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**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**  
**FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From  
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To  
The Secretary to  
Government,  
Environment, Forests,  
Science  
and Technology Department,  
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat  
Velagapudii, Guntur District.

**Rc.no.EFS02-15027/4/2019-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, dated:03/01/2022.**

Sir,

Sub: APFD - F(C) Act, 1980- Diversion of 3.26 ha of forest land (2.67 ha of forest land in Matlatippa RF and 0.59 ha Mangrove Forest land) for laying of 20" pipeline (about 31 Kms) from offshore platform through mouth of the Gouthami River to ONGC onshore plant at East Godavari District in favour of M/s. ONGC, Kakinada - In-principle (Stage-I) approval accorded - Condition-wise compliance report submitted - Reg.

Ref:- 1. GoI, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada F. no. 4-APB124/2021-VIJ/68, dated:17.09.2021 received through GoAP memo no. 982/Section.II/2021/(1420618), EFS &T(Section-II) Dept., dated:20.09.2021.  
2. PCCF & HoFF, A.P, Guntur Rc. no.15027/4/2019-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-3, dated: 27.09.2021.  
3. CCF, Rajahmundry Circle Rc. no.1713/2019-D1, dated: 09.11.2021.

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It is submitted that, the Government of India in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited have accorded in-principle (*Stage-I*) approval for diversion of 3.26 ha of forest land (2.67 ha of forest land in Matlatippa RF and 0.59 ha Mangrove Forest land) for laying of 20" pipeline (about 31 Km) from offshore platform through mouth of the Gouthami River to ONGC onshore plant at East Godavari District in favour of M/s. ONGC, Kakinada subject to fulfillment of certain conditions laid down therein.

Accordingly, the Chief Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry Circle, Rajamahendravaram in the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited has submitted the compliance on the conditions stipulated in the Stage -I approval accorded by the GoI, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited.

The condition-wise compliance is as follows.

Sl. no.	GoI, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada Stage-I letter	Compliance.
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	<b>dated: 17.09.2021.</b>	
(i)	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged. The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition.
(ii)	The demarcation of the proposed forest area except in the water body shall be carried out at an appropriate interval at the cost of User Agency	The User Agency has erected pillars in the proposed area.
(iii)	No tree felling shall be carried out in the diverted forest area.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition.
(iv)	The State Forest Department shall carry out Compensatory Afforestation over an extent of 7.84 ha. identified in compartment no.449, Murari RF, Kakinada Range at the cost of the User Agency	<p>It is submitted that, due to typographical mistake, the CA scheme amount was mentioned as ₹110.438 lakh instead of Rs. 71.718 lakh in the additional information submitted to the Government in PCCF &amp; HoFF, A.P, Guntur letter dated: 11.09.2021. The same needs to be rectified.</p> <p>The User Agency has transferred an amount of <b>₹71.718 lakh towards Compensatory Afforestation through RTGS method on 04.10.2021</b> to Adhoc CAMPA Ac. No. SB01025198 as per the demand notice issued by the Divisional Forest Officer, Kakinada.</p>
(v)	Identified degraded forest area for CA purpose and CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.	Instructions are noted. The User Agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect.
(vi)	The State Govt. shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land measuring 3.26 ha. from the user agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008	The User Agency has transferred an amount of <b>₹34.0018 lakh @10.43 lakh per ha</b> towards Net Present Value (NPV) through RTGS challan on 08.10.2021. Copy enclosed.

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	in IA No's 826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995.																	
(vii)	Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after reversion of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from User agency. User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.	The User Agency has furnished an undertaking to comply with this condition. Copy enclosed.																
(viii)	All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/)	<div>The User Agency has deposited ₹105.71980 lakh into CAMPA fund. Details are as follows.</div> <table><tr><th>Sl. no.</th><th>Component</th><th>Amount in lakh</th><th>Rs.</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>Compensatory Afforestation</td><td>71.7180</td><td></td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Net Present Value</td><td>34.0018</td><td></td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Total</td><td>105.7198</td><td></td></tr></table>	Sl. no.	Component	Amount in lakh	Rs.	1	Compensatory Afforestation	71.7180			Net Present Value	34.0018		Total		105.7198	
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		Copy enclosed herewith.
(ix)	The Muck generated in the earth cutting if any, will be disposed off at designated dumping sites and in no case the muck / debris will be disposed off in the forest areas.	The user agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(x)	The User Agency shall display signage / Caution boards at appropriate places for safety and awareness	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xi)	The User Agency shall monitor the pipeline at regular intervals to ensure safety and to avoid any accident. The user agency shall submit such monitoring reports to the DFO concerned.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xii)	Wildlife Mitigation plan: especially for Fishing Cats and Otters and financial outlay of such mitigation plan shall not be exorbitant and such mitigation plan shall be submitted along with the compliance report	The Ecology and Bio-diversity Study Report & Wildlife Conservation Plan submitted by the User Agency / Project Proponent has been approved by the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, O/o the PCCF & HoFF, A.P, Guntur. A copy of the same is enclosed herewith.
(xiii)	The State Government / User Agency shall comply with all conditions stipulated in the CRZ clearance.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xiv)	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government .	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.

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(xv)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xvi)	Minimal disturbance should be ensured by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the UA to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby flora & fauna.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xvii)	The total forest area to be utilized for the project shall not exceed 3.26 ha. and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xviii)	User Agency and State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xix)	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer, IRO, Vijayawada 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.	The User Agency has agreed to comply with this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
(xx)	Compliance report on the above conditions shall be processed and submitted through e-portal ( <a href="https://parivesh.nic.in/">https://parivesh.nic.in/</a> )	The User Agency has uploaded the compliance on the conditions stipulated in the Stage -I approval in the Ministry's web portal.
(xxi)	In the event of failure to	The user agency has agreed to comply with

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comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as provisions of rules / guidelines made under FCA,1980	this condition and submitted an undertaking to this effect. Copy enclosed.
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The compliance report in (2) sets is submitted herewith.

Government are therefore requested to forward the same to the Government of India, MoEF &CC, IRO, Vijayawada to accord Stage -II (final) approval to the subject proposal at the earliest as deemed fit in the matter.

Encl:- As above

Yours faithfully  
N Prateep Kumar Ifs  
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &  
Head of Forest Force

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Rajahmundry Circle, Rajamahendravaram and the Divisional Forest Officer, Kakinada for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & CWLW, Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, A.P, Guntur for information and necessary action.

Copy to the CGM (C), M/s ONGC, Eastern Offshore Asset, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Subhadra Arcade, Bhanugudi Junction, Kakinada for information and necessary action.