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No.:C/FCA/13/130-34.../2024-25 Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forest Social Forestry Division Sabarkantha-Himmatnagar M/s Building Block 'B' Second Flour Date25/07/2024

To,

Authorized Signatory,

Jio Digital Fibre Pvt. Ltd.,

C/o. Jio Digital Fibre Pvt. Ltd.,

"Reliance Mart", 2nd Floor, Opp. Drive-In Cinema,

Driven Road, Thaltej, Ahmedabad - 380054.

- Sub :- Proposal for grant of permission for laying Optical Fiber Cable along the routes mentioned hereunder. (Protected Forest Area)
 - From Himmatnagar ILA Nr. MS 0.520 to way to Nava Village Nr. MS 4.00 (Km. 5.800 Hac. 0.261)

User Agency : JIO Digital Fibre Private Limited.

- Ref.: 1) Department of Forest & Environment, Gandhinagar Lettter no.:
 - FCA/1015/1013/15/SF-83/F (1) Date : 04/02/2016.
 - 2) This office Letter no.: K/FCA/13/122-25/2021-22, Date : 04/07/2022.
 - 3) Your Office Letter Date: 29/06/2022
 - 4) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Land, Gujarat State Gandhinagar Office Letter no.: FCA/29A/1062-1135/2015-16 dated 10/03/2016.

Memorandum: -

This office has given an "In Principle" approval for diversion of 0.261 ha. of Protected Forest land for underground laying of Optical Fiber Cables lines in above subjected area vide this office letter dated 04/07/2022 at above ref. letter no.(2).

The Jio Digital Fibre Pvt. Ltd., Ahmedabad has reported that it has deposited an amount of Rs.7,400/- towards the cost of Processing Fees and Registration Fees through challan on dated 29/06/2022 in 8782 Forest Remittance (Deposit Head) at State Bank of India, Himmatnagar Branch, Sabarkantha. The same has been confirmed by challan/ bank receipt received vide letter dated 18/02/2021 of Jio Digital Fibre Pvt. Ltd., Ahmedabad at above ref. no.(3). and exempted to pay NPV and Compensatory afforestation for underground OFC line in ref. letter no.(4) by Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Land, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.

The undersigned is pleased to convey the formal approval of the Government under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, subject to the following conditions: -

- 1. The permission is granted only for use of the forest land for the purpose specified in the proposal. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the FCA proposal.
- 3. The User Agency will have to obtain permission from this office for carrying out any maintenance works in future.

- 4. The User Agency will have to make good the forest land after use/maintenance work. No tree shall be cut.
- 5. The User Agency will be liable to make good any loss to Forests/Environment caused to use of the said land by the user agency.
- The User Agency will seek permission from the Roads & Buildings Department/Science and Technology Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 7. The Optical Fibre Cables line will be laid underground in a trench of is not more than 1.65 meter depth and width of 0.45 meter in between rows of road side plantation.
- 8. Any other condition, which the Nodal Officer (FCA) may stipulated from time to time.
- 9. The work in the diversion area will have to be done by labour. Machinery shall not be used.
- 10. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per MoEF & CC Guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC dt 29/01/2018.
- 11. FRA. If Applicable will be complied by the user agency.

Yours faithfully, (S.D.Patel)

Deputy Conservator of Forests Social Forestry Division Sabarkantha

Copy Submitted to: -

- 7. The Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment Department, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar favour of information.
- 8. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Land, Gandhinagar, Gujarat State for favour of information.
- 9. Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Circle, Mehsana for favour of information.

Copy to: -

Range Forest Officer: Himatnagar SF Range for information and necessary action.