Way under the transmission line shall be realized from the User Agency.
6. The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 7.305 ha. from User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995.
7. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
8. The funds received from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value under this project shall be deposited either in SB Account No.SB01025198- CAF Andhra Pradesh, Corporation Bank, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003 (RTGS/IFSC No.CORP0000371) or in SB A/c No.344902010105 407- ANDHRA PRADESH CAMPA, Union Bank of India, Sundar Nagar, New Delhi-110003 (RTGS/IFSC No.UBIN0534498). The details of deposition of funds, *inter-alia* the DD Numbers & date, Amount, the Bank on which drawn and the date of deposition in the designated Bank shall also be furnished.
9. User Agency shall bear the cost every year for special protection of the forest blocks through which the line is passing, as per the assessment of DFO, Kurnool Division. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
10. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to Ministry's guidelines F.No 7-25/2012-FC dated 5th May, 2014 and provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulation and Guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to the transmission line projects.



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11. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal and total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 7.305 ha and the width of right of way shall not exceed 46 meters. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.

12. Any other condition that the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area shall be complied by the user agency.

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. Transfer of forest land to User Agency shall not be effected prior to the issue of final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years. In the event of noncompliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval shall automatically stand revoked after 5 years.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr.K.Ganesh Kumar)

Deputy Conservator of Forests (Central)

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1. The Director General of Forests & Special Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi - 110 003.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
3. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
4. The Director, RO(HQ) Division, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi - 110 003.
5. The Executive Engineer, Construction Division, AP TRANSCO, Kadapa.
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