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Sub.:- Proposal for diversion of 0.975 ha. Reserved forest land in favour M/s Reliance JIO Infocomm Ltd, Mumbai for construction of underground Optical Fiber Cable passing within the existing ROW of Shahada to Dhadgaon PWD Road (MSH-1) in Nandurbar Forest Division, Shahada.

No. : Desk-17/NC/II/ID 12598/(30)/ |437/2018-19 Nagpur – 440 001, Dated: |9|10/9018

To,

The Secretary (Forests), Revenue and Forests Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32

Ref:- Govt of Maharashtra, Revenue & Forest Department order No FLD-16A18/ CR-172/F-10 dated 23/05/2018.

In exercise of powers delegated to the Government of Maharashtra vide Government of India's order No. F.No.11-9/98/FC, dated 13/5/2011 and 07/09/2015, Government of Maharashtra conveyed in-principle approval for diversion of 0.975ha. of Reserved forest land in favour of M/s Reliance JIO Infocomm Ltd, Nagpur for construction of Optical Fiber Cable line passing within the existing ROW of Shahada to Dhadgaon PWD road (MSH-1) from Km 82/200 to Km 153/900 in different forest areas of Nandurbar Forest Division, Shahada under section 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 subject to fulfillment of the conditions stated in the letter under reference. The compliance of the conditions is furnished as under:-

Condit- ion No	Condition	Compliance
1	The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 1
2.	The compensatory afforestation will be raised on 2.00 ha of degraded forest land at forest Compt No 587 of Dudhkheda beat in Sahada range, Tal-Shahada, Distt-Nandurbar at the cost	Rs. 19,18,496/- in CAMPA saving account No 150786418167852 through NRFT vide bank reference

	of Project Authority.	23/05/2018 towards the cost of compensatory afforestation on 2.00ha degraded forest land at forest compt No 587, of Dudhkheda bear in Sahada range, Tal-Shahada, Distt-Nandurbar.Copy of online payment history is enclosed as Annexure 2
3.	The optical Fiber Cable Line will be laid within maximum size of the trench of 1.00 meter depth & 0.45 meter width with cable line under the PVC pipeline.	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 3
4	The land under project will be reclaimed by the user agency for which the agency shall submit a bank guarantee at the rate of Rs. 50/- per running meter and an undertaking to that effect shall also be submitted. If the agency fails to reclaim the land to the satisfaction of Deputy Conservator of Forests concerned, the cost for reclamation will be recovered from the bank guarantee.	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 4
5	If the cable is going to be laid in the formation width of the road, then additional charges in form of bank guarantee shall be given at the rate of Rs.35/- per running mtr. Similarly for reclamation of side drain and for tarred portion, the guarantee will be at the rate of Rs. 300/- per mtr. and Rs.750/- per mtr. respectively. An undertaking shall be obtained from the user agency that it has agreed to make good any loss to Forest/Environment while laying the cable in the forest area and during maintenance of the same in future.	The user agency submitted that the Bank Guarantee for Rs. 16,95,500/- and as per demand note of PWD Rs. 27,26,200/- has been paid. Documents of this effect are enclosed as Annexure 5
6	For further maintenance of the project, the agency shall obtain permission from the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests as and when required	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 6
7.	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the Proposal.	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 7

8.	No felling of trees shall done during the implementation of project.	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 8
9.	No new forest area beyond the Right of Way of existing road should be broken for laying Optical Fiber Cable.	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 9
10.	The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Dhule shall report the details of amount recovered from the Project Authority towards the cost of compensatory afforestation at prevalent rate and all other cost required as per rules in due course of time.	The user agency has deposited Rs. 19,18,496/- in CAMPA saving account No 150786418167852 through NRFT vide bank reference No N143180546827039 dated 23/05/2018 towards the cost of compensatory afforestation on 2.00ha degraded forest land at forest compt No 587, of Dudhkheda bear in Sahada range, Tal-Shahada, Distt-Nandurbar. Copy of online payment history is enclosed as Annexure 2
11.	This sanction is subject to the final clearance by the Department of Information & Technology for the Project and Shahada to Dhadgaon PWD road.	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 10
12.	The User Agency will make good the land after use/maintenance.	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 11
13.	All the amount received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred to the Ad-hoc CAMPA in A/c No. SB01025218 of Corporation Bank, Block-11, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003 and compliance will be reported to this office.	19,18,496/- in CAMPA saving account No 150786418167852 through NRFT vide bank reference No N143180546827039 dated 23/05/2018 towards the cost of compensatory afforestation on 2.00ha degraded forest land at forest compt No 587, of Dudhkheda bear in Sahada range, Tal-Shahada, Distt-Nandurbar. Copy of online payment history is enclosed as Annexure 2 and Remittance proforma is enclosed as Annexure 12
14.	The user agency will be authorized to lay the Optical Fiber Cable outside the confines of the protected area after compliance of this order. Any breach of the conditions by the user agency	e undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 13

	will be treated as violation of the provision of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.	
15.	All the conditions stipulated by the Forest Department shall be binding on the User Agency	The user agency has submitted the undertaking is enclosed as Annexure 14
16.	The final approval shall be granted by the State Government after fulfillment of the above conditions by the user agency. The actual diversion of forest land shall be effected thereafter by the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Dhule.	Norms will be followed and complied.

In view of the above, it is requested that the Government of Maharashtra may kindly be moved to issue formal approval under section 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

Encl.: As above

Draft Approved by Addi. P.C.C.F.& N.O.M. S.Nagpur

For Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer Maharashtra State, Nagpur

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