

**TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From  
Thiru Ashok Upreti, IFS.,  
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
(Head of Department),  
Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet,  
Chennai - 600 015.

To  
The Additional Chief Secretary to  
Government,  
Environment Climate Change and  
Forests Department,  
Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.

**Ref. No. TS4/3876/2019 dated. 09.03.2022**

Madam,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – SMTR, Madurai Circle / Theni Forest Division – Diversion of 0.039 ha of forest land for laying of OFC along road side of Andipatti-Usilampatti road section (AndipattiGhat) in Madurai-Kochin NH 49 via Sasthakovil, Thimmarasanaicknanur village in across Andipatti South RF in Andipatti –Compliance report uploaded by the user agency, Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai - Regarding.

- Ref:
1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency - Thiru.T.T. Balsamy, SCO, RelianceJioInfocomm Ltd., Chennai (FP/TN/Others /38131/2019).
  2. Government letter No. 3733/FR-10/2021, dt. 13.07.2021 and 06.01.2022.
  3. Government of India, MoEF & CC, IRO, Chennai F.No:4-TNB 073/2021/CHN/813 dated 31.08.2021.
  4. Compliance report uploaded by the user agency on 06.01.2022.
  5. Conservator of Forests& Field Director, SMTR, Madurai C.No:599/2020 /D1 dated 23.02.2022.
  6. District Forest Officer, Theni C.No:1305/2019/D dated 15.02.2022.

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With reference to the Government of India letter 3<sup>rd</sup> cited, I wish to furnish herewith the Compliance report on Stage I approval accorded by the Government for the diversion of 0.039 ha of forest land for laying of OFC along road side of Andipatti-Usilampatti road section (AndipattiGhat) in Madurai-Kochin NH 49 via Sasthakovil, Thimmarasanaicknanur village across Andipatti South RF in Andipatti Taluk, Theni district.

Sl. No	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
i	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	Legal status of forest land will remain unchanged. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
ii	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars, duly numbered, at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of user agency.	Demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars, duly numbered, at an interval of 20 meters has been carried out by the User Agency.



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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 Areas as per the MoEF&CC Guidelines. But in case, an amount of the 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.	For the execution of the project, no tree felling will be carried out and the project area located outside the Protected Area. Undertaking to pay the Net Present Value and additional amount of Net Present Value if any fixed in future, that amount will be remitted. In this regard, separate undertaking is enclosed.
iv	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mts depth, 1.30 km length and 0.30 mts width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.	Maximum size of the trench will not exceed 2.00m depth and 0.30 mts width for the entire length of 1.30 km. After completion of the OFC cable laying work, trenching area will be restored to its original state. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
v	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The layout plan of the proposal will not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
vi	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	No labour camp will be established on the forest land. Combined undertaking 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, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	For the compliance of the condition, combined undertaking is enclosed.
viii	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 of the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	For the compliance of the condition, combined undertaking is enclosed.



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ix	No tree felling shall be carried out by the user agency.	No tree felling will be carried out. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
x	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.	Forest land proposed for diversion under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
xi	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.039 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The total forest area utilized for the project will not exceed 0.039 ha and the forest area diverted will not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
xii	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 such project.	The user agency shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and guidelines for the time being in force, as applicable to the project. Combined undertaking is enclosed. The Forest Department will also ensure compliance to the provisions of all Acts Rules & Regulations and Guidelines as applicable to the project.
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.	The user agency has given its undertaking that 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. Combined undertaking 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.	The user agency has given its undertaking that in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions is liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines. Combined undertaking is enclosed.

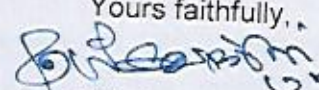
The compliance report was verified and stated that all conditions are complied by the user agency.




Since the conditions stipulated in the Government of India letter 3<sup>rd</sup> cited have been full-filled by the User Agency, I request that Stage - II final approval for diversion of 0.039 ha of forest land for laying of OFC along road side of Andipatti-Usilampatti road section (AndipattiGhat) in Madurai-Kochin NH 49 via Sasthakovil, Thimmarasanaicknanur village across Andipatti South RF in Andipatti Taluk, Theni District for a period of 20 years may be obtained from the Government of India and communicated early.

Encl: as above

Yours faithfully, .

  
for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Department)

  
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By Email / Courier llp**TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARMENT**

From  
Thiru.Deepak S. Bilgi, IFS.,  
Conservator of Forests and  
Field Director, Srivilliputhur  
Megamalai Tiger Reserve,  
Madurai - 2.

To  
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Head of Department  
Chennai - 15.

**C.No.599/2020/D1 Date: 22.02.2022**Sir,

Sub: Forests - Forests (Conservation) Act 1980 - Madurai Circle / Theni Forest Division - For diversion of 0.039 ha forest land for laying of OFC along road side of Andipatti - Usilampatty road section (AndipattiGhat) in Madurai - Kochin NH-49 via Sasthakovil, Thimmarasanaicknanur village in across Andipatti South RF in Andipatti - Online proposal submission by the User Agency i.e. Thiru.T.T.Balsamy, SCO, Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai - Compliance report submission - Regarding.

- Ref: 1) Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Chennai. F.No.TNB 073/2021 - CHN/812, Dt.31.08.2021  
2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai. Ref.No.TS4/3876/2019 Dated. 19.01.2022  
3) District Forest Officer, Theni. Ref.No.1305/2019/D, Dt.15.02.2022

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I submit that the compliance report called for in the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests on the above subject has been received from the District Forest Officer, Theni vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited and enclosed herewith for favour of kind perusal.

Encl:- As above

Yours faithfully,  
Sd/-Deepak S. Bilgi,  
Conservator of Forests and Field Director,  
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve,  
Madurai.

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Sr.Draughting Officer

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23/02/22



TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From  
**Tmt. C. Vidhya, I.F.S.,**  
District Forest Officer,  
Theni Forest Division,  
Theni.

To  
**The Principal**  
**Chief Conservator of Forests,**  
(Head of the Department)  
Panagal Maligai, Saidapet,  
Chennai - 15

(through **Conservator of Forests**  
& **Field Director, SMTR, Madurai**)

C.No. 1305/2019/D dated 15.02.2022

Sir,

Sub : Forests - Diversion of 0.039 Ha. of forest land for laying of Optical Fiber Cable along road side of Andipatti - Usilampatti road section (Andipatti Ghat) in Madurai - Koachin NH-49 via Sasthakovil, Thimmarasa - Naickanur Village across Andipatti South Reserved Forest in Andipatti in favour of M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited - Stage - I approval accorded - Submission of Compliance Report - Reg.

- Ref: 1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Chennai, F.No. 4-TNB 073/2021-CHN/813, dated 31.08.2021  
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai Ref. No. TS4/3876/2019 Dt. 19.01.2022  
3. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Madurai C.No. 599/2020 dated 08.09.2021  
4. User Agency letter reference Nil. Dated Nil. Received on 04.01.2022

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With reference to the above subject and reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited, I submit that the full-fledged compliance report in triplicate is enclosed herewith.

This for favour of kind information.

Encl : As above

Yours faithfully,  
Sd/- C. Vidhya,  
District Forest Officer,  
Theni Forest Division, Theni.

Copy submitted to the Conservator of Forests, Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai Circle, Madurai for kind information.

/t.c.b.o/

Superintendent

15/02/2022



**COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR THE CONDITIONS STIPULATED IN  
STAGE – I APPROVAL.**

**Project :-**

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**Proposal No :-**

FP/TN/Others/38131/2019

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iv)	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mtr depth, 1.30 Km length and 0.30 width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same;	The User Agency has given undertaking that the maximum size of the trench will not exceed 2.00 m depth and 0.30 mts width for the entire length of 1.30 km. After completion of the OFC cable laying work, trenching area will be restored to its original state;
v)	The layout plan of the proposed shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;	The User Agency has given undertaking that the layout plan of the proposal will not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;
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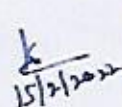
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 District Forest Officer,  
 Theni Forest Division, Theni.

 15/2/2022





Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited  
No.89, Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai, Mylapore, Chennai - 600 004.

To

The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central)  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change,  
Integrated Regional Office,  
Additional Office Block for GPOA,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road,  
Nungambakkam, Chennai 600 006

(through proper channel)

Sir,

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5) *Thenu DFO CNO: 1305/2019/D dated 14/10/21*

With reference to the above letters cited, the Compliance report on the fulfilment of conditions stipulated in the Stage I approval for diversion of 0.039 ha of forest land for laying of underground OFC along road side of Andipatti-Usilampatti road section (Andipatti ghat) in Madurai-Kochin NH-49 via Sasthakoil, Thimmarasanaicknanur village across Andipatti South Reserved Forests in Andipatti in Theni Forest Division is furnished as below.

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 forest land will remain unchanged. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
ii	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars,	Demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars, duly numbered, at

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	duly numbered, at an interval of 20 meters at the cost of user agency.	an interval of 20 meters has been carried out.
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 Areas as per the MoEF&CC Guidelines. But in case, an amount of the 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	For the execution of the project, no tree felling will be carried out and the project area located outside the Protected Area. Undertaking to pay the Net Present Value and additional amount of Net Present Value if any fixed in future, that amount will be remitted. In this regard, separate undertaking is enclosed herewith.
iv	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mts depth, 1.30 km length and 0.30 mts width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.	Maximum size of the trench will not exceed 2.00m depth and 0.30 mts width for the entire length of 1.30 km. After completion of the OFC cable laying work, trenching area will be restored to its original state. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
v	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The layout plan of the proposal will not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
vi	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	No labour camp will be established on the forest land. Combined undertaking 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, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	For the compliance of the condition, combined undertaking is enclosed.



Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
viii	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 of the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	For the compliance of the condition, combined undertaking is enclosed.
ix	No tree felling shall be carried out by the user agency.	No tree felling will be carried out. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
x	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.	Forest land proposed for diversion under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
xi	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.039 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The total forest area utilized for the project will not exceed 0.039 ha and the forest area diverted will not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
xii	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 such project.	The user agency ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and guidelines for the time being in force, as applicable to the project. Combined undertaking 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.	The user agency has given its undertaking that 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. Combined undertaking is enclosed.





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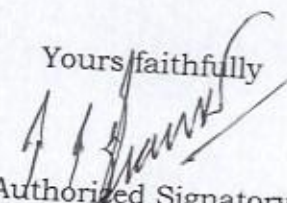
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Compliance report along with enclosures is furnished in hard copy and uploaded in the web portal.

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 0.039 ha of forest land for laying of underground OFC along road side of Andipatti-Usilampatti road section (Andipatti ghat) in Madurai-Kochin NH-49 via Sasthakoil, Thimmarasanaicknanur village across Andipatti South Reserved Forests in Andipatti in Theni Forest Division favour of M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai for a period of 20 years.

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 Department), Saidapet, Chennai-15.

The Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai and District Forest Officer, Theni Forest Division, Theni.

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**COMBINED UNDERTAKING**

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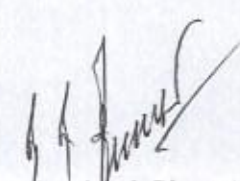




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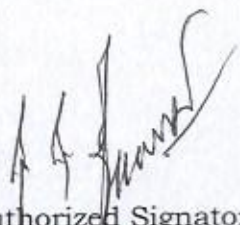
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### UNDERTAKINGS

We, M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited given undertaking that the Net Present Value of the diverted forest area if any fixed as per the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and Forest Conservation Act, 1980 guidelines and additional Net Present Value of forest land if any fixed in future as per the value fixed by the Govt. of India for the proposed forest diversion area will be paid.



Authorized Signatory,  
M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited,  
Mylapore, Chennai-4.