Justification for locating project in forest land:

- 1. The diversion of 9.8486 ha forest land is required as per direction of Appellate Tribunal for Electricity, (APTEL), New Delhi vide order dated, 3rd June, 2014 for re-routing of existing transmission line which is already constructed in forest land with approval of MoEF, Govt. of India vide approval F.No.8-60/2008-FC, dated, 30/4/2012.
- 2. There is no available non-forest land to re-route the transmission line in this area. So, forest land cannot be avoided for the project.

Copies of following court orders are enclosed for reference:

- i) Order of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission, New Delhi, dated: 10.03.2014.
- ii) Order of Appellate Tribunal for Electricity, New Delhi, dated, 3rd June, 2014.

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