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No. Desk-6(3)/20/Land/ 2370 /2022-23

Date 11 / 11 / 2022

To,

Sr. Manager (S & LR),  
GAIL (India) Limited,  
8<sup>th</sup> Floor, GAIL Jubilee Tower,  
B-35 & 36, Sector-1,  
Noida – 201 301 (U.P.)

**Subject:-** Re-Diversion of 18.1150 ha. forest land for laying of Natural Gas Pipeline from Mumbai to Nagpur through Thane, Nashik, Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Jalna, Buldhana, Washim, Amravati, Wardha & Nagpur Districts in the State of Maharashtra...  
Proposal No. : FP/MH/Pipeline/139865/2021

**Ref.:-** 1) MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur office letter F.No. FC-II/MH-192/2022-NGP/10561, dated 04/11/2022  
2) APCCF & Nodal Officer, M.S. Nagpur office letter no. D-17/Nodal/Thane/D-13050(78)/1968/22-23, dated 07/11/2022  
3) CCF (T) Thane office letter no. D-10/FC/CR-13/22-23/401/22-23, dated 09/11/2022

Please refer to the letter No. FC-II/MH-192/2022-NGP/10561, dated 04/11/2022 from MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur under which, In-Principle approval for Re-Diversion of 18.1150 ha. forest land for laying of Natural Gas Pipeline from Mumbai to Nagpur through Thane, Nashik, Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Jalna, Buldhana, Washim, Amravati, Wardha & Nagpur Districts in the State of Maharashtra in your favour has been accorded.

While approving the proposal In-principle, the MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur has laid down some conditions, which are to be fulfilled by you as User Agency.

Unless the conditions are fulfilled, the proposal in question will not be considered for its final approval.

The point-wise compliance of conditions imposed by MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur to be done is as under:-

Sr No.	Condition laid down	Action to be taken by the user agency to fulfill the same
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i.	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.

ii.	<b>NPV</b>																																																	
a.	<p>The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 18.115 ha. forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30/10/2002, 01/08/2003, 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide letters No. 5-1/1998-FC (Pt.II) dated 18/09/2003, as well as letter No. 5-2/2006-FC dated 03/10/2006 and 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 and letter no. 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06/01/2022 in this regard;</p>	<p>The User Agency has to deposit the total amount of <b>Rs. 1,99,70,067/-</b> (in words Rupees One Crore Ninety Nine Lakh Seventy Thousan and Sixty Seven only) of Net Present Value for the 18.115 ha. forest area to be diverted under this proposal. The amount of NPV is calculated as per the NPV Certificates submitted by all the 10 DCFs coming under the project. The details are as below.</p> <table><tr><th>Sr. No.</th><th>Division</th><th>Area in ha.</th><th>Amount in Rs.</th></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Thane</td><td>1.2728</td><td>1421590</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>Shahapur</td><td>9.1987</td><td>10274028</td></tr><tr><td>3.</td><td>West Nashik</td><td>0.6079</td><td>582234</td></tr><tr><td>4.</td><td>Ahmednagar</td><td>0.1224</td><td>117232</td></tr><tr><td>5.</td><td>Aurangabad</td><td>0.9477</td><td>907688</td></tr><tr><td>6.</td><td>Buldana</td><td>0.6329</td><td>606179</td></tr><tr><td>7.</td><td>Washim</td><td>3.5215</td><td>4326480</td></tr><tr><td>8.</td><td>Amravati</td><td>0.1387</td><td>132845</td></tr><tr><td>9.</td><td>Wardha</td><td>0.9886</td><td>946861</td></tr><tr><td>10.</td><td>Nagpur</td><td>0.6838</td><td>654930</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2"><b>TOTAL</b></td><td><b>18.115</b></td><td><b>19970067</b></td></tr></table>	Sr. No.	Division	Area in ha.	Amount in Rs.	1.	Thane	1.2728	1421590	2.	Shahapur	9.1987	10274028	3.	West Nashik	0.6079	582234	4.	Ahmednagar	0.1224	117232	5.	Aurangabad	0.9477	907688	6.	Buldana	0.6329	606179	7.	Washim	3.5215	4326480	8.	Amravati	0.1387	132845	9.	Wardha	0.9886	946861	10.	Nagpur	0.6838	654930	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>18.115</b>	<b>19970067</b>
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b.	<p>Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.</p>	<p>The User Agency has to submit an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.</p>																																																
iii.	<p>User Agency shall also abide with the all the conditions as mentioned under the primary Forest Clearance of entire 18.115 ha. forest land.</p>	<p>The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.</p>																																																
iv.	<p>User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with</p>	<p>The User Agency has to deposit the amount required for tree felling to the concerned DCF i.e. DCF Thane and DCF Buldana. And submit the copy of Challan/RTGS Acknowledgement of the payment deposited with the compliance</p>																																																



	the State Forest Department.	report.
v.	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal.	The User Agency has to deposit the total amount of Rs. 1,99,70,067/- (in words Rupees One Crore Ninety Nine Lakh Seventy Thousan and Sixty Seven only) to CAMPA fund only through <i>e-portal</i> ( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in">https://parivesh.nic.in</a> ) And submit the copy of Challan/RTGS Acknowledgement of the payment deposited with the compliance report.
vi.	The State Government, Maharashtra/ Nodal Officer (FCA), Maharashtra shall ensure settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (No. 2 of 2007) before issuing an order for handing over of forest land to the User Agency as per Rule 9(6) (b) (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022 dated 28/06/2022, if same has not been done by the primary User Agency.	This proposal is rediversion proposal hence this certificate is not required.
vii.	The pipeline shall be laid down at least 1.5 meter below the ground and after laying down of pipeline the ground will be leveled.	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
viii.	User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
ix.	To improve the Forest/ Tree cover and to reduce pollution, as mandated in National Forest Policy, 1988 and Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986 respectively, the User Agency with involvement of Joint Forest Management Committees (JMFCs) and in consultation with local DCF shall raise at least 25,000 seedlings of forestry species along with bamboo, fruit bearing, medicinal, ornamental and indigenous/ local for 10 years. At least 50% of seedlings shall be planted by User Agency in the vicinity of project area and remaining 50% of seedlings shall be distributed among villagers as per choice of villagers. The concerned JFMCs	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking and a detailed plan in this regard.

	shall maintain record of plantation/ seedling distribution to villagers.	
x.	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xi.	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xii.	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xiii.	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xiv.	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xv.	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xvi.	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xvii.	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xviii.	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F.No. 11-42/2017-FC dt. 29/01/2018;	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.
xix.	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change	The User Agency has to submit an undertaking in this regard.

	may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife;	
xx.	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal ( <a href="https://Parivesh.nic.in/">https://Parivesh.nic.in/</a> );	The User Agency has to upload the compliance report on e-portal ( <a href="https://Parivesh.nic.in/">https://Parivesh.nic.in/</a> ).

It is, therefore, requested to comply the above conditions at the earliest so as to enable this office to process the proposal further for obtaining formal approval from GOI. It is also informed to you that unless and until the formal approval order is issued by the Central Government, the forest land will not be handed over and the works under the said project should not be started in the forest area, otherwise it will be treated as violation of the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the necessary action will be taken as per the guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

  
(Sachin Repal)

Deputy Conservator of Forests  
Shahapur Forest Division, Shahapur

Copy submitted to the Additional Chief Conservator of Forest and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur for information.

Copy submitted to the Chief Conservator of Forest (T) Thane for information.

Copy forwarded to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane, West Nashik, Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Buldana, Washim, Amravati, Wardha and Nagpur for information and necessary action please.

2.00 Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane and Buldana is requested to send the compliance report of the condition no. (iv) at the earliest.

  
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### Demand Note

(See rule 8(1)(b) of the Forest (Conservation) Amendment Rules, 2014)

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As per the reference cited above, Sr. Manager (S & LR), GAIL (India) Limited, Noida (U.P.) is requested to pay the item-wise amount of compensatory levies as per the following details.

#### Compensatory Levies

Sr. No.	Item	Condition No. as mentioned in In-Principal approval	Amount in Rs.
1.	Net Present Value	ii (a)	1,99,70,067/-
2.			
3.			
4.			
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1,99,70,067/-</b>

The above mentioned amount of Rs. 1,99,70,067/- (in words Rupees One Crore Ninety Nine Lakh Seventy Thousan and Sixty Seven only) shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund through e-portal.

  
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