

Dated:- 21.08.2023

Government of India, Civil Lines, Nagpur.

Diversion of 20.5983 ha. Forest land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of 132 KVLIO D/C Transmission Line on 132 KV D/C Boisar Dahanu (MIDC) Transmission Line for 220 KV Palghar Sub Station passing through Palghar District in the State of Maharashtra (FP/MH/TRANS/116830/2020).

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Nagpur has submitted proposal for diversion of 20.5983 ha. Forest land under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for laying of 132 KVLILLO D/C Transmission Line on 132 KV D/C Boisar Dahanu (MIDC) Transmission Line for 220 KV Palghar Sub Station passing through Palghar District in the State of Maharashtra.

The details of forest land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No.	Item work purpose	Dist- riet	Taluka	Name of Village	Survey No.	Gut No.	Area (in ha)	Legal Status
1	Construction and laying of 132 KV LILO D/C Transmission Line on 132 KV D/C Boisar Dahanu (MIDC) Transmission Line for 220 KV Palghar Sub-Station passing through Palghar District in the State of Maharashtra	Pal-ghar	Palghar	Uchhali	2	--	1.1205	Mangrove.
2				Pathravali	363	9	0.5292	
						S-1	0.3294	
3				Tembi	161	33	0.1890	
4				Pam	161	34	1.4526	
					200	32	0.1971	
					201	26	0.1890	
5				Kumbhavali	718	168	1.4445	
6				Agvan	--	S1	3.1401	
7				Dapoli	73/1/A /2A/1	--	3.1590	
8				Morekuran	59/1	131	8.8479	Protected Forest
Total Forest Land (Ha.)							20.5983	

2. The proposed project is 132 KV D/C LILO on 132 KV D/C Boisar-Dahanu (MIDC) Transmission Line for proposed 220 KV Palghar Sub-Station. The work involves construction of transmission line for LILO on existing 132 KV D/C Boisar-Dahanu (MIDC) Transmission Line for proposed 220 KV Palghar substation by establishing 132 KV level at Palghar, 132 KV at Dahanu, 132 KV at Boisar and 132 KV at Palghar substation. This will have 2nd strong and reliable source. Presently, 220 KV Boisar-II is feeding 132 KV Boisar I (MIDC) and 132 KV Palghar station. The 132 KV Dahanu Sub-Station is fed from 132 Boisar (MIDC) & extended up to 132 KV TSS-Gholwad station. Further, 132 KV Dahanu Sub-Station will feed proposed MMRDA Sub-station (Suryanagar & Kavdas) for water supply and proposed 132 KV Jawhar Sub-station. The 132 KV Palghar Sub-Station is currently feeding 132 KV Transmission Palghar Sub-station. From above it is seen load demand increases in Palghar, Dahanu and Boisar region. The said LILO arrangement will strengthen the complex network in Palghar areas and there will be improve the reliability of the system. Further in present scenario there is heavy load shedding due to lack of power supply. Hence for avoiding the load shedding of power, MSETCAL has sanction plan.

3. The Concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has certified that:-

- 3.1) No alternate alignment is possible and the forest land required is barest minimum.
- 3.2) The area belongs to Eco-value class-I having density is above 0.4 (Dense Forest).
- 3.3) There are 17807 trees of various species and trees involved in implementation of the project. Girth wise break up of trees is as under:-

		Tree Girth in Cm								Total
Below 30	31-45 cm	46-60 cm	61-75 cm	76-90 cm	91-105 cm	106-120 cm	121-135 cm	136-150 cm	150 above	
13764	2441	849	308	160	93	57	27	20	88	17807

- 3.4) The area involved in the project does not form part of any existing National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Nature Reserve etc.
- 3.5) Proposed project is not likely to affect any monumental site of cultural, historical, religious, archeological or recreational importance.
- 3.6) There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- 3.7) Proposed project is distance of 34.00 Km from Tungreshwar Wildlife Sanctuary. Also the proposed alignment does not fall within Eco-Sensitive Zone.
- 3.8) Compensatory Afforestation is proposed over 42.00 ha. degraded forest land (i) 31.00 ha. in Compt. No.322, Survey No.6 at Mangrual, Tal. Himaytnagar, Dist. Nanded (ii) 11.00 ha. in Compt No.572 A/1, Survey No.34, Gut No.64, at Village

Shirdhon, Dist. Nanded and it is contiguous, suitable for afforestation and management purpose and it is free from encroachment and an encumbrances.

3.9) The non-forest area covered under the project is not under the provision of Maharashtra Private Forest (Acquisition) Act 1975 by virtue of application of Section 35 of Indian Forest Act 1927 and are not recognized as deemed reserved forest as well as not included in the area identified as "forest" as per dictionary meaning of forest as intimated to the expert committee appointed under interim judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12/12/1996.

3.10) The proposed alignment is most suitable.

4. The User Agency has submitted undertakings:-

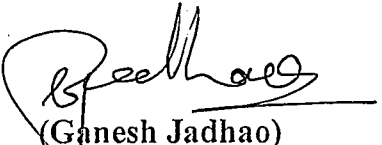
4.1 to defray the cost of Net Present Value.

4.2 to defray the cost of Compensatory Afforestation.

4.3 to submit compliance under FRA-2006.

5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur has recommended the proposal subject to the conditions, given in his specific recommendations, under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. His specific recommendations are enclosed in the proposal.

6. In the circumstances explained in the aforesaid paragraphs and enclosures, the State Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted subject the conditions proposed by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur. The matter may kindly be placed before the Government of India for its approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, be obtained and communicated to this Government.



(Ganesh Jadhao)
Under Secretary to the
Government of Maharashtra

Encl: A) Set of case papers

B) The following documents are enclosed:-

1. Prescribed form as per Rules.
2. Area Statement
3. Commitment from the Applicant for defraying the cost of Net Present Value & Compensatory Afforestation.
4. Brief note of the project

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5. Site Inspection Report.
6. Certificate in Part V.

Copy:

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi
2. Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & C.E.O, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur
4. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State Nagpur with reference to his letter No.Desk-17/Thane//ID-13141(79)/3011/22-23, Dt. 09.02.2023.
5. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane
6. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu.
7. Executive Engineer, MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Kalyan.
8. Select File (F-10)

Sub:- Forest Land-Palghar

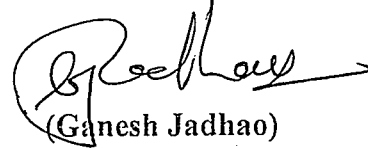
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PART - V

(To be filled up by the Secretary In charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

**1. Recommendation of the
State Government**

The proposal is recommended
vide Government letter
No. FLD-0723/CR-58/F-10
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