

(for linear projects)

Government of Gujarat

Office of the District Collector, Kutch

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TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India's letter No. 11-9/98-FC (pt.) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 ('FRA', for short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> February 2013 wherein MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that **0.1285 HA**, of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of SRADAR SAROVAR NARMADA NIGAM LIMITED (name of user agency) for BRANCH CANAL (purpose for diversion of forestland) in Kutch district falls within jurisdiction of BHACHAU tehsils.

It is further certified that:

- (a) the complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire **0.1285 HA** of forest area proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultation and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and the District Level Committee are enclosed as annexure.I to annexure.I.
- (b) the diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3 (2) of the FRA have been completed and the Grama Sabhas have given their consent to it;
- (c) the proposal does not involve recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups and pre-agricultural communities.



  
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