

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
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Guindy - Chennai - 32.

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to
Government,
Environment, Climate Change and
Forests Department,
Secretariat, Chennai 9.

Ref. No. TS4/1044/2021, Dated: 01.12.2023.

Madam,

Sub: Forests – Pudukkottai Forest Division – Trichy Forest Circle – For diversion of forest land to an area of 0.0069 ha for laying underground Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) in Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur across Ammankurichy RF to a distance of 228.60 m for providing 4G wireless Broadband – Stage-I approved – Compliance Report sending - Regarding

- Ref: 1. Online proposal uploaded by the User Agency (i.e) M/s Jio Digital Fibre Private Ltd, Mylapore, Chennai, letter dt.07.01.2021 (Proposal No: FP/TN/OFC/118876/2021).
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai, Ref. No: TS4/1044/2021, dt.24.02.2023.
3. Government Ltr.No.1273/FR.10/2023-1, dt.03.04.2023.
4. Government of India, Integrated Regional Office, Chennai, F.No.4-TNB101/2023-CHN/580, dt.11.05.2023.
5. Compliance Report uploaded by the User Agency on 11.08.2023.
6. District Forest Officer, Pudukkottai, C. No. 5397/2022/D, dt. 23.09.2023.
7. Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy, C. No. 14174/2022/D, dt. 05.10.2023.

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I wish to inform that, the User Agency i.e. M/s Jio Digital Fibre Private Ltd, Mylapore, Chennai has uploaded the Compliance report for the conditions stipulated by the Government in Stage I approval for diversion of forest land of 0.0069 ha of forest land for laying underground Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) in Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur across Ammankurichy Reserved Forests in Pudukkottai District. The contents of the Compliance report are as follows.

Sl. No.	Compliance stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of conditions/ reply
i.	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	The User Agency has given an undertaking that the legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
ii.	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting of 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the appropriate distance as decided by the District Forest Officer concerned, at the cost of User Agency.	The User Agency has erected 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered for each and every turning at an interval of visible distance of 50 meters has been laid and also assured to maintain the demarcation stones for the entire project diversion period.
iii.	Full exemption of NPV is allowed in case of laying of underground OFC cable provided no felling of trees is involved and area proposed for diversion is outside of Protected Area as per the MoEF&CC guidelines. But in case an amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due 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 has given an undertaking that in case an amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government.

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	The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect:	
iv.	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mtr depth, 228.6 mtr length and 0.30 mtr width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same;	The User Agency has given an undertaking that the maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mtr depth, 228.6 mtr length and 0.30 mtr width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.
v.	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government	The User Agency has given an undertaking that the layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
vi.	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	The User Agency has given an undertaking that no labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
vii.	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 machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	The User Agency has given an undertaking that 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 machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.
viii.	Sufficient fire wood, 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	The User Agency has given an undertaking that Sufficient fire wood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from

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	Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
ix.	No tree felling shall be carried out by the User Agency	The User Agency has given an undertaking that No tree felling shall be carried out by the User Agency.
x.	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, development or person without prior approval of the Central Government	The User Agency has given an undertaking that forest land proposed for diversions shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, development or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
xi.	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.0069 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The User Agency has given an undertaking that the total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.0069 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
xii.	User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;	The User Agency has given an undertaking to comply any other conditions imposed by the Conservator of Forests and District Forest Officer in the interest of Conservation / protection and development of forest.
xiii.	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer (Central) of the Integrated Regional Office, Chennai may impose from	The User Agency has given an undertaking to comply any other conditions imposed by the Central Government or Regional Officer

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	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;	(Central) of the Integrated Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area.
xiv.	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.	The User Agency has given an undertaking that in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.

Hence, I enclose herewith the Compliance report furnished by the User Agency along with connected undertakings / documents, report of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy and the report of the District Forest Officer, Pudukkottai Division and request that the above report may kindly be forwarded to Government of India (Regional Office, Chennai) for getting Stage - II approval for diversion of forest land of 0.0069 ha of forest land for laying underground Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) in Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur across Ammankurichy Reserved Forests in Pudukkottai District in favour of M/s Jio Digital Fibre Private Ltd, Mylapore, Chennai for a period of 20 years.

Encl.: As stated above.

Yours faithfully

S. S. S. S.
For Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

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01/12/23

TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From:

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Thiru.N.Satheesh,I.F.S.,
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Tiruchirappalli Circle,
Tiruchirappalli - 620 023.
E.mail: ccftrichycircle@gmail.com

To:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
[Head of Forest Force],
Forest Head Quarters,
Guindy Velachery main road,
Near Kannigapuram Check post,
Guindy, Chennai - 600 032.

C. No. 14174/2022/D, Dated: 05.10.2023.

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Sir,



Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 - Pudukkottai
Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.0069 ha of Forest land
for laying of underground optical fiber cable in Vaiyampatti
to Konnaiyur MDR 729 Ammankurichi RF for providing 4G
Wireless Broadband - in Pudukkottai District compliance
report submission of - Regarding.

- Ref : 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest
Force), Chennai Ref.No.TS4/1044/2021 dated.01.09.2023.
2. District Forest Officer, Pudukkottai, C.No.
5397/2022/D, dated 23.09.2023.

With reference to the above, I submit that the, Compliance report
submitted by the District Forest Officer, Pudukkottai in the reference 2nd
cited. The above report submitted herewith, the compliance report and
undertaking certificates for, diversion of Forest land of 0.0069 Ha for laying
underground optical fiber cable along road side form Ammapatti to
Ammankurichi between Vaiyamaptti to Konnaiyur (MDR 729) Ammankurichi
RF to a distance of 228.60 m for providing 4G Wireless Broadband,
Pudukkottai District in favour of Reliance Jio Infocomm limited., Chennai.

Encl : As stated above

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- N.Satheesh
Chief Conservator of Forests,
Trichirappalli

/T.c.b.o./

Senior Draughting Officer

Sd/-
5/10/23

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From

Thiru. S. Ganesalingam, B.Sc., M.A.,
District Forest Officer
Pudukkottai - 622 004.
E-mail: dgoff@pudukkottai.tn.gov.in

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Head of Forest Force,
Chennai - 32.

Through:

Chief Conservator of Forests,
Trichy - 23.

C.No. 5397/2022/D Date: 23/09/2023

Sub.

Forest - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Pudukkottai Forest Division -
Proposal for diversion of 0.0069 ha. of forest land in Ammankurichi R.F. for
laying underground Optical Fibre Cable along road side from Ammapatti to
Ammankurichi between Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur (MDR 729) in favour of
M/s. Jio Digital Fibre (P) Ltd., Chennai - Completion reports of Stage I
forest clearance - Submitted - Reg.

- Ref: 1) The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate
Change Lr.No.F.No.4-TNB101/ 2023-CHN/580, dt.11.05.2023.
2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai C.No.TS4/ 1044/2021
dt.15.05.2023.
3) The District Forest Officer, Pudukkottai C.No.5397/2019/D dt.12.06.2023.
4) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (HoFF) Chennai Ref.No.1044/
2021 Date:10.08.2023.
5) The Chief Conservator of Forests, Trichy Circle, Trichy Ref.No.14174/
2022/D Date:11.09.2023.

With reference to the above subject, I submit that the compliance report on the fulfillment of conditions stipulated in the stage I approved under section 2 of forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.0069 Ha., of forest land for laying underground Optical Fibre Cable along road side from Ammapatti to Ammankurichi between Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur (MDR 729) passing through Ammankurichi RF in Pudukkottai forest division as follows.

Condition No.	Conditions Stipulated by Environment, Climate Change & Forest Department.	Undertakings submitted by the User Agency.
I	The legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged	We ensure that the legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests. U/A undertaking is enclosed.
II	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting of 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the appropriate distance as decided by the District Forest Officer	User Agency has erected 4 ft height C.C pillars duly numbered at an interval of 50m.

	concerned, at the cost of User Agency.	
III	Full exemption of NPV is allowed in case of laying of underground OFC cable provided no felling of trees is involved and area proposed for diversion is outside of Protected Area as per the MoEF & CC guidelines. But in case an amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due 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;	A separate Undertaking user agency is enclosed.
IV	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mtr depth, 228.6mtr length and 0.30 mtr width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same;	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
V	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed with out the prior approval of the Central Government	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
VI	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
VII	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 machinery, labourer sand staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct near by forest flora and fauna.	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
VIII	Sufficient fire wood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the laborer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
IX	No tree felling shall be carried out by the User Agency	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
X	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, development or person without prior approval of the Central	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.

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XI	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.0069 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
XII	User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Act, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
XIII	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional Officer(Central) of the Integrated Regional Office, Chennai 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;	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.
XIV	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.	A separate Certificate user agency is enclosed.

Compliance report along with enclosure is furnished in hard copy.

Since the conditions stipulated in the Government of Tamilnadu letter have been fulfilled, I request that Government of Tamilnadu orders may please be issued for stage II final approval for 0.0069 Ha. of forest land for laying underground Optical Fibre Cable along road side from Ammapatti to Ammankurichi between Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur (MDR 729) passing through Ammankurichi RF in Pudukkottai forest division.

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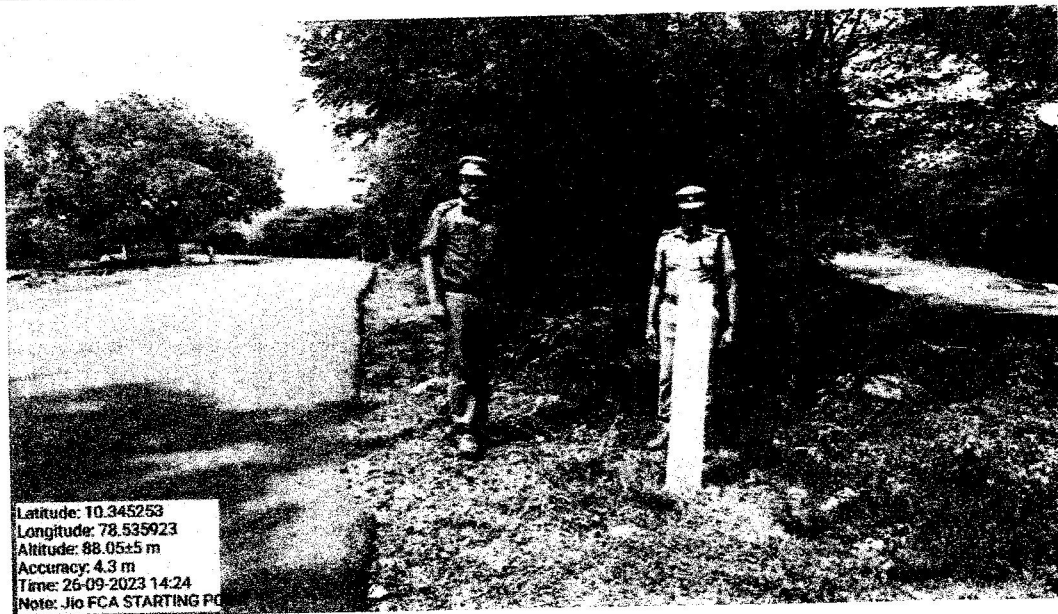
Enclosed: As Stated Above.

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Yours Faithfully,
Sd/- S.Ganesalingam
District Forest Officer,
Pudukkottai.


For Superintendent. 29/9/2023

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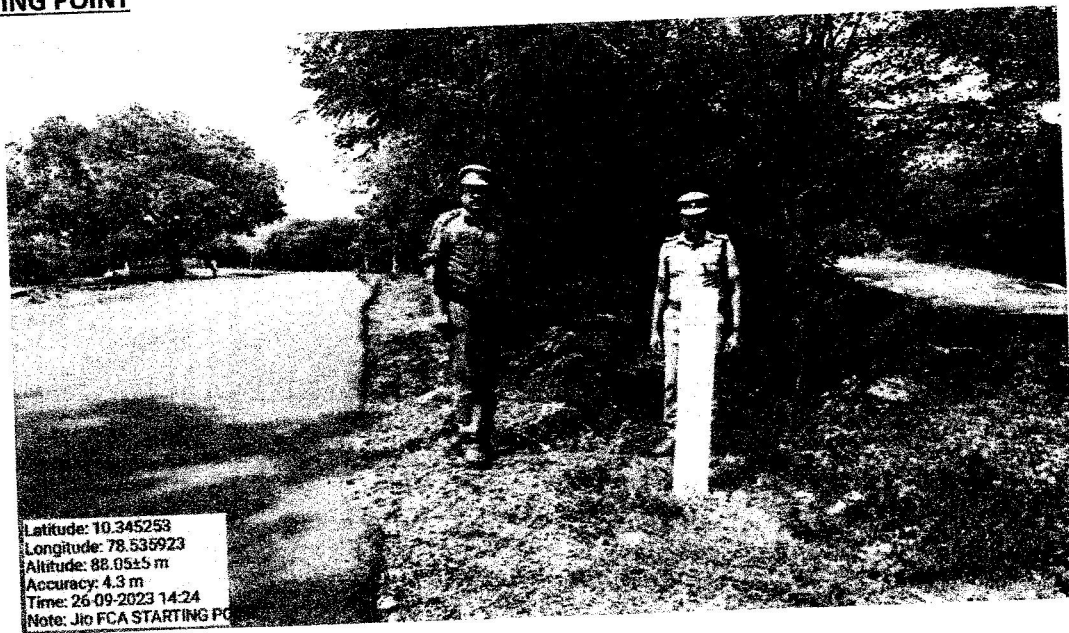
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Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited

No.89, Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai, Mylapore, Chennai - 600 004.

From

T.T. Balsamy,
State Coordinate Officer,
Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited,
No.89, Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai,
Mylapore, Chennai - 4.

To

The District Forest Officer,
Pudukkottai Forest Division,
Pudukkottai.

Sir,

Sub: Forest – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Pudukkottai Forest Division – Proposal for diversion of 0.0069 ha. of forest land in Ammankurichi R.F. for laying underground Optical Fibre Cable along road side from Ammapatti to Ammankurichi between Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur (MDR 729) in favour of M/s. Jio Digital Fibre (P) Ltd., Chennai – Demand for Stage I forest clearance – Compliance report submission of – Regarding.

- Ref: (1) The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change Lr.No.F.No.4-TNB101/ 2023-CHN/580, dt.11.05.2023.
(2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai C.No. TS4/1044/2021 dt.15.05.2023.
(3) District Forest Officer, Pudukkottai Ref.No. 5897/2019/D dt. 12.06.2023 and 26.06.2023.

With reference to the above subject, I submit that the compliance report on the fulfilment of conditions stipulated in the Stage I approval under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.0069 ha. of forest land for the use underground OFC works along the road side from Ammapatti to Ammankurichi between Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur (MDR 729) passing through Ammankurichi R.F. in Pudukkottai Forest Division, as follows:

Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
(i)	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	Legal status of the forest land will remain unchanged. An undertaking is enclosed.
(ii)	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting	Demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement

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Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
	of 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the appropriate distance as decided by the District Forest Officer concerned, at the cost of User Agency.	concrete pillars duly numbered for each and every turning at an interval of visible distance of 50 meters has been laid and also assured to maintain the demarcation stones for the entire project diversion period.
(iii)	Full exemption of NPV is allowed in case of laying of underground OFC cable provided no felling of trees is involved and area proposed for diversion is outside of Protected Area as per the MoEF&CC guidelines. But in case an amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due 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;	A separate " undertaking " is enclosed in this regard.
(iv)	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mtr depth, 228.6 mtr length and 0.30 mtr width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same;	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.

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Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
(v)	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(vi)	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(vii)	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 machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(viii)	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the laborer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(ix)	No tree felling shall be carried out by the User Agency	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(x)	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, development or person without	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.

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Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
	prior approval of the Central Government	
(xi)	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.0069 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(xii)	User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Act, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(xiii)	Any other conditions that the Central Government or Regional officer (Central) of the Integrated Regional Office, Chennai 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;	A separate " Certificate " is enclosed in this regard.
(xiv)	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.	A separate " Undertaking " is enclosed in this regard.

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Compliance report along with enclosures is furnished in hard copy and uploaded in the web portal.

Since the conditions stipulated in the Government of India letter have been fulfilled, I request that Government of India orders may please be issued for Stage - II final approval for 0.0069 ha of forest land for laying of underground Optical Fibre Cable along road side from Ammapatti to Ammankurichi between Vaiyampatti to Konnaiyur (MDR 729) through Ammankurichi R.F., in Pudukkottai Forest Division for approval.

Encl.: As stated above.

Yours faithfully

Authorized Signatory,
M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited,
Chennai

Copy to

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Chennai-32.

The Conservator of Forests, Trichy Circle.