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To

Date 28th July 2022

The Special Chief Secretary to the Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department,
Telangana State Secretariat, Hyderabad.

Subject: Diversion of 0.0468 Ha of forest land in Medchal division for Laying of OFC along the road within the existing RoW for execution of T-Fiber Project in Medchal District in favour of TELANGANA FIBER GRID CORPORATION LIMITED. -Reg

Madam,

Please refer to the State Government letter No. 3407/For.I(1)/2022 dated 13.07.2022 and online proposal No. FP/TG/OFC/153136/2022 seeking prior approval of the Government of India in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above-mentioned project.

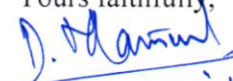
After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, it is noticed the current proposal is for Re-diversion of 0.0468 Ha (for laying of Optical Fiber Cable by the Telangana Fiber Grid Corporation Ltd) of the already diverted forest area of 98.093 ha in favour of Hyderabad Growth Corridor Limited (HGCL) for Outer Ring Road. The purpose as well as the user agency in the instant proposal have changed. Telangana Fiber Grid Corporation Ltd submitted a No Objection Certificate issued by the primary user agency (HGCL) for the re-diversion proposal. I am hereby directed to convey the Central Government's *in-principle* approval (**Stage-I**) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for re-diversion of **0.0468 ha** of forest land in Medchal division for Laying of OFC along the road within the existing RoW for execution of T-Fiber Project in Medchal District in favour of Telangana Fiber Grid Corporation Limited, subject to the following conditions: -

- (i) Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (ii) NPV and 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.
- (iii) No tree felling shall be carried out by the User Agency.
- (iv) As per the prevailing guidelines for re-diversion of forest land, the primary user agency shall not levie any fee/ charges from the new user agency for the use of the forest land.

- (v) All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal.
- (vi) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- (vii) User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- (viii) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- (ix) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- (x) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (xi) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (xii) The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department, or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.
- (xiii) 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. 5-2/2017-FC dt 28/03/2019.
- (xiv) Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection, and development of forests & wildlife.
- (xv) The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- (xvi) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.0468 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. This *in-principle* approval shall be valid for a period of 2 years from the date of issue of this letter. In the event of non-compliance of the above conditions, this *in-principle* approval shall automatically stand revoked after 2 years without any further notice.

Yours faithfully,




(Dr. D. Manjunatha)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

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