

Government of Gujarat,
Forest and Environment Department,
Block No. 14, 8th Floor, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Sachivalay
Gandhinagar, Gujarat-382010

No. FED/FLP/e-file/6/2023/1722/F

To
Nodal officer (**FCA**)
Aranyabhavan, Gandhinagar.

Subject: In-principle (Stage-I) approval of Government of Gujarat under Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of **0.2126 ha.** Protected Forest for laying 125 MM Dia MDPE Gas Pipeline crossing connectivity for Chiskari –Isanpur-Dodiya, Ta. Dehgam, Dist. Gandhinagar in favour of Chief Manager (PNG, BD&CC), Sabarmati Gas Limited, Gandhinagar.

Ref: Handbook of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 & Forest Conservation Rules, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarifications) Year 2019 in Chapter-4(4.2).

Sir,

Kindly refer to the proposal submitted by Chief Manager (PNG, BD&CC), Sabarmati Gas Limited, Gandhinagar. The details of the proposal are as under.

No.	Description	Trench	Length ×Width (M)		Area (Ha.)
1	Parallel to Sh-141 Amrajinamuvada to chiskari Chowkadi protected Forest @ch 0 to @ch 5300	1.20	5300.00	0.4	0.212
2	Crossing of SH-141 at Chiskari @ch 5295 to @ch 5310m	1.20	15.00	0.4	0.0006
Total					0.2126

I am directed to invite a reference to your single file No **PCCFO/0476/06/2023**, dated 14.06.2023 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Government under Section -2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

The Government of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests has delegated its power to the state government for general approval vide letter referred as above for diversion of forest land section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of forest land for 1.00 ha. area or less than the same.

In view of the above, the undersigned is pleased to convey the State Government's **"in principle"** approval for In-principle (Stage-I) approval of Government of Gujarat under Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 for Diversion of **0.2126 ha.** Protected Forest for laying 125 MM Dia MDPE Gas Pipeline crossing connectivity for Chiskari –Isanpur-Dodiya, Ta. Dehgam, Dist. Gandhinagar in favour of Chief Manager (PNG, BD&CC), Sabarmati Gas Limited, Gandhinagar. subject to the following conditions:-

1. This permission is granted only for use of the forest land for the purpose specified in the proposal. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The Net Present Value (NPV) for the area to be diverted under the proposal shall be deposited by 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 and 09.05.2008 in IA-566 in W.P.(Civil) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the MoEFCC 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 in this regards.
3. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited to CAMPA fund only through e.portal.
4. User Agencies shall generate challan through OSMFWC portal before making payment for Stage-II Clearance process. All the fund shall be deposited through OSMFWC portal by the User Agency.
5. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the FCA proposal.

Signature Not Verified

Signed by: Pravin Patel
Under Secretary
Date: 2023.07.24
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6. User agency will have to obtain permission from the Nodal Officer (FCA), for carrying out any maintenance works in future.
7. User agency will have to restore the forest land after use/ maintenance work. No tree shall be cut.
8. User agency will be liable to compensate any loss to Forests/Environment caused due to the use of the said land by the user agency.
9. Project area is not a part of Protected area/Sanctuary/National Park and the project area is 104.00 Km. away from the Nal Sarovar Bird Sanctuary.
10. User agency will seek permission from the Road & Building Department/Science & Technology Dept. Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar, if required so.
11. Gas pipe line will be laid underground in the trench of maximum depth of 1.20 meters and width of 0.4 meters, in between rows of road side plantation.
12. User Agency shall submit the details regarding compliance of MoEF's guideline dated 03.08.2009 and 05.02.2013 with regard to the Scheduled Tribe & Other Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. FRA shall be uploaded on e.portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in>.) before Formal Approval.
13. Additional Conditions as per the Government of Gujarat's Resolution no. FCA-1013/11-10/11/SF-24/F, Dt.12.06.2015 shall be complied with.
14. Any other condition, which the State Government or Nodal Officer (FCA) may stipulate from time to time.
15. The Compliance report shall be uploaded on e.portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in>).

After receipt of the compliance report on the fulfilment of condition no. (2), (3), (4), (5), (12), (13),(14) & (15) mentioned above from you, order of formal approval will be issued by this Department.

Yours faithfully,
(Prasun Patel)
Under Secretary (Forest)
Forest & Environment Department

copy to:-

1. Director(FC), Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, (FC Division), Indira Paryavaran Bhavwan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003
2. Regional Officer, IRO-Gandhinagar, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, A-407 & 409, Aranyan Bhavan, CH-3 Circle, Sector-10/A, Gandhinagar.
3. Dy. Conservator of Forest, Gandhinagar Forest Division, Gandhinagar .
- 4 Chief Manager (PNG, BD&CC), Sabarmati Gas Limited, Plot no.907, Sector-21, Gandhinagar..- 382021
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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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	Description	Comments
	Recommendation of the State Government : (Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-II or Part-III or Part-IV above should be specified commended upon)	Recommended (Prasun Patel) Under Secretary Forest & Environment Department

Date :

Place :Gandhinagar

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