



Government of Gujarat
Forest & Environment Department

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No. FCA-1020/1-07/20/SF-191/F

Date: 17 OCT 2022

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 **0.1647 ha.** Reserved/Protected Forest and Wildlife Sanctuary area for laying Optical Fiber Cable From T Junction of Sasan/Talala to Village Bhojde Km.3.660 in Gir-Somnath District in favour of Jio Digital Fiber Pvt. Ltd., Ahmedabad.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter F.No. 6-GJB069/2020-BHO dated 23.11.2020 on the subject cited above and it is informed that:-

Sr. No.	Condition	Compliance
Specific Conditions :-		
1	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;	The User Agency has Agreed
2	Forest land shall be handed over to the user agency only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over to the User Agency.	N.A.
3	Compensatory afforestation:- h) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 1.00 ha degraded forest land at Survey No.RF 20/1 PF, Village-Chitrod, Taluka-Talala, District-Gir Somnath, 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 may be avoided.	The User Agency has already deposited an amount of Rs.6,85,880/- towards the cost of Compensatory afforestation in the CAMPA fund.
	i) Total No. of saplings to be planted shall be not less than 1,111 nos. (1.00 ha. x 1111) in CA land. The composition of saplings (number of species wise) to be planted in the CA	Noted

	land shall be as per National Forest Policy and as per CA Scheme Submitted vide Government of Gujarat Letter No.FCA-1020/1-07/20/SF-191/F, dated: 09.10.2020 and record shall be kept.	
	j) The standard size sapling (minimum height & minimum collar girth and maximum sturdiness quotient species wise) as approved by the State Govt. and as per specification in CA Scheme submitted by Government Gujarat Letter FCA-1020/1-07/20/SF-191/F, dated: 09.10.2020 shall be planted in the selected CA land.	Noted
	k) The height and collar girth (specie wise) shall be measured & recorded at the time of plantation and in November of plantation year. Further, data of height, collar girth and survival percentage (species wise) twice a year (April & November month) shall be recorded & records shall be maintained.	Noted
	l) The sturdiness Quotient of the plants at the time of plantation shall not be more than 7. The sturdiness Quotient = $\frac{\text{The height of plant (cm)}}{\text{The collar diameter (mm)}}$	Noted
	m) All the live stumps and pollards having girth at ground level ≤ 90 cm and having coppicing properties present in this CA area shall be dressed from ground level and girth wise record shall be kept.	Noted
	n) The CA plantation shall be taken place before end of 2021 monsoon.	Noted and Planning
4	The cost of compensatory afforestation at prevailing wages rates at the compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars if required on the	The User Agency has already transferred an amount of Rs.6.85.880/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Survey, Demarcation and Boundary

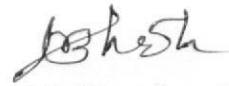
	CA land shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the Project Authority. The CA shall be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.	pillars in the CAMPA fund.
5	The user agency shall deposit Rs.6,85,880/- for CA in CAMPA, New Delhi.	The User Agency has deposited Rs.6,85,880/- towards CA in the CAMPA fund.
6	<p>NPV:-</p> <p>c) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 0.1647 ha forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30.10.2002, 01.08.2003, 28.03.2008, 24/04/2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry 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 chapter 3 of Handbook, 2019 of FCA, 1980 & FC Rules 2003 in this regard.</p> <p>d) 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.</p>	<p>The User Agency has already deposited an amount of Rs.68,657/- towards the cost of five times Net Present Value for 0.0171 ha Sanctuary area in the CAMPA fund.</p> <p>The User Agency has already given the undertaking in this regard.</p>
7	No tree felling shall be involved in this implementation of this project.	The User Agency has agreed
8	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited in CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in).	Funds from the user agency has been transferred online to the CAMPA fund through e-portal.

9	The User Agency shall be eligible for the working permission of one years as per the para 11.2 of FCA Handbook, 2019 and copy of the working permission shall be submitted this office.	Working permission is issued by DCF, Gir (W), Junagadh.
10	The State Govt. shall obtain the Stage-II approval in case of User Agency eligible for the working permission of one year as per the Para 11.2 of FCA Handbook, 2019. If the Stage-II approval is not obtained before the end of working permission, then the State shall stop the work and action shall be initiated under Para 1.21 (ii) of FCA, Handbook, 2019.	The User Agency has agreed
11	The proposal attracts para 12.3 of FCA Handbook 2019 and the approval from NBWL/CWLW shall be obtain before issuance of working permission.	The wildlife clearance from CWLW is attached herewith.
General Conditions :-		
1	User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986. if required.	N.A.
2	The OFC cable shall be laid down 1.5 meter below the ground and after laying down of cable the ground will be leveled.	The User Agency has agreed
3	The trees with bird nest, reptiles and habitat of wildlife of observed than such trees shall be treated with special care for relocation in the forest land by forest department at the cost of user agency.	The User Agency has agreed
4	The user agency shall provide suitable under/over pass in Protected Area/Forest Area as per recommendations of CWLW/NBWL/FCA/REC. if applicable.	The User Agency has agreed
5	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has Agreed
6	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.	The User Agency has Agreed
7	Sufficient firewood, preferably alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the laborers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other	The User Agency has Agreed

	legal source of alternate fuel.	
8	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.	The User Agency has agreed
9	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	The User Agency has Agreed
10	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.	The User Agency has Agreed
11	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.	The User Agency has undertaken that the forest land shall not be used for any purpose, other than that specified in the FCA Proposal.
12	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.	The User Agency has Agreed
13	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.	The User Agency has Agreed
14	All the conditions of State Forest Department/Local Forest rules shall be applicable in this project.	The User Agency has Agreed
15	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per para of 1.21 of FCA, 1980 Handbook 2019.	The User Agency has Agreed
16	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.	The User Agency has Agreed
17	The compliance report in the letter format of Govt. of Gujarat shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in).	The Compliance report is uploaded on e-portal.

In view of above and since the conditions of In-principle approval have already been complied with, it is requested to issue a formal approval.

Yours faithfully,



(B.L. Chaudhary)

Deputy Secretary

Forest & Environment Department

Encl. As above.

copy to:-

1. Nodal officer (FCA), Pr. Chief Conservator of Forest's Office, Gujarat State, 'Aranya Bhavan' Sector-10/A, Gandhinagar.
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