

**Government of Andhra Pradesh
Forest Department**

From:
Smt. G.A.P. Prasuna, S.F.S.,
Divisional Forest Officer,
Kadapa.

To:
The Asst. General Manager,
CAO-KADAPA
Power Grid Corporation of
India Limited,
Kadapa-516 003

Rc.No. 1225/2015/A8, dt. 02-03-2017.

Sir,

Sub:- APFD-F (C) Act,980- Diversion of 24.204 Ha of forest land in Kadapa 18.377 Ha) & Anantapur (5,827 Ha) Diversions for construction of 400 KV Double Circuit Kadapa- Hindupur Power Transmission Line- Proposals in hard copies forwarded- reg.

Ref:- Govt. of India, Lr.No.APC027/2016-CHN/0249, Dt.17.02.2017 communicated in PCCF, AP, Hyderabad Rc.No. 21357/2015- FCA-3 dt. 23.02.2017.

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The copies of the above references are sent here with. The Government of India have accorded Stage-I approval for diversion of 24.204 Ha of forest land in Kadapa 18.377 Ha) & Anantapur (5,827 Ha) Diversions for construction of 400 KV Double Circuit Kadapa- Hindupur Power Transmission Line in favour of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited subject to fulfillment of certain conditions.

The user agency i.e. Power Grid Corporation of India limited is requested to furnish the compliance report on the following conditions stipulated by the Govt. of India in Stage-I approval.

| Condition No. | Condition | Action to be taken by the user agency |
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| i | Legal status of the diverted forest | - |
| ii | The demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet height cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 Mts. At the cost of user agency before Stage-II approval. | The user agency is requested to erect 4 feet height cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 Mts and demarcate the proposed forest area. |
| iii | The cost of raising compensatory afforestation (CA) over 51.81 Ha. of degraded Forest in Compt.No.693 of Palakonda and Vongimalla RF in Rayachoty Range of Kadapa Division, shall be realized from the user agency. | The user agency has to deposit Rs.295.323 Lakhs towards raising 52 Ha. CA plantation in the degraded Forest area. The mode of payment shall be through e-payment portal as prescribed by MoEF & CC, New Delhi Dt.23.09.2015. |

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| v | The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted Forest land measuring 24.204 Ha. from the user agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995. | The user agency has to deposit NPV amount of Rs. 143.36002 Lakhs. The mode of payment shall be through e-payment portal as prescribed by MoEF & CC, New Delhi Dt.23.09.2015. |
| vi | Additional amount of Net Present value (NPV) of the diverted Forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect. | The user agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV of the diverted Forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. |
| vii | The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |
| viii | Minimal disturbance should be ensued by creating labour camps outside the Forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the user agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct near by forest flora & fauna. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |
| ix | Trees standing in the diverted area shall be felled strictly as per requirement with prior permission of the Divisional Forest officers, concerned. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |
| x | Removal of Red Sanders trees from the Forest area proposed for diversion shall be done as per the rules, guidelines and procedure in vogue. | - |
| xi | State Forest Department shall raise and maintain sufficient numbers of Red Sanders saplings in the proposed CA land as proposed by the DFO, Kadapa Division. | - |
| xii | Felling and collection cost of Red Sanders trees to be removed shall be collected from the user agency. | The user agency shall deposit an amount of Rs.0.33 Lakhs towards felling and transportation of 200 Nos. RS poles. |
| xiii | The State Forest Department shall translocate the trees, wherever feasible instead of felling at the cost of user agency. | - |

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| xiv | Cost of raising plantation of dwarf species preferably medicinal plants in the Right of way under the transmission line shall be realized from the user agency. | The user agency shall deposit an amount of Rs.47.579 Lakhs towards raising of 18 Ha. plantation of dwarf/ medicinal plants in the right of way under transmission line. |
| xv | The funds received from the user agency towards compensatory afforestation and Net Present Value under this project shall be deposited the respective bank account of Andhra Pradesh State CAMPA. The user agency shall compulsorily deposit the NPV and other levies, only by generating challan through the Ministry's website. | The user agency shall deposit CA, NPV and other levies only by generating challan through the Ministry's website to the respective bank account of Andhra Pradesh |
| xvi | User agency shall bear the cost every year for special protection of the Forest blocks through which the line is passing, as per the assessment of DFO, Kadapa Division. User agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |
| xvii | The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or subleased to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |
| xviii | The total Forest area utilized for the project shall not be exceed 24.204 Ha. and the Forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. User agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |
| xix | The user agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to Ministry's guidelines F.No.7-25/2012-FC dated 5 th May 2014 and provisions of the all Acts, Rules , Regulation and guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to the transmission line projects. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |
| xx | Any other conditions that the Central Government of Additional PCCF (central) of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be compiled by the user agency. | The user agency shall give undertaking on this aspect. |

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| xxii | In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central) Regional Office, Chennai. | - |
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The user agency is requested to deposit the following amounts towards CA, NPV, Red Sanders tree growth extraction and transportation and cost of raising of plantation of dwarf species of medicinal plants in the right of way under the proposed transmission line as indicated below.

| Sl.No. | Description of item | Amount to be deposited by the user agency. |
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| 1 | CA scheme | Double the degraded Forest area proposed for an area of 52.00 Ha. in Palakonda-Vongimalla RF in Compt. NO.693 as CA area and CA scheme is prepared for Rs. 295.323 |
| 2 | Net Present value (NPV) 24.501 Ha. @ Rs. 6.26 Lakhs per Ha. | i. ECO- Class III dense Forest - 16 Ha. @ Rs.8.03 Lakhs per Ha. = 128.48 Lakhs. ii. ECO- Class III open Forests- 2,377 Ha. @ Rs.6.26 Lakhs per Ha. = 14.88002 Lakhs Total - 143.36002 Lakhs. |
| 3 | Red Sanders tree growth extraction and transportation | Rs.0.33 Lakhs towards extraction and transportation of 200 Nos. RS poles. |
| 4 | Raising of plantation of dwarf species of medicinal plants in the right of way under the transmission line | Rs.47.579 towards raising of 18 Ha. Plantation with dwarf/medicinal plants in the right of way under the transmission lines. |

The user agency is also requested to comply with the following in accordance with the Govt. of India instructions issued vide F.No.7-23/2012-FC, Dt.20.07.2013 communicated in PCCF's, Rc.No.45921/2001-F4, Dt.23.08.2013 and publish the order's at the cost of the project proponent.

1. Publish the entire forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the conditions and safe-guards imposed by the Central Government in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and the other in English language so as to make people aware of the permission granted to the project proponent for use of Forest land for non-forest purposed.

2. The copies of the Forest clearance should also be submitted to the Heads of local bodies, Panchayats and Municipal bodies by the project proponents in addition to the relevant offices of the Government who in turn has to display the same in 30 days.

Therefore the Asst. General Manager, Power grid Corporation of India, Kadapa is requested to deposit the amount to Ad-hoc CAMPA through e-payment mode i.e., challan generated in the Ministry's web portal (i.e., www.forestclearance.nic.in) in Saving Bank Account number 344902010105407 of Union Bank of India, Sunder Nagar, New Delhi -110 003 (RTGS/ IFSC No. UBIN0534498) as per the guide lines issued by the Government of India.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-G.A.P. Prasuna
Divisional Forest Officer(FAC),
Kadapa.

Copy submitted to the Chle Conservator of Forests, Kurnool Circle,
Kurnool for favour of Information.

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Technical Officer

**Government of Andhra Pradesh
Forest Department.**

Ref.No.960/2015/TO,
Dated:08.03.2017.

Officer of the Divisional Forest Officer,
Ananthapuramu.

Present: Sri A.Chandrasekhar, SFS.,
Divisional Forest Officer.

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| Sub:- | APFD – F (C)Act, 1980 – Diversion of 24.204 Ha. of forest land in Kadapa (18.377 Ha.) & Ananthapuramu (5.827 Ha.) Divisions for construction of 400 KV Double Circuit Kadapa – Hindupur Power Transmission line – Proposals in hard copies forwarded – Reg. |
| Ref:- | 1. GoI, MoEF &CC, RO., Chennai F.No.4-APC027/2016-CHN/0249, dated 17.02.2017. |
| | 2. PrI.CCF., AP., Guntur Rc.No.21357/2015/FCA-3, dated 23.02.2017. |

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It is informed that the Government in the reference 1st cited above have accorded in-principle (Stage-I) approval under FC Act, 1980, for diversion of 24.204 Ha. of forest land in Kadapa (18.377 Ha.) and Ananthapuram (5.827 Ha.) Divisions for construction of 400 KV Double Circuit Kadapa –Hindupur Power Transmission line, subject to the certain conditions stipulated therein and the same was communicated by the PrI.Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Guntur vide reference 2nd cited. The conditions pertaining to the Ananthapuramu Division are as follows:

- i) Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
- ii) The demarcation of the forest area proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of user agency before stage II approval.
- iii) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 24.204 ha. from User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos. 826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995.
- iv) Additional amount of Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- v) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- vi) Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be responsibility of the user agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby by forest flora and fauna.

- vii) Trees standing in the diverted area shall be felled strictly as per requirement with prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu.
- viii) Removal of red sanders trees from the forest area proposed for diversions shall be done as per the rules, guidelines and procedure in vogue.
- ix) Felling and collection cost of red sanders trees to be removed shall be collected from the user agency.
- x) The State Forest Department shall translocate the trees, wherever feasible instead of felling at the cost of user agency.
- xi) Cost of raising plantation of dwarf species preferably medicinal plants in the Right of way under the transmission line shall be realized from the User Agency.
- xii) The Funds received from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value under this project shall be deposited in the respective bank account of the Andhra Pradesh State CAMPA. The User Agency shall compulsorily deposit the NPV and other levies, only by generating challan through the Ministry's website.
- xiii) User Agency shall bear the cost every year for special protection of the forest blocks through which the line is passing, as per the assessment of the Divisional Forest Officer, Ananthapuramu. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- xiv) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or subleased to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- xv) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 24.204 ha. and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- xvi) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to Ministry's guidelines F.No.7-25/2012-FC dated 5th May, 2014 and provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulation and Guidelines of the Ministry, for the time being in force, as applicable to the transmission line projects.
- xvii) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Additional PCCF (Central) of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency.
- xviii) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.
- xix) Publish the entire forest clearance granted in verbatim along with the conditions and safe-guards imposed by the Central Government in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and the other in English language, so as to make people aware of the permission granted to the project proponent for use of forest land for non-forest purposes.

- xx) The copies of the Forest Clearance should also be submitted to the Heads of local bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies by the project proponents in addition to the relevant offices of the Government who in turn has to display the same in 30 days.

Hence it is requested to submit the compliance report on the above conditions to this office immediately.

Further it is also informed that in comply to the condition no.(iii), it is requested to pay an amount of Rs.36.477 lakhs towards the Net Present Value (NPV) through -payment portal i.e. Challan generated; -through the ministry's website portal (i.e. www.forestclearance.nic.in) in Adhoc - CAMPA as per the guidelines issued by the Ad-hoc CAMPA, New Delhi letter dated 09.06.2016 and submit the transaction receipt.

This is for information and early action requested.

Sd/-A.Chandrasekhar,
Divisional Forest Officer,
Ananthapuramu.

To
✓ The Asst. General Manager/CAO,
Power Grid Corporation Ltd.,
Kadapa.

Copy submitted to the Conservator of Forests, Ananthapuramu Circle, Ananthapuramu for favour of information.

Copy to the Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, Penukonda for information and necessary action.(w/e)

Copy to the Forest Range Officer, Kadiri for information and necessary action.(w/e)

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