

The Project Director, National Highways Authority of India, Shri Laxmi Bunglow No. 3 & 4, Behind Big Bazar, Near S.D. Jain School, Vesu - Piplod Road, Surat - 395 007.

> Subject: Diversion of 0.54 Hect. Forest land for development of Vadodara Mumbai Express way (Phase – I) from Km 104 +700 (Km. 390 + 864 of NH7) to Km. 378 + 722 (Km. 80 + NE-1) passing through state of Gujarat, Maharastra and U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa

Sir,

As per the power conferred under Order F. No. 11-9/98-FC dated 13 February, 2014 by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi the request of the National Highway Authority of India, Gujarat Diversion of 0.54 Hect. Forest land for development of Vadodara Mumbai Express way (Phase - I) from Km 104 +700 (Km. 390 + 864 of NH7) to Km. 378 + 722 (Km. 80 + NE-1) passing through state of Gujarat, Maharastra and U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa is considered and In-principle approval is hereby accorded subject to the following conditions:-

- i The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged i.e. shall remain Reserve / Protected / Village / other types of forests / forest as the case may be.
- ii The project should not involve felling of more than fifty trees per hectare. Corresponding permissible limit of maximum number of trees to be felled for the forest area diverted, shall be in proportion to the extent of the diverted area.
- iii Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department at the cost of the user agency and the same shall be maintained for 10 Years. Only indigenous forest tree species shall be used for such plantations. Trees, if planted on the diverted area, will not be felled without the permission of the State Forest department.
- iv The User agency shall pay the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land at the rates stipulated by the Ministry of Environment and Forests from time to time.

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.

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- vi The User agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora / fauna in the surroundings and therefore, shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.
- vii The User Agency shall submit the FRA Certificate in accordance with the provisions of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forests Rights) Act, 2006 before issue of Formal approval.
- viii The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance before issue the formal order.
- ix All statutory provisions under various Acts, Rule there under and guidelines applicable to this project shall be strictly adhered to.
- x All the fund received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred to the Ad-hoc Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Agency (CAMPA) in Saving Bank A/c. No. SB01025204 (CAF D&NH) in Corporation Bank, Lodhi Complex New Delhi – 110003.
- xi The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

The Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value (NPV) estimated by Forest Department is ₹ 16,11,989/- (Rupees: Sixteen Lakh Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Nine only).

You are therefore, requested to deposit ₹ 16,11,989/- (Rupees: Sixteen Lakh Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Nine only) in favour of through RTGS/NEFT mode in the below mentioned account and copy of proof /evidence may be submitted to this office:-

<u>Corporation Bank,</u> Lodhi Complex Branch, New Delhi <u>Account No. SB01025204</u>. Name of A/c. : <u>Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF)</u> <u>Dadra & Nagar Haveli</u>. <u>RTGS/IFSC No. CORP0000371</u>.

The formal order for diversion of forest land to User Agency will be issued after above conditions are complied. In no case the work shall be started without a formal order from this office.

Yours faithfully

Chief Conservator of Forests/ Nodal Officer Dadra & Nagar Haveli Silvassa

Copy fd.wc.s to the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(C), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Western Regional Office, Kendriya Paryavaran Bhavan, Link Road No. 3, E-5 Area Colony, Bhopal – 462 016 (M.P.). for kind information please.

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests(T), Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa for information and necessary action