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**Jammu & Kashmir Forest Department
Office of the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF,
Government of Jammu & Kashmir**



**The Commissioner/Secretary to Government,
Department of Forests, Ecology and Environment,
Civil Secretariat, Jammu**

No. PCCF/FCA/3379/3390-92

Dated 10-08-2022

**Sub: Use of 0.967 ha of forest land for laying of Optical Fibre Cable (Kainthgali-Lali)
in Udhampur Forest Division.**

Ref: Proposal No. FP/JK/OFC/144842/2021.

Sir,

Kindly find enclosed herewith the compliance report submitted by Conservator of Forests, East Circle Jammu vide communication No. 501/FCA/CFE/J dated 08-08-2022, of the terms and conditions of Stage-I approval accorded by the Administrative Department (Forests) vide No. FST-Land/OFC/111/2021-02 dated 14-12-2021. The confirmation regarding uploading of KML file on e-green watch portal has been submitted by DFO Udhampur vide letter No. 2893-95/FDC dated 29-07-2022.

Hence, recommended for accord of stage-II (final) approval for this case.

Yours faithfully


**(S.Senthil Kumar) IFS
Chief Conservator of Forests
Nodal Officer (FCA)**

15/08/22

Copy to:

1. Conservator of Forests, East Circle Jammu
2. Divisional Forest Officers Udhampur Forest Division

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Ref: Proposal No. FP/JK/OFC/144842/2021.

The CEO J&K CAMPA hereby undertakes that the money from the State Fund shall be released to Divisional Forest Officer as per approved CA scheme with respect to the following proposal:

“Use of 0.967 ha of forest land for laying of Optical Fibre Cable (Kainthgali-Lali) in Udhampur Forest Division”

No. **PCCF/CAMPA/3379/1337**
Dt. **12/8/2022**


(Sarvesh Rai) IFS

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Chief Executive Officer (CAMPA)



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OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS EAST CIRCLE, JAMMU
FOREST COMPLEX, DOGRA HALL, JAMMU

The Chief Conservator of Forests,
Nodal Officer (FCA)
Jammu.

No: - 501/FCA/CFE/5

Dated: - 08/08/2022.

Sub: - Laying of Optical Fiber Cable (Kainthgali-Lali) by M/s
Jio Digital Fiber Private Limited (Proposal No.
FP/JK/OFC/144842/2021).

Sir,

Kindly find enclosed compliance report and undertaking
received from DFO Udhampur vide his letter No. 2893-95/FDU dt:
29.07.2022 for favour of information and further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

B. Mohandaas, (IFS)
Conservator of Forests,
East Circle, Jammu.

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The Conservator of Forests,
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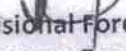
No.: 2893-95/FDU Dated: 29-07-2022
Sub: Laying of Optical Fiber Cable (Kainthgali-Lali) by M/s Jio Digital Fiber Private Limited
(Proposal No.FP/JK/OFC/144842/2021).
Ref: Under Secretary to Government, Forest Ecology & Environment Department Civil Secretariat,
J&K Jammu's In-Principle Approval No.FST/LandOFC/111/2021-02 dated 14.12.2021.

Sir,

Kindly find enclosed herewith the Compliance Report and Undertaking of the conditions of
the In-Principle approval submitted by the User Agency (M/s Jio Digital Fiber Private Limited) and the
undersigned for Stage-II Approval.


Submitted for favour of information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,


Divisional Forest Officer
Udhampur Forest Division
Udhampur

Copy submitted to the:

1. Chief Conservator of Forests, Nodal Officer (FCA), for kind information.
2. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu for kind information.


Divisional Forest Officer
Udhampur Forest Division
Udhampur

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cc: FCA s/o

Divisional Forest Officer

Forest Division Udhampur

Letter No – RJIL/GOVT/JK/APP/421

Dated:- 08-07-2022

SUBJECT- COMPLIANCES OF STAGE-1 CONDITIONS OF FOREST PROPOSAL NO-
FP/JK/OFC/144842/2021 FOR DIVERSION OF 0.967 Ha FOREST LAND FOR LAYING OF OPTICAL FIBRE
CABLE (KAINTHGALI - LALI) IN UDHAMPUR FOREST DIVISION.

1. The above project is proposed for laying of optical fiber to provide mobile/4G network connectivity to far flung area of Dist. Udhampur.

S.No	Conditions for Compliance as per Government Order No. FST-LandOFC/111/2021-02 Dated- 14.12.2021	Compliance by User Agency, Jio Digital Fiber Pvt. LTD
A.	Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the J&K Forest Department.	
1	Cost of compensatory afforestation as per scheme may be realized from the user agency	The user agency has agreed.
2	Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted for non-forestry purpose may be realized from the user agency, as per MoEF&CC directions issued vide letters No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 5th February 2009 and Hon'ble Supreme Court of India's Order dated 30th October 2002, 28th March, 2008, 24th April, 2008 and 9th May 2008	The user agency has agreed.
3	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 from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.	The user agency has agreed.
4	The Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land and all other CA levies shall be deposited through web portal of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change www.parivesh.nic.in	The user agency has agreed.
5	User agency should ensure that the compensatory levies (CA cost, NPV, etc.) are deposited through challan generated online on web portal and deposited in appropriate bank only. Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance	Already deposit and receipt enclosed.



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6	The cost of extraction shall be paid by the user agency to the agency executing the extraction (J&K Forest Department/J&K Forest Development Corporation/any other, as applicable);	The user agency has agreed.
7	Original copy of FRA certificate to be submitted	Copy enclosed
8	Divisional Forest Office shall furnish undertaking that the approved CA sites will not be changed without the approval of the Competent Authority.	NA
9	The CEO State CAMPA shall furnish undertaking that the funds under State CAMPA will be released to Divisional Forest Officer as per approved CA scheme	NA
10	The KML files of the area to be diverted, the CA areas, the proposed SMC work, the proposed Catchment Area Treatment area and the WLMP area shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details before issuing working permission towards linear projects or submitting compliance report for seeking Stage-II approval, as the case may be	NA
11	No permanent construction of the building is permitted at the sites.	The user agency has agreed.
12	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per law.	The user agency has agreed.
B.	Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the J&K Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:	
1	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged	The user agency has agreed.
2	Efforts should be made to fell minimum number of trees	The user agency has agreed.
3	The CA will be carried out on degraded forest land as per the CA scheme and the funds will be provided by the user agency. The plantation of 1000 trees per ha (or proportionately less if forest area diverted is less than 0 1 Ha) will be done within one year from the date of issue of the approval	NA
4	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government	We here agree to abide by this condition.
5	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	We here agree to abide by this condition.
6	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 or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel	The user agency has agreed.



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7	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work	We here agree to abide by this and follow the directions, strictly.
8	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.
9	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal	The user agency has agreed.
10	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.
11	The User Agency shall abide by the procedures as per the Telecom Guidelines/Policy etc in force, regarding installation of over ground infrastructure on forest land	The user agency has agreed.
12	The User Agency shall pay any expenses/rent/fees etc as applicable towards Forest Department in accordance with the relevant Telecom Guidelines/Policy in vogue	The user agency has agreed.
13	The OFC cable shall be laid down in a trench not more than 2 metre in depth & 1 metre in width and after laying of the OFC, the ground will be suitably levelled and reclaimed	The user agency has agreed.
14	The User Agency shall construct retaining walls/breast walls/ rain water drainage on forest land and take all necessary steps to check soil erosion which may result due to proposed work	The user agency has agreed.
15	Any damage done to the forest by the User Agency or its contractors shall be charged from the User Agency@ 10 times as per the standard rate of 2018 issued vide the Government Order No: I O-FST of 2018 dated: 09.01.2018.	The user agency has agreed.
16	The forest land so allowed for use shall return to the Forest Department free of any encumbrances when it is no longer required by the User Agency.	The user agency has agreed.
17	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.
18	User Agency shall obtain Environment Clearance or any other clearance, if applicable under any act/rule/order/guideline etc for the proposal	The user agency has agreed.
19	After receipt of the compliance report on fulfilment of the conditions under para-2, above, final approval order shall be given under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The use of forest land will not be allowed till final approval is accorded.	The user agency has agreed.



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In views of the above, it is requested to accord the formal approval (Stage-II) in favour of User Agency.

For
Jio Digital Fiber Pvt. LTD



Authorised Signatory

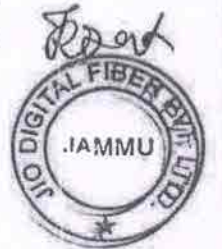
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UNDERTAKING BY USER AGENCY

I Khalid Shafqut Hafeez Bhat, Manager M/S JIO DIGITAL FIBER PVT. LTD. Laying of Optical Fiber Cable Kainthgali to Lali on the behalf of the User Agency JIO DIGITAL FIBER PVT. LTD. Undertaken and affirms as under:-

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Efforts should be made to fell minimum number of trees.
3. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
4. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
5. 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 or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
6. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
7. 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.
8. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
9. 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.
10. The User Agency shall abide by the procedures as per the Telecom Guidelines/Policy etc. in force, regarding installation of over ground infrastructure on forest land.
11. The User Agency shall pay any expenses/rent/fees etc. as applicable towards Forest Department in accordance with the relevant Telecom Guidelines/Policy in vogue.
12. The OFC cable shall be laid down in a trench not more than 2 metre in depth & 1 metre in width and after laying of the OFC, the ground will be suitably levelled and reclaimed.
13. The User Agency shall construct retaining walls/breast walls/ rain water drainage on forest land and take all necessary steps to check soil erosion which may result due to proposed work.



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14. Any damage done to the forest by the User Agency or its contractors shall be charged from the User Agency@ 10 times as per the standard rate of 2018 issued vide the Government Order No: I O-FST of 2018 dated: 09.01.2018.
15. The forest land so allowed for use shall return to the Forest Department free of any encumbrances when it is no longer required by the User Agency.
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.
17. User Agency shall obtain Environment Clearance or any other clearance, if applicable under any act/rule/order/guideline etc. for the proposal.
18. After receipt of the compliance report on fulfilment of the conditions under para-2, above, final approval order shall be given under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The use of forest land will not be allowed till final approval is accorded.

For
Jio Digital Fiber PVT.LTD



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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, UDHAMPUR

Phone No - 01992 270212, Fax No - 01992 271845, E mail id - sgudhampur@gmail.com

Subject: Issuance of FRA (Forest Right Act) Certificate for settlement of rights under the Forest Right Act 2006 proposed for diversion of 0.967 Ha of Forest Land for laying optical Fibre Cable in District Udhampur (Kainthgali to Lalli) to provide seamless 4G connectivity to be uploaded on PARVESH Portal.

In compliance with the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) Government of India vide No. 11-9/98-Fc (pt), dated 3rd August 2009; with regard to the submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Right) Act, 2006 (FRA) on the Forest land proposed to be diverted for Non-Forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated 5th January 2013; wherein MoEF issued certain exemptions/relaxations in respect of Linear Projects, it is certified that 0.967 hectares (19K-01M) of Forest land is required for laying optical fibre Cable in District Udhampur (Kainthgali to Lalli) to provide seamless 4G connectivity. The detail of the project is detailed below:

S.No.	Name of Project	Tehsils	Blocks	Approximate Forest Area involved
1.	Laying of Optical Fibre cable in District Udhampur (Kainthgali-Lalli)	Panchari & Mounгри	Panchari & Mounгри	0.967 Hectares

It is further certified that:

The complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 0.967 hectares of forest area proposed for diversion. As per MoEF issued vide No. F. No. 11-9/98-FC(9pt) dated 5th Feb. 2013 for linear projects like constructions of roads, canals, laying of **pipelines/optical fibre** and transmission lines etc., there is no requirement of resolution of the Gram Sabha of the area, based on full and prior information of the project and a public hearing, endorsing that the project is in the interest of the people living on the forest land, use of which is proposed to be diverted for non-forest purpose.

Tehsildars Panchari & Mounгри vide letter Nos. 166-167/TP/OQ, dated 24.05.2022 and 47/TM/OQ/2022-23 dated 25.05.2022 respectively have submitted that no recognized rights of Primitive Tribal Groups (PTG) and Pre Agriculture Communities (PAC) shall be affected in diversion of forest land for non forest use which is required for laying optical Fibre Cable in District Udhampur (Kainthgali to Lalli) to provide seamless 4G connectivity in District Udhampur.

Hence, based on the report of Tehsildar Panchari and Mounгри the Forest Rights Act (FRA) certificate is issued for forest land measuring 0.967 Hectares required for laying optical fibre Cable in District Udhampur (Kainthgali to Lalli) to provide seamless 4G connectivity, Tehsil Panchari & Mounгри, District Udhampur

No. DCU/SA/1214-18
Date: 29.06.2022

Krittika Jyotsna, IAS
Deputy Commissioner
Udhampur

Copy to the:

1. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu for kind information.
2. Divisional Forest Officer, Udhampur for information.
3. Tehsildar Panchari/Mounгри for information.
4. Jio Digital Fiber for information.
5. SQ section for record and reference.

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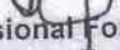
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Name of Project : Laying of Optical Fiber Cable (Kainthgali-Lali)
User Agency : M/s Jio Digital Fiber Private Limited
Proposal No. : FP/JK/OFC/144842/2021

Undertaking

With reference to the In-Principle approval accorded in case of FCA Case titled "Laying of Optical Fiber Cable (Kainthgali-Lali)" vide No.FST-LandOFC/111/2021-02 dated 14-12-2021, I, Divisional Forest Officer, Forest Division, Udhampur undertakes that:

1. The Compensatory Afforestation site of 0.11 Hectare in Co.28/P will not be changed without prior approval of the Competent Authority.
2. The KML file of the area to be diverted, the CA Area, the proposed SMC works, the proposed Catchment Area Treatment area and the WLMP area has been uploaded on the e-Green Watch Portal with all requisite details.
3. The Compensatory Afforestation will be carried out on degraded forest land as per the CA scheme and the fund will be provided by the User Agency. The plantation of 1000 tree per Ha. (or proportionately less if forest area diverted is less than 01 Ha.) will be done within one year from the date of issue of the approval.


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M/s Jio Digital Fiber Pvt. Ltd.,
Veer Tower, Deeli, Marble Market,
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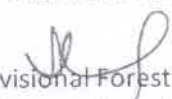
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Ref: Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir, Forest Ecology & Environment Department Civil Secretariat, J&K Jammu's In-Principal Approval No.FST-LandOFC/111/2021-02 dated 14.12.2021.

Sir,


In reference to the In-Principle approval issued by Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir, Forest Ecology & Environment Department Civil Secretariat, J&K Jammu's above cited letter communicated by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Nodal Officer (FCA) vide letter No. PCCF/FCA/3379/4236-38 dated 15.12.2021, kindly find enclosed herewith the Demand Note raised by this office for further necessary action at our end.

Yours faithfully,


Divisional Forest Officer
Udhampur Forest Division
Udhampur

Copy submitted to the:

1. Chief Conservator of Forests, Nodal Officer (FCA), for kind information.
2. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu for kind information.
3. Conservator of Forests, East Circle, Jammu for kind information.
4. Range Officer Panchari for information and necessary action.


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DEMAND NOTE

[Rule 8(b) of Forest (Conservation) Amendment Rules 2014]

Name of User Agency: M/s Jio Digital Fiber Pvt. Ltd.,

Name of Proposal: Laying of Optical Fiber Cable (Kainthgali – Lali)


As per Stage-I (In-Principle) approval accorded by the Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir, Forest Ecology & Environment Department Civil Secretariat, J&K Jammu vide No.FST-LandOFC/111/2021-02 dated 14.12.2021 under General approval under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 as per MoEF's earlier guidelines letter No.F.No.11-9/98-FC dated 03-01-2005 and No.246/2014-FC dated 3rd November, 2017 the amount of Compensatory Afforestation Levies are hereby charged as under:

(Amount in Rupees)

S. No.	Particulars	Amount
1	Compensatory Afforestation	₹ 45,731/-
	Total :	₹ 45,731/-

(Rupees Forty five thousand seven hundred thirty one only).

The above said payment shall be made through the web portal of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change www.parivesh.nic.in in appropriate bank account only.


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