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Sub:- Diversion of 12.0225 ha forest land in favour of EHV Project Division M.S.E.T.C.L. Kalyan for construction of laying of 220 KV LILO M/C Transmission Line on 220 KV Padghe-Wada and Kolshet-Wada Transmission Line for 400 KV Kudus Sub-Station passing through Thane District in the State of Maharashtra. Proposal Number FP/MH/TRANS/48241/2020- in principle approval - regarding.

No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-48241/Thane/1955/2025-26
Nagpur – 440 001, Date :- 21/11/2025

To,
The Deputy Director General (Central)
Ministry of Environment, Forests, and Climate Change,
Regional Office, Ground Floor, East Wing,
New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines,
Nagpur- 440001.

- Ref:- 1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur letter No. F.No.FC-II/MH-201/2022-NGP/14610, dated 29/08/2025
2. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane letter No. Desk-10/FCA/A-20/C.R.19/22-23/104,dated 10/11/2025.

Sir,

The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Regional Office, Nagpur conveyed the 'in-principle' approval for diversion of 12.0225 ha forest land in favour of EHV Project Division M.S.E.T.C.L. Kalyan for construction of laying of 220 KV LILO M/C Transmission Line on 220 KV Padghe-Wada and Kolshet-Wada Transmission Line for 400 KV Kudus Sub-Station passing through Thane District in the State of Maharashtra. Accordingly, the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter under reference no.2 has submitted compliance of conditions of in-principle approval to this office. The compliance report of the conditions of in-principle approval was furnished vide letter dt.20/10/2023.

Sr.No	Conditions put forth by Govt. of India letter dtd 29/08/2025	Compliance
1	The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure -I)
2	The diverted forest area shall be fenced and the demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted

	out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of the User Agency	compliance:- The User Agency has deposited Rs.19,08,760/- towards cost of Boundary Pillars to CAMPA account through UTR No.SBIN525302291106, dated 29/10/2025. The copy of the same is herewith as (Annexure No.II)
3	The State Forest Department shall carryout Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over 25.00 ha. Degraded Forest Land identified at Compartment no. 394E, 545, Survey/Gut no. 288 and 58, Village-Palsa, Shikara, Taluka-Mukhed, Hadgaon, District-Nanded, at the cost of the User Agency. The State Government shall ensure to plan 1000 trees per ha of DFL and in case it is not possible to accommodate required number of plants, then remaining number of trees shall be raised in the nearby Degraded Forest area as per the working plan prescription;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over 25.00 ha. Degraded Forest Land identified at Compartment no. 394E, 545, Survey/Gut no. 288 and 58, Village-Palsa, Shikara, Taluka-Mukhed, Hadgaon, District-Nanded, The User Agency has deposited Rs.1,82,31,004/- towards cost of Compensatory Afforestation to CAMPA account through UTR No.SBIN525302291106, dated 29/10/2025. The copy of the same is herewith as (Annexure No.II)
4	The land identified and earmarked for compensatory afforestation shall be treated and afforested by the State Government as per the approved compensatory afforestation plan and the work of compensatory afforestation shall be carried out in time bound manner:	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –IV)
5	The degraded forest land identified for CA and the approved CA scheme shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government and the State Forest Department shall ensure that the amount realized from the User Agency towards CA should not be left unspent;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –V)
6	Considering the fact that, the proposed area for diversion is already diverted for rehabilitation of 5 villages from Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary (for agricultural and residential plots) and some forest area has been transferred to the Revenue Department for land distribution to landless people. The State Government informed that the area could not be available under	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has deposited Rs.29,41,866/- towards cost of Dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) to CAMPA account through UTR No.SBIN525302291106, dated 29/10/2025. The copy of the same is herewith as (Annexure No.II).

	<p>the conductor for plantation of dwarf species, preferably medicinal. Hence, the State Forest Department shall raise and maintain dwarf medicinal plants over such extant of area in the nearby degraded forest area at the cost of the UA. Details of such area i.e. map, KML. Scheme etc shall be submitted to the RO Nagpur for record and monitoring purpose;</p>	<p>The details of Medicinal Plantation Area i.e. Map, KML file, Plantation Scheme Suitability Certificate etc. has been submitted herewith as (Annexure No.VI)</p>
7	<p>The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value of the diverted forest land measuring 12.0225 ha from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 28.03.2008 and 09.05.2008 in IA Nos.826 in 566 with related IA's in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995 and Ministry's guideline No. 5-3/2011-FC(Vol-I) dated 06.01.2022 and clarification issued vide letter dated 19.01.2022 and 22.03.2022;</p>	<p>The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:-</p> <p>The User Agency has deposited Rs.1,34,27,930/- towards cost of Net Present Value to CAMPA account through UTR No.SBIN525302291106, dated 29/10/2025. The copy of the same is herewith as (Annexure No.II).</p>
8	<p>The State Government shall realize 5 times the penal NPV over an extent of forest area reported to be under violation. The realization of Penal NPV & simple interest shall be recovered as per the provision of ministry's guidelines;</p>	<p>The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:-</p> <p>The User Agency has deposited Rs.2,33,939/- towards cost of Penalty for Violation to CAMPA account through UTR No.SBIN525302291106, dated 29/10/2025. The copy of the same is herewith as (Annexure No.II).</p>
9	<p>The State Government has reported that, the concerned DFO has already filled case under 3A/ 3B under VSSA, 1980 in the jurisdictional court. Hence, the State Government shall ensure to submit detailed report periodically to this office and apprise the case status without fail;</p>	<p>The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:-</p> <p>The Dy.CF, Thane has stated that. Agreed and undertake that the condition mentioned in the Stage-I. The State Government will submit detailed report periodically and apprise the case status without fail (Annexure No.IX)</p> <p>The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure -IX)</p>
10	<p>Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due</p>	<p>The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted</p>

	after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;	compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –X)
11	All the funds received from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/);	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- All the funds under the project are deposited to CAMPA fund through e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/). Copy of payment Challan, Copy of the Bank Statement, Copy of Payment Status on Parivesh 1.0 and User Agency has submitted certificate is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.XI & II)
12	The State Government shall obtain all applicable clearances including that of NBWL, if required;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The Dy.CF, Thane has stated that the User Agency has obtained necessary clearance from Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) M.S.Nagpur vide letter No. Desk-23 (2)/WL/Survey/CR65/2811, dated 08/10/2024. In this regard, the User Agency has submitted an certificate and documents is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.XII)
13	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred / sublet to any other agency. department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XIII)
14	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XIV)
15	The User Agency shall provide fire wood preferably alternate fuel to labourers working at the site to avoid damage/tree felling;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XV)

16	The User Agency shall maintain required RoW and shall comply with all other conditions as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry time to time for the transmission line projects;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XVI)
17	Disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers & staff engaged in execution of work do not destruct nearby forest flora & fauna;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XVII)
18	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 12.0255 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XVIII)
19	The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the transmission line projects;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XIX)
20	Any other conditions that the Central Government or DOG (Central) of Regional Office, Nagpur may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the User Agency;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XX)
21	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the User Agency is liable for penal action as per provision of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and rules/ guidelines / notifications made there under;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XXI)
22	The State Government or Union territory Administration and the user agency shall also monitor, at least once every year, the compliance of conditions imposed during 'In-Principle' approval and upload the monitoring report in the online portal;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane & Chief Conservator of Forests, Thane vide letter dated 04/11/2025 & 10/11/2025 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted undertaking. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure –XXII)

23	The State Government shall process and submit compliance report on the above conditions through online (https://parivesh.nic.in/);	The compliance is being submitted online on Parivesh Portal.
24	The State Government shall issue working permission only after ensuring compliance to all such condition (s) as per the provision of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules 2023 and obtaining all clearance I approval from the all Acts, Rules, Regulation from the competent authorities.	After, issuance of FRA certificate by the Collector, Thane vide letter No.RB/Desk.IV/T.2/FRA/NoC/CR-17/2022, dated 26/06/2024. (Annexure No.XIII). The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane has issued working permission vide letter No.Desk-10/FCA/C.R.19/275/25-26, dated 10/11/2025. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as (Annexure No.XIV)

This is for your information and further needful action.

Encl : As above

Your sincerely,

(Handwritten signature and date 28/11/25)

(Naresh Zurmure)

**Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer**

Copy submitted to the Additional Chief Secretary (Forests), Revenue & Forest Department, Mantralaya Mumbai -32 for information.

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane for information.

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests (T), Thane for information.

Copy to the Executive Engineer, MSETCL, EHV Construction Divison, Kalyan-421301 for information.



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Date : - 10/11/2025

Letter

✓ To,

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
and Nodal Officer, M.S. Nagpur.

Subject :- Proposal for diversion of 12.0225 ha. Forest land for construction and laying of 220 KV LILO M/C. Transmission Line for 400 KV Kudus Sub Station passing through Thane District in the State of Maharashtra.

Ref. :- 1) Government of India, MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur letter F. No. FC-II/MH-201/2022-NGP/14610, dated 29.08.2025.

2) Your office letter No.Desk-17/S2/PID-48241/Thane/2025-26/1302, dated 02.09.2025.

3) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane letter No.Desk-25/A/Survey/FCA/1161, dt.04.11.2025.

Government of India, MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur has accorded In-principle approval for the subject proposal vide reference No. 1 subject to fulfilment of conditions stipulated in In-principle.

2.00 Accordingly, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane has submitted the compliance of the same vide Reference No.3. This office agrees with the same.

3.00 Three copies of compliance received from Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane are enclosed herewith for further necessary action.

Encl :- As stated.


(N.R.Praveen)

Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane.

Copy forwarded to The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Thane for information & necessary action.

Copy forwarded to Shri. Vijay B. Aware, Executive Engineer, MSETCL, EHV Construction Division, Kalyan - 421 301 for information and necessary action.