

Government of Gujarat,
Forest and Environment Department,
No. FED/FLP/e-file/6/2023/2190/F
Block No. 14, 8th Floor, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Sachivalaya,
Gandhinagar, Gujarat-382010

To,
Regional Officer, IRO-Gandhinagar,
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
A-407 & A-409, Aranya Bhavan,
CH-3 Circle, Sectr-10 A, Gandhinagar-382010

Subject: Diversion of **0.91656 ha.** Reserved Forest & Wildlife Sanctuary area for laying OFC along the route (1) Jitgadh to Junaraj village (2) Gora to Zarvani Village (3) Thavadia village in Shoolpaneshwar Wildlife Sanctuary in Narmada District in favour of DGM(Project), Gujarat Fiber Grid Network Ltd., Gandhinagar.

(Online Proposal No : FP/GJ/OFC/141043/2021)

Sir,

Kindly refer to your letter F.No. FC-6/GJB-15/2022-GNR/, dated.07.03.2022 on the subject cited above and it is informed that:-

No.	Conditions	Sr. No.	Reply
A: Conditions which needs to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department:			
1	The cost of compensatory afforestation on the degraded CA land at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars, if required on the CA land shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.	1	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.11,01,194/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation in the CAMPA fund.
2	The Net Present Value (NPV) for the 0.91656 ha. forest area to be diverted under the proposal shall be deposited by the user agency as per the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30/10/2002, 01/08/2003, 28/03/2008 and 09/05/2008 in IA-566 in W.P. (Civil) No.202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC vide letters No.5-1/1998-FC(pt-II) dated 18/09/2003 as well as letter No.5-2/2006-FC dated 03/10/2006 and 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009 and revision of NPV vide Ministry letter no. 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-1) dated 06/01/2022 in this regard.	2	The User Agency has already deposited an amount of Rs.62,19,364/- towards the cost of Net Present Value directly in the CAMPA fund. The confirmation received from national Authorities is attached here with.
3	The proposed optical fibre cable is passing through Soolpaneshwar Wildlife Sanctuary. In this regard required Wildlife Clearance from Standing Committee of Wildlife shall be obtained.	3	Letter no.wlp32/b/6074-79/2021-22, dt.28/01/2022 is attached here with.
4	The working permission for the project shall be issued only after receiving of approval from Standing Committee of National Board of Wildlife (NBWL).	4	The Working Permission is issued to user agency after receiving approval from wildlife angle.



5	Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.	5	The User Agency has agreed
6	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.	6	FRA certificate of Collector, Narmada is attached herewith.
7	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.	7	The User Agency has agreed
8	The KML files of diverted area and CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details prior to Stage-II approval.	8	The KML files of CA area is uploaded on the e-Green watch portal.
9	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited in CAMPA fund only through e-portal.	9	Funds from the user agency has been transferred online to the CAMPA fund through e-portal.

B: Conditions which needs to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:

1	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	1	The User Agency has Agreed
2	Forest land will be handed over to the user agency only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over to the user agency.	2	The User Agency has Agreed
3	Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 2.00 ha. degraded forest land Compartment no.33, Village-Limbadi, Taluka-Garudeshwar, Range/Division- Kevadiya, District-Narmada of Gujarat at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.	3	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.11,01,194/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation in the CAMPA fund.
4	No tree felling shall be involved in the implementation of this project.	4	The User Agency has Agreed
5	The pipeline shall be laid down 1.5 meter below the ground and after laying down of pipeline the ground will be leveled.	5	The User Agency has Agreed
6	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.	6	The User Agency has Agreed
7	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.	7	The User Agency has agreed
8	No labour camp shall be establishment on the forest land.	8	The User Agency has agreed
9	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	9	Not required by User Agency



10	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.	10	The User Agency has agreed
11	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	11	The User Agency has agreed
12	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.	12	The User Agency has agreed
13	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.	13	The User Agency has Agreed
14	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.	14	The User Agency has agreed
15	The user agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Integrated Regional Office, Gandhinagar by the end of March every year.	15	The User Agency has agreed
16	The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	16	The User Agency has agreed
17	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violations of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as Para 1.21 of FCA, 1980 Handbook 2019.	17	The User Agency has agreed
18	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.	18	The User Agency has agreed
19	The compliance report in letter format of State Govt. of Gujarat shall be uploaded on e-portal (http://parivesh.nic.in) in letter format.	19	The Compliance report is uploaded on e-portal.

Yours faithfully,
(B.L.Chaudhari)
Deputy Secretary(Forest)
Forest & Environment Department

Encl. As above.

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Approved By: B.l.chaudhari(DS,F Section,FED)

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