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To

The Principal Secretary,

Forest & Environment Department,

New Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar

Sub: Diversion of 122.4077 ha. Protected Forest land for 2/4 lanning of Bhuj-Khavda-Dharmshala section NH-341 from km. 65+478 to 162+185 in State of Gujarat package-II Kutch district in favour of Executive Engineer, NH Division, Gandhidham.

(Online No: FP/GJ/ROAD/23626/2017)

Ref: Government of India's In-principle approval letter no.

6-GJA 029/2018-BHO/BH-41, Dt. 26/04/2020

Sir,

With reference to the above subject and letter the compliance report of conditions of In-principle approval is as under:

Sr.	Conditions	Sr.	Reply
No.	10.	No.	
	ific Conditions:		
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	(a)Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over (i) 4.50 ha. NFL is part of 9.85 ha. Govt. waste land at Survey no. 29/p, Village-Bocha, Taluka Mundra, District-Kutch. (ii) 245 ha. degraded forest at Comp. 870/p, Range-Bhuj west, Gujarat.	3	(a)The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 11,21,94,003 /towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Additional CA in the CAMPA fund.
	(iii) As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.		



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	(b) Total No. of saplings to be planted shall not be less than nos. 19,998 (18.00 ha. x 1111) in CA land. The composition of saplings (number of species wise) to be planted in the CA land shall be as per the National Forest Policy and as per CA scheme submitted vide Govt. of Gujarat letter No. FCA-1020/7-04/20/SF-109/F dated 14/07/2020 and record shall be kept.		(b)Noted
	(c) 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 shall be planted in the selected CA scheme submitted by Govt. of Gujarat letter No. FCA-1020/7-47/18/SF-195/F dated 24/02/2020 shall be planted and selected CA land.		(c) Noted
	(d) 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.		(d)Noted
	(e) All the live stumps & pollards up to 90 cm Girth shall be dressed from ground level for the purpose of regeneration & record shall be kept in plantation journal. (f) Plantation shall be taken up before end of 2021 monsoon.		(e) Noted (f) Noted and planned
4	The cost of compensatory afforestation 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.	4	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 11,21,94,003 /-towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Additional CA in the CAMPA fund.



Ţ	5	The User Agency shall deposit	5	The User Agency has deposited an
	-	the amount Rs. 10,74,25,024/-	-	amount of Rs. 11,21,94,003/-
		for CA in the CAMPA, New		towards CA at the prevailing wage
ŀ	6	Delhi. NPV :		rates in the CAMPA fund.
	O	NPV:		The User Agency has already deposited an amount
		 The State Government 	6	of Rs.5,36,14,573/- towards
		shall charge the Net		the cost of Net Present Value
		Present Value (NPV) for		in the CAMPA fund.
		the 12.4077 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.11) 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 FCA Handbook, 2019 in		
		this regard.		
		Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest		(b) The User Agency has already
		land, if any, becoming due		given the undertaking in this regard.
		after finalization of the		1 oguru.
		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.		
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7	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited in CAMPA fund only through eportal (https://pariveshnic.in).	7	Funds from the user agency has been transferred online to the CAMPA fund through e-portal.
8	The FRA certificate shall be obtained and submitted/uploaded along with the compliance report for the Stage-II approval.	8	The User Agency has submit a FRA certificate of Collector Kutch-Bhuj.
9	User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees up to 2821 to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.	9	The User Agency has agreed
10	The User Agency shall be eligible for the working permission of one year per the Para 11.2 of FCA Handbook, 2019 and copy of the working permission shall be submitted to this office.	10	Working permission is given to user agency by DCF.
11	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.	11	The User Agency has agreed
Gene	eral Conditions:		
1	User Agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road as per the IRC norms.	1	The User Agency has stated that as per prevalent IRC norms and guidelines, every effort will be made to raise strip plantation on broth the side / central verge of the road.
2	Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas.	2	The User Agency has agreed
3	User Agency shall provide suitable under pass/over pass for free movement of wildlife in and around the forest area in accordance to Eco friendly measures to mitigate impacts of linear infrastructure on wildlife (2016).	3	The User Agency has agreed
4	User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.	4	The User Agency has agreed



5	User agency shall obtain Costal Regulatory Zone (CRZ)	5	The User Agency has agreed
	Clearance, if required.		
6	The layout plan of the proposal	6	The User Agency has agreed
	shall not be changed without		
	prior approval of Central		
	Government.		
7	No labour camp shall be	7	The User Agency has agreed
	establishment on the forest		
	land.		
8	Sufficient firewood, preferably	8	The User Agency has agreed
	the alternate fuel, shall be		The Oser Agency has agreed
	,		
	provided by the User Agency to		
	the labourer after purchasing		
	the same from the State Forest		
	Department or the forest		
	Development Corporation or		
	any other legal source of		
	alternate fuel.		
9	The boundary of the diverted	9	The User Agency has agreed
	forest land shall be suitably		
	demarcated on ground at the		
	project cost, as per the		
	directions of the concerned		
	Divisional Forest Officer.		
10	No additional or new path will	10	The User Agency has agreed
10	be constructed inside the forest	10	line ober rigeney nas agreed
	area for transportation of		
	construction materials for		
1.1	execution of the project work.	11	The Heart Assertant has a sure of
11	The period of diversion under	11	The User Agency has agreed
	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 forest land shall not be	12	The User Agency has undertaken
	used for any purpose other		that the forest land shall not be
	than that specified in the		used for any purpose, other than
	project proposal.		that specified in the FCA
			Proposal.
13	The forest land proposed to be	13	The User Agency has agreed
	diverted shall under no		
	circumstances be transferred		
	to any other agencies,		
	department or person without		
	prior approval of Govt. of India.		
14	The State Government and user	14	The User Agency has agreed
	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,		
4.5	as applicable to the project.	4 =	TTI TT
15	The User Agency shall adhere	15	The User Agency has agreed
1	to all rules, regulations,		
	guidelines & Acts enforced by		
	State Govt. and Central Govt.		
1	for the proposal.		



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16	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	16	The User Agency has agreed
17	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.	17	The User Agency has agreed
18	The compliance report in letter format of State Govt. of Gujarat shall be uploaded on e-portal (http://parivesh.nic.in) in letter format.	18	The Compliance report is uploaded on e-portal.

1. The User Agency has already deposited an amount of Registration Fee Rs. 5,000/- and Processing Fee Rs. 359879/- in the 8782 - Forest Remittance - Deposit Head on date. 22/03/2018 as per the Government of Gujarat's Resolution dated: 12/6/2015.

In view of above and since the conditions of In-principle approval have already been complied with, the matter may now be referred to Integrated Regional Office, Gandhinagar for issuance of formal approval.

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1.	Name of Regional Office	:	Gandhinagar
2.	State/District/Forest Division to which the proposal relates	:	Gujarat /Kutch/ SF Division Kutch
3.	Name of User Agency, nature of proposal	:	MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS
			Road widening
4.	Extend of forest area involved	:	122.4077 ha.
5.	Whether original, or extension	:	Original
6.	If extension of lease, pl clarify if proposal involves additional forest area, and if so, specify	:	_
7.	Date of 1 st stage clearance	:	Date.26/04/2020
8.	Extend of CAMPA charges, head wise viz	:	
	(a) Compensatory Afforestation	:	Rs. 11,01,50,422/-
			{Rs.10,53,81,443/- + Rs.47,68,979/- } {CA + Differentiate CA}
	(b) Additional CA	:	Rs. 20,43,581/-
	(c) Penal CA	:	_
	(d) Catchment Area Treatment	:	_
	(f) Additional charges for	:	_
	diversion of area falling under notified/protected areas		



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	(h) Any other charges/Levies(pl specify)	:	_
9.	Details of Bank Drafts (Bank,	:	_
	Draft No., Date & Amount), head-		
	wise against items indicated in		
	paragraph 9 above.		
10.	Whether deposited by RTGS, if so,	:	User Agency online transferred
	the particulars & dated of		in CAMPA fund through e-portal.
	remittance.		
11.	Bank [Corporation Bank, Lodhi	:	Union Bank of India, Lodhi Road,
	complex/union bank of India,		New Delhi, Date.29/05/2020 &
	Sunder Nagar] in which deposited,		Date. 20/10/2020
	with date of deposition.		
12.	Any other remarks.	:	_

(Dr. Jaipal Singh)

Addl. Pri. Chief Conservator of Forests Land

Gujarat State, Gandhinagar

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