



Government of Gujarat
Forest & Environment Department

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No. FCA-1018/7-25/18/SF-128/F

Date: 6 MAY 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 **12.25ha.** Protected Forest land for road Widening of existing Visnagar-Vijapur road SH-130 in Ta.Visnagar & Vijapur of Mehsana District in favour of Executive Engineer, Mehsana (R&B) Division, Mehsana.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter F.No. 6-GJC047/2019-BHO/639 dated 30.07.2020 on the subject cited above , the required information are as under”

Sr. No.	Condition	Compliance
Specific Conditions :-		
1	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged;	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 by the User Agency.	N.A.
3	Compensatory afforestation:- h) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 25.00 ha degraded forest land (Comptt. No.54, Village-Panthal Taluka-Khedbrahma, District-Banaskantha). As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.	The User Agency has already deposited an amount of Rs.1,07,53,275/- towards the cost of Compensatory afforestation in the CAMPA fund.

	<p>i) Total No. of saplings to be planted shall not be less than nos.27,775 (25.00 ha. x 1111) in CA land. The composition of saplings (number species wise) to be planted in the CA land shall be as per National Forest Policy and as per CA Scheme Submitted vide APCCF, Land, Gujarat State letter No.FCA/29/A/132-33/2020-21 dated 25/06/2020 and record shall be kept.</p>	
	<p>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 vide Govt. Gujarat Letter APCCF, Land, Gujarat State letter No.FCA/29/A/132-33/2020-21 dated 25/06/2020 shall be planted in the selected CA land.</p>	
	<p>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.</p>	
	<p>l) The Sturdiness Quotient of the plants at the time of plantation shall not be more than 7. The Sturdiness Quotient= $\frac{\text{The height of plant (cm)}}{\text{The collar diameter (mm)}}$</p>	
	<p>m) All the live stumps & pollards upto 90 cm Girth shall be dressed from ground level for the propose of generation & record shall be kept in plantation journal.</p>	
	<p>n) Plantation shall be taken place before end of 2021 monsoon.</p>	

4	The cost of compensatory afforestation at prevailing wages 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.	The User Agency has already transferred an amount of Rs.1,07,53,275/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Survey, Demarcation and Boundary pillars in the CAMPA fund.
5	The State Govt shall deposits the amount of Rs.1,07,53,275/- in respect of CA in CAMPA, New Delhi.	The User Agency has deposited Rs.1,07,53,275/- towards CA in the CAMPA fund.
6	<p>NPV:-</p> <p>c) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 12.25 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 FCA Handbook, 2019 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.53,65,500/- towards the cost of Net Present Value in the CAMPA fund.</p> <p>The User Agency has already given the undertaking in this regard.</p>
7	User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees upto 581 to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be	The User Agency has agreed

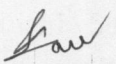
	felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the user agency with the State Forest Department.	
8	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited in CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in).	Funds from the user agency has been transferred online to the CAMPA fund through e-portal.
9	As the project is crossing the railway line. NOC for Railway authority shall be obtained before issuance if working permission and submitted/uploaded along with the compliance report for the Stage-II approval.	The User Agency has agreed
10	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.	The User Agency has agreed
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.	The User Agency has agreed
General Conditions :-		
1	User Agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road as per the IRC norms.	The User Agency has agreed
2	Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/Forest Areas.	The User Agency has agreed
3	User Agency shall provided suitable under pass over for free movement of wildlife in and around the forest area in accordance to ecofriendly measure to mitigate impacts if linear infrastructure on wildlife (2016).	The User Agency has agreed
4	User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986. if required.	N.A.

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 legal source of alternate fuel.	The User Agency has Agreed
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	The User Agency shall adhere to all rules, regulations, guidelines & acts enforced by State Govt. and Central Govt. for the proposal.	The User Agency has Agreed
15	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest	The User Agency has Agreed

	(Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per para of 1.21 of FCA, 1980 Handbook 2019.	
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,


(S. J. Pandit)

Additional 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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