OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (HEAD OF FOREST FORCE), MAHARASHTRA STATE, NAGPUR

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Sub:- Diversion of 10.3391 ha. Forest land in favour of MSETCL, Thane for construction of 220 KV LILO M/C Transmission Line on 220 KV Tarapur-Borivali and Boisar-Ghodbunder Transmission Line for 400 KV Kudus substation passing through Thane District in the State of Maharashtra-reg

No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-48321/Thane/ /2024-25 Nagpur – 440 001, Date :- 17 09 2024

To, The Principal Secretary (Forest), Revenue & Forest Department,

Mantralaya, Mumbai -32

Ref:- 1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, New Delhi letter dated 08/07/2024

2. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane letter No. Desk-10/FCA/CR-14/22-23/OW/196/24-25, dated 10/09/2024.

Sir,

The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Regional Office, Nagpur conveyed the 'in-principle' approval for diversion of 10.3391 ha. Forest land in favour of MSETCL, Thane for construction of 220 KV LILO M/C Transmission Line on 220 KV Tarapur-Borivali and Boisar-Ghodbunder Transmission Line for 400 KV Kudus substation 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.08/07/2024

Sr.No	Conditions	Compliance
i	Legal status of Diverted forest land shall remain unchanged	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-1).
ii	The penalty for violation shall be 5 times the NPV for the area used in violation plus 12% simple interest from the date of raising of such demand till the deposit is made;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has deposited amount of Penalty for violation 5 times the NPV for the area used in violation plus 12% simple interest for Rs. 527258/- to MAHARASHTRA CAMPA, A/c No. 150786448321646, Union bank of India, IFCS code UBIN0996335, Bengluru by NEFT/RTGS Challan. (Annexure-2)

iii	The State shall initiate action under	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest
111	section 3A and 3B of Van (Sanrakshan	Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane
	Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 as	vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has
	may be applicable for violation of the	submitted compliance:-
	provisions of the said Adhiniyam	
	against such person or authority or	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking
	organization, prima-facie found	regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed
	responsible for the violation;	herewith as. (Annexure-3).
iv	A plan for conservation of wildlife shall	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest
	be prepared by the user agency in	Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane
	consultation with the forest department,	vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has
	which shall be approved by the chief	submitted compliance:-
	wildlife warden. The plan so approved	
	shall be implemented at the cost of user	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking
	agency;	regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed
	-57,	herewith as. (Annexure-4).
V	The user agency shall transfer the cost of	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest
•	raising and maintaining the	Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane
	compensatory afforestation at the	vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has
	prevailing wage rates as per	submitted compliance:-
	compensatory afforestation scheme and	
	the cost of survey, demarcation and	The User Agency has deposited amount of
	erection of permanent pillars if required	Compensatory Afforestation with fencing for
	on the CA land shall be deposited in	Rs.1,77,47,688/- to MAHARASHTRA CAMPA
	consultation with state Forest	(CAMPA) A/c No. 150786448321646 Union bank of
	department in the account of CAMPA of	India IFCS code UBIN0996335, Bengluru by
	the concerned state through online	NEFT/RTGS Challan. (Annexure -2).
	portal. The CA will be maintained for 10	
	years. The scheme may include	
	appropriate provision for anticipated	•
	cost increase for works scheduled for	
	subsequent years;	
vi	The User Agency shall transfer the	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Fores
	funds towards the cost of Net Present	Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Than
	Value (NPV) of the forest land being	vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 ha
	diverted under this proposal in	
	accordance with the guidelines in the	I I it I sweamt of NID
	matter;	The User Agency has deposited amount of NPV
		10.1.40,55,0757
		(CAMPA) A/c No. 150786448321646 Union bank of India IFCS code UBIN0996335, Bengluru b
		NEFT/RTGS Challan. (Annexure-2)
vii	The time of payment of the Net present	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Fore Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Than
	value (NPV) at the present rate, the user	1 10000001
	agency shall furnish an undertaking to	
	pay the additional amount of NPV, if so	submitted compliance:-
	determined, as per the final decision of	The Hear Agency has substitted an undertaking
	the Honble supreme court of India;	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking this. The copy of the same is enclosed
		regarding this. The copy of the same is enclose
		herewith as. (Annexure-5).
viii	The user agency shall install circuit	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Fore
	breakers at suitable places besides	Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), That vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 h
	maintain necessary ground clearance to	
	prevent electrocution of wild animals;	submitted compliance:-

		
ix	No approach road shall constructed in the forest area for transportation of steel and other material required for the transmission line. As far as possible the user Agency shall use the existing road and the proposed RoW for the transportation of the material and in the event of non-availability of such	The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-6). The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-7).
	facilities, the user agency shall transport material manually without construction of any path;	
х	Minimize the felling for construction of transmission line, user agency shall comply with the following guidelines:	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
1 mm		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-8).
	a) Below each conductor, width clearance would be permitted for carrying the tension stringing equipment. The tress on such strips may be felled but after stringing work is completed, the natural regeneration will be allowed to come up;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed
	b) One outer strip may be left clear to permit maintenance of the transmission line.	herewith as. (Annexure-9). The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-10).
	c) In the remaining width the right of way felling/pollarding/pruning of tress will be done with the permission of the local forest officer whenever necessary to maintain the electrical clearance, trees shall be allowed to be felled or lopped to the extent required, for preventing electrical hazards by maintaining the minimum clearance between conductors and trees. The sag and swing of the conductors are to be kept in view whil working out the minimum clearance mentioned as above;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-11).

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	State Forest Department prepare a detailed scheme for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) in	Division vide let submitte	and Chief Conter dated 05/d compliance:-	nservato <u>r of For</u> /09/2024 & 1	Dahanu Forest rests (T), Thane 10/09/2024 has
	right of way under the transmission line, and provide funds for execution of the said scheme to the State Forest Department; and	the right possible presence Report	t of way under due to the pre- e of Forest R of RFO, B	r the transmiss esence of Rock ights Certificat Bhatane has	ion lines is not y strata and the holders. The been attached.
	e) In case a portion of the transmission lines to be constructed is located in hilly areas, where adequate clearance is already available, tress shall not be cut.	Division vide le submitte	and Chief Co etter dated 05 ed compliance:-	nservator of Fo 5/09/2024 &	Dahanu Forest rests (T), Thane 10/09/2024 has
		regardir	ng this. The c	copy of the sa	an undertaking ime is enclosed
xi	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector;	Division vide le	n and Chief Co	onservator of Fo 5/09/2024 &	Dahanu Forest prests (T), Thane 10/09/2024 has
		regardi	ng this. The o	copy of the sare-14).	an undertaking
xii	KML files of the area under diversion and the accepted area for raising compensatory afforestation in the E-		n and Chief Co etter dated 0 ted compliance:	onservator of F 5/09/2024 &:-	, Dahanu Forest orests (T), Thane 10/09/2024 has
	green watch portal of FSI, before handing over forest land to the user agency;	the E-C	Green Watch Po ed for raising (paded.	Compensatory	e User Agency in IL file of the area Afforestation wil
xiii	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/deposited in CAMPA account only through e-portal	Division vide submit	on and Chief C letter dated (tted compliance	Conservator of F 05/09/2024 & ::-	s, Dahanu Fores Forests (T), Than 10/09/2024 ha
	(https://parivesh.nic.in/); Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the stage-I	to MA	Amount of Rs. : HARASHTRA s are as below.	3,33,71,998/- ha CAMPA thro	as been transferre ugh e-portal. Th
	clearance;	actuin	Particulars	Amount transferred to MAHARA SHTRA CAMPA (Rs.)	Details of Amount Transferred
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		1 2	Penal NPV CA	527258 17747688	transferred to

		4 Cement Pillars 243177 1507864116 830152 Date 19/8/2024 Total 33371998
		(Annexure- 2).
xiv	Forest land will be handed over only after required non-forest land in the project is obtained by the user agency;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-15).
xv	The cost of felling of tress shall be deposited by the user agency with the State Forest Department;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		User Agency has Deposited total Rs.4,78,329/- to Deputy Conservator of forest Jawhar towards felling of trees on the diverted forest land through DD No. 694692, Dated:-29.08.2024. & User Agency has Deposited total Rs.3,82,507/- Deputy Conservator of forest Dahanu towards felling of trees on the diverted forest land DD No. 694694, Dated:-29.08.2024.(Annexure-16).
xvi	The User Agency shall restrict the felling of tress to minimum numbers in the diverted forest land and tress shall be felled under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted an undertaking
xvii	The User Agency shall explore the possibility of translocation of maximum number of tress identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that to under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;	Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking
xviii	The R&R plan shall be implemented as per the R&R Policy of State Government in consonance with National R&R Policy, Government of India before the commencement of the project work and implementation. The said R&R plan will be monitored by the State Government/Regional office of	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-19).
	MoEF&CC along with indicators for monitoring and expected observable milestones;	

xix	The User Agency shall obtain the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 20).
XX	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the user agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the laborers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-21).
xxi	The boundary of the diverted forest land, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
	from pillar to pillar and GPS coordinates;	The User Agency has deposited amount of Cement Pillars for diverted area Rs.2,43,177/- to MAHARASHTRA CAMPA (CAMPA) A/c No. 150786448321646 Union bank of India IFCS code UBIN0996335, Bengluru by NEFT/RTGS Challan. (Annexure-2)
xxii	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;	vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 22).
xxiii	No damage of the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 23).
xxiv	The layout plan of the proposal shall no be changed without the prior approval o the Central Government;	t The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-24).

XXV	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for the execution of this project;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 25).
xxvi	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favor of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 26).
xxvii	The user agency in consultation with the State Government shall create and maintain alternate habitat/home for the avifauna, whose nesting trees are to be cleared in this project. Bird's nests artificially made out of eco-friendly material shall be used in the area, including forest area and human settlements, adjoining the forest area being diverted for the project;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 27).
xxviii	The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forests in the surrounding area;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed
xxix	The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Integrated Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year regularly;	herewith as. (Annexure-28). The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:- The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-29).
XXX	The User Agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-30).

xxxi	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 Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 31).
xxxii	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.16 of consolidated guidelines and clarifications issued under Van (sanraksham Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 as issued by this Ministry on dated 29.12.2023;	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance: The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure- 32).
xxxiii	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in/).	The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division and Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Thane vide letter dated 05/09/2024 & 10/09/2024 has submitted compliance:-
		The User Agency has submitted an undertaking regarding this. The copy of the same is enclosed herewith as. (Annexure-33).

In view of the above facts, the aforesaid compliance submitted for further needful action.

Encl: As above

(Naresh Zurmure) Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer

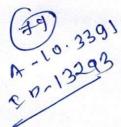
Copy submitted to the Principal Secretary (Forest), Revenue & Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai -32 for information.

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

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu Forest Division, Dahanu for information.

Copy to the Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, Kalyan, Tejashree Building, 2nd floor, Jahangir Ground, Karnik Road, MSETCL, Kalyan (W), Dist. Thane-421301 for information.









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Desk-10/FCA/CR- 14/22-23/OW- 196 /24-25

Dated: \0/09/2024

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur - 440 001.

Subject: - Proposal for diversion of 10.3391 ha. Forest land for construction and laying of 220 KV LILO M/C Transmission Line on 220 KV Tarapur-Borivali and Boisar-Ghodbunder Transmission Line for 400 KV Kudus Sub Station passing through Palghar District in the State of Maharashtra.

Ref.:- 1) Government of India, MoEF & CC letter dated 08.07.2024.

- 2) Your office letter No.Desk-17/S2/PID-48321/Thane/2024-25/845, dated
- 3) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu's letter No.A/20/FCA/880, dt.05.09.2024.

Government of India, MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur has accorded Stage-I approval subject to fulfillment of conditions stipulated in Stage-I approval to the subject proposal vide Reference No. 1.

Accordingly, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu has submitted the compliance of conditions stipulated in Stage-I approval vide Reference No.3. As per condition no. iv, xi & xviii the User Agency has not submitted Wildlife Conservation Plan, FRA 2006 Certificate and R&R Plan respectively.

Three copies of the compliance received from Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu are enclosed herewith for your information and further necessary action.

Encl. :- As Stated.

K. P= 10/9/24 (K. Pradeepa)

Chief Conservator of Forests (T.), Thane

Copy forwarded to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dahanu for information & necessary action.

Copy to Executive Engineer, MSETCL, EHV Construction Division, Kalyan - 421 301, for information and necessary action.

Sheetal Raut/English/148) 10.3391 ha. Tarapur-Borivali and Boisar-Ghodbunder Txn line