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To,

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Subject: Re-diversion of forest land to an extent of 0.5769 ha in various RFs of Amangal and Shamshabad forest divisions under Rangareddy District - for laying of Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) Pipeline along with Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) for Hassan Cherlapali LPG Pipeline Project (HCPL) - in favour of M/s.Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited.- Reg

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter No. 2898/For.I(1)/2021 dated 28.08.2021 and online proposal No. FP/TG/Others/43424/2019 seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal I am to convey Central Government's in-principle **(Stage-I)** approval under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for re-diversion of forest land to an extent of 0.5769 ha in various RFs of Amangal and Shamshabad forest divisions under Rangareddy District - for laying of Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) Pipeline along with Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) for Hassan Cherlapali LPG Pipeline Project (HCPL) - in favour of M/s.Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an appropriate interval at the cost of User Agency;

- (iii) **No tree shall be cutting and all enumerated trees shall be translocated to nearby degraded forest area and ensure proper maintenance of the same in consultation with the DFO concerned, at the cost of the Project;**
- (iv) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring **0.5769 ha** from the 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;
- (v) 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;
- (vi) All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);
- (vii) The muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck/debris will be disposed off in the forest areas;
- (viii) **Width of the trench proposed for laying of LPG pipeline & OFC shall not exceed 2 mtrs. Depth of the trench shall be as per the standard specification for laying of such LPG pipeline and the User Agency shall display signage / Caution boards at appropriate places for safety and awareness;**
- (ix) **The User Agency shall monitor the LPG pipeline at regular interval to ensure safety and to avoid any accident. The User Agency shall submit such monitoring reports to the DFO concerned;**
- (x) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xi) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
- (xii) Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby flora & fauna;



- (xiii) The total forest area to be utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.5769** ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
- (xiv) User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;
- (xv) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer, IRO, Hyderabad 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;
- (xvi) Compliance report on the above conditions shall be processed and submitted through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);
- (xvii) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as provisions of rules / guidelines made under FCA, 1980.

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This in-principle approval shall be valid for a period of 5 years. In the event of non compliance of the above conditions, this in-principle approval will be revoked as per the provisions of rules / guidelines made under FCA, 1980.

Yours faithfully,



(N.S.Murali)

Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department / Nodal Officer (FCA), Govt. of Telangana Aranya Bhavan, Saifabad, Hyderabad, PIN- 500 004.
2. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Module No. 202, Second Floor, NSIC - EMDBP Building, Kamala Nagar, ECIL Post, Hyderabad-Telangana- 500062.
3. Guard file.



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