

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.EFS01-12021/79/Section-II/2018

Dated: 25-07-2018

From  
The Principal Secretary to Government,  
EFS&T Department,  
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,  
Amaravati-522503.

To  
The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change.  
Regional Office, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Floors,  
Handloom Export promotion Council Building  
34, Cathedral Garden Road,  
Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600034 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 16.57 Ha of forest land (i.e.1.14 Ha. in Chittoor (West) Division, 11.00 Ha. in Kadapa Division and 4.43 Ha. in Proddatur (WL) Division) for laying of 16" dia petroleum product pipeline from Vijayawada in Andhra Pradesh and Dharmapuri in Tamilnadu passing through Andhra Pradesh at Km.0.00 to 619.7 Km via Chittoor & Cuddapah Districts, in favour of General Manger, M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Bangalore -Proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Reg.

Ref: From PCCF & HoFF, Lr.No.6877/2017/FCA-1, Dated: 09.07.2018

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I enclose herewith a copy of the letter cited along with statutory proforma proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, for diversion of 16.57 Ha of forest land [i.e.1.14 Ha. in Chittoor (West) Division, 11.00 Ha. In Kadapa Division and 4.43 Ha. in Proddatur (WL) Division] for laying of 16" dia petroleum product pipeline from Vijayawada in Andhra Pradesh and Dharmapuri in Tamilnadu passing through Andhra Pradesh at Km.0.00 to 619.7 Km via Chittoor & Cuddapah Districts, in favour of General Manger, M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Bangalore.

2. I wish to inform that the user agency i.e. M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited has furnished justification stating that the route survey was carried out for three alternate routes and there is no other alternative routes except the proposed alignment and the area is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has reported that the user agency has not violated the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The District Collectors of Kadapa & Chittoor Districts have issued necessary certificates under Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The proposal has been uploaded on the Ministry's web site and unique file No.FP/AP/Others/30841/2017, has been generated. The concerned field officers and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, have recommended the proforma proposal in Part-II, III and IV respectively. The recommendation in the proforma Part-V proposal is enclosed herewith.

3. I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 16.57 Ha of forest land [i.e.1.14 Ha. In Chittoor (West) Division, 11.00 Ha. in Kadapa Division and 4.43 Ha. in Proddatur (WL) Division] for laying of 16" dia petroleum product pipeline from Vijayawada in Andhra Pradesh and Dharmapuri in Tamilnadu passing through Andhra Pradesh at Km.0.00 to 619.7 Km via Chittoor & Cuddapah Districts, in favour of General Manger, M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Bangalore, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

for Principal Secretary to Government

**Copy to:**

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,  
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.(w.e)- He is requested to take action to upload the proposal in the website of  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, including Part-V  
as enclosed.

The General Manger,  
M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Bangalore,.

## PART-V

(To be filled in 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)

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### 18. Recommendation of the State Government:

(Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-B or Part-C or Part-D above should be specifically commented upon)

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**"Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 16.57 Ha of forest land for laying of 16" dia petroleum product pipeline from Vijayawada in Andhra Pradesh and Dharmapuri in Tamilnadu, in favour of M/s. Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited"**

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Signature

Principal Secretary to Government  
Environment, Forests, Science &

Technology Department  
(Official Seal)

Secretariat, Velagapudi,  
Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh

Date: 25-7-2018

Place: Amaravati