

APPENDIX
(See Rule 6)

FORM - A

Form for seeking prior approval under section 2 of the proposals by the State Government and other authorities.

PART - I

(To be filled up by the User Agency)

I	Project details:	:	
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I	i)	Short narrative of the proposal and project scheme for which the forest land is required	:	<p>M/s.IDEA Cellular Ltd proposes to lay underground Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) over a length of 12.477 KMs. passing through the forest area of Manuguru Forest Division in Bhadri-Kothagudem District. Objective of the project is to improve the connectivity and communication facilities in State of Telangana particularly in rural areas of the State in tune with the policy of State Government and Central Government to make the rural areas digital. The project provides employment to the skilled and un-skilled people during the execution of the work and subsequent operation after the project is completed.</p> <p>OFC is laid underground all along the road by digging a trench of 0.5 mtrs width and 1 to 1.6 mtrs in depth depending on the type of soil at the edge of the road within the road boundary. The trench is filled back with and it is compacted immediately after the OFC is laid without causing any disturbance to the wildlife and it doesn't involve any tree felling.</p> <p>It does not require de-notification or diversion of the forest land but OFC is proposed to be laid in the existing Right of Way (RoW) granted to the Road Authorities. Permission is required from the Forest Authorities to lay the OFC within the road boundary in the existing Right of Way (RoW).</p>
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	ii)	Map showing the required forest land, boundary of adjoining forest on a 1:50,000 scale map.	:	Map in SI sheet showing the location of the area proposed for laying OFC is enclosed along with the proposal.
	iii)	Cost of the Project	:	Cost of the Project is Rs.1.3 crores excluding the compensation if any to be paid to Forest Department.
	iv)	Justification for locating the project in forest area.	:	<p>Optical Fiber Cable is proposed to be laid along the road within the existing Right of Way (RoW) granted to Road Authorities passing through the Forest Division, Manuguru and it is shortest in length and there is no other route shorter than the route proposed.</p> <p>The total length of the proposed OFC passing through the Forest Division, Manuguru 12.477 Kms. .</p> <p>This is the only road passing through forest area which is minimum in length and there is no other route passing through the forest.</p>
	v)	Cost-benefit analysis (to be enclosed)	:	Not applicable.
	vi)	Employment likely to be generated	:	Directly & indirectly lot of skilled and unskilled personnel will be employed during execution and subsequent operation of the project.
2		Purpose-wise break-up of the total land required.	:	<p>The OFC is to be laid underground all along the road within the existing Right of Way (RoW) and in the road boundary. Diversion or de-notification of forest is not required. The total length of the route is passing through the Forest Division, Manuguru is 12.477 KMs. The Right of Way permission is required over a length of 12.477 KMs and the area comes to $12477 \text{ mts.} \times 0.5 \text{ mtrs} = 0.6238 \text{ Ha}$. The entire area of 0.6238 ha. is required for laying OFC only.</p>

4	Whether clearance under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 required (Yes / No)	:	No.
5	Undertaking to bear the cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation and / or penal compensatory afforestation as well as cost for protection and regeneration of Safety Zone, etc., as per the scheme prepared by the State Government (undertaking to be enclosed).	:	Compensatory Afforestation is not required in this case.
6	Details of Certificates/documents enclosed as required under the instructions.	:	Required undertakings / certificates are enclosed along with the proposals as shown in the Check list.

Date: 16-01-2017.
Place: Hyderabad.


 Signature: 5-9-62
 (Name in Block letters)
 Designation
 Address (of User Agency)

