

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan
Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road
New Delhi-110003
Dated: 20-11-2025

To

The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central),
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change,
Regional Office, Nagpur

Sub.: Proposal for Ex-post facto approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for Diversion of 6.0760 ha of reserved forest land for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati in Taluka - Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019) - regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited proposal and to say that the Stage-I approval was granted by this Ministry in the instant case vide letter dated 20.03.2025.

One of the conditions in the Stage-1 approval at Sr no(ii) is as under:

The Regional Office, Nagpur shall initiate action under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable).

In compliance to the said condition at Sr no. (ii) of the Stage-I approval, the State Government vide letter dated 22.11.2023 has submitted the detailed violation report along with the names of officers responsible for violation (copy attached).

In view of the above, the Regional Office Nagpur is requested to initiate the action under section 3A/3B of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable).

Yours faithfully,

Digitally signed by
SUNEET BHARDWAJ
Date: 20-11-2025
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Sd/-
(Suneet Bhardwaj)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
2. PCCF (HoFF), Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.

Fwd: Forest Land-Nagpur. Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka-Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

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Date: Mon, 06 Oct 2025 21:49:38 +0530

Subject: Fwd: Forest Land-Nagpur. Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka-Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

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Inspector General of Forests,
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change,
Government of India
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Cc: "FC Division MEFCC" <fcdiv-mefcc@gov.in>

Date: Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:45:10 +0530

Subject: Fwd: Forest Land-Nagpur. Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka-Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

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Subject: Fwd: Forest Land-Nagpur. Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka-Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

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Subject: Fwd: Forest Land-Nagpur. Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka-Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

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Date: Mon, 06 Oct 2025 16:25:59 +0530

Subject: Forest Land-Nagpur. Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka-Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find the attached file.

Regards,
Desk Vane - 10,
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai 400 032.

Director General of Forests & Special Secretary
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
Government of India

1 Attachment(s)

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Government of Maharashtra

By Speed Post

No. FLD-2022/C.R.309/F-10
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032.
Date: 06/10/2025.

To,

The Secretary,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Government of India,
Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
New Delhi.

Sub:- Forest Land-Nagpur.

Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka-Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra. (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

Ref: 1. Your Office Letter, No. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/115289, Dt.10.06.2025.
2. APCCF & Nodal Officer Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-38296/Nagpur/ 1413/25-26 Nagpur, Dated : 18.09.2025.

MoEF&CC, Government of India has sought additional information with respect to the proposal for diversion of 6.0760 ha. of Forest land (Zudpi Jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV project division, Amravati in Taluka Katol, District Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra vide letter under reference no.1.

2. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur has submitted compliance report to the Government of Maharashtra vide letter under reference no.2, Compliance Report submitted by the APCCF & Nodal Officer is self-explanatory and attached herewith for further necessary action in the matter..



(Subhash Rathod)
Under Secretary to the
Government of Maharashtra
Under Secretary

Revenue and Forests Department
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya
Mumbai 400 032

Encl: As above.

Copy to:

1. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
2. Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur.
3. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur.
4. The Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division MHETCL, Amravati.



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Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forests Force),
Maharashtra State.

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer,

1st Floor, B Wing, Van Bhavan, Ramgiri Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur- 440 001

Tel.No.: 0712- 2556916 , E-mail: apccfmodal@mahaforest.gov.in

No. : Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-38296/Nagpur/ 1413 /25-26
Nagpur- 440 001, Dated: 18/09/2025

To,

The Deputy Director General (Central),
MoEF &CC, Regional Office,
Ground Floor, East Wing, New Secretariat Building,
Civil Lines, Nagpur- 440 001

Sub: Diversion of 6.0760 ha of forest land (Zudpi jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati in Taluka- Katol, District-Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)- regarding.

Ref: 1. Government of India, MoEF&CC (Forest Conservation Division) letter No. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/115289, dtd. 10.06.2025.
2. The Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur letter No. Desk-10/Land/C.R.1096/818, dtd. 12.09.2025

The Government of India vide letter under reference No.1 raised certain queries. Accordingly, the Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur, vide letter under reference No. 2, has submitted the compliance report to this office.

In the view of the above, it is requested that necessary action may kindly be initiated under Section 3A/3B of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 at the earliest at your level.

Encl: As above.

For: 18/9/25

(Naresh Zurmure)

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer

✓ Copy submitted to the Principal Secretary (Forests), Revenue & Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mumbai-32 for information (1-Copy)

Copy to:

1. The Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur
2. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur
3. The Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division MHETCL, Prakash Sarita, A Wing, Ground Floor, Admin Building, Morshi Road, Amravati.

मुद्रा-2321
23.9.25

23/3/25

वनसंरक्षक (प्रादेशिक), नागपूर वनवृत्त, नागपूर यांचे कार्यालय

(नवीन प्रशासकिय इमारत, वन भवन, शासकीय मुद्रणालया जवळ, नागपूर 440 001.)

(Land Line No - 0712-2564569, Email-id : ccfnagpur@mahaforest.gov.in)

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दिनांक : १२ सप्टेंबर 2025

प्रति,

अपर प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक व केंद्रस्थ अधिकारी,
महाराष्ट्र राज्य, नागपूर.

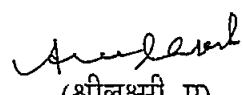
विषय:- Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of forest land (Zudpi jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati in Taluka Katol, District Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra . (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

संदर्भ:- 1. केंद्र शासन पत्र क्र. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/115289, दिनांक 10/06/2025.
2. आपले कडील पत्र क्र. कक्ष-17/FCA/नागपूर/589, दिनांक 12/06/2025.
3. उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांचे कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्र. कक्ष-11/वनसंवर्धन/696, दि.03/09/2025.

केंद्र शासनाचे संदर्भिय पत्र क्र 1 अन्वये विषयाकिंत प्रस्तावात 1 ते 2 मुद्दे उपस्थित केलेले असुन आपलेकडील संदर्भिय पत्र क्र 2 अन्वये सदर 1 ते 2 मुद्यांची माहिती सादर करणेबाबत कळविलेले होते.

त्याअनुषंगाने उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांनी संदर्भिय पत्र क्र 3 अन्वये केंद्र शासन पत्रात उर्पास्थित 1 ते 2 मुद्यांची पुर्ता करून अहवाल या कार्यालयास सादर केलेला असुन, सदर अहवालाचे संस्करण करून अहवाल आपणाकडे पुढील कार्यवाहीस सादर करण्यात येत आहे.

सहपत्र :- वरिलाप्रमाणे


(श्रीलक्ष्मी. ए)
वनसंरक्षक (प्रा), नागपूर
वनवृत्त, नागपूर

प्रतिलिपी:- उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना माहितीस.

प्रतिलिपी:- कार्यकारी अभियंता, ईएचव्ही प्रोजेक्ट डिवीजन एमएसईटीसीएल, प्रकाश सरिता, ए-बिंग, तळमजला, प्रशासकिय बिल्डींग, मोरी रोड, अमरावती यांना माहिती व आवश्यक कार्यवाहीस अप्रेषित.

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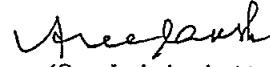
COMPLIANCE REPORT

MoEF & CC letter no. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/115289, Dt.10/06/2025.

Querry Compliance

Diversion of 6.0760 ha. of forest land (Zudpi jungle) for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati in Taluka Katol, District Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra . (FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

Sr.No.	Conditions	Compliances
i	In compliance of condition No (ii), the State Government has submitted the violation report and action taken report of DFO, Nagpur wherein it has been reported that POR has been filed against Project Authority under IFA, 1927, However as per said condition it was mentaioned that the Regional Office, Nagpur shall initiate action under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable). However, the State Gonvernement has submitted Action Taken Report in view of action initiated by the Regional Office, Nagpur under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable) which needs submission.	As per the compliance report submitted by User Agency & DCF Nagpur, the context of ensuring required action with reference to the provision of 3A/3B of the Adhiniyam, the details are already submitted in the earlier compliances by this office vide letter no. 1266 dt.30/11/2023 to Nodal Office, Nagpur. Nodal Office, Nagpur which has submitted to Government of Maharashtra vide letter no. Desk-17/FCA/2598, dt.05/12/2023 regarding violations and action taken report. (Copy enclosed)
ii	It is pertinent to mention here that the State is repeatedly referring to the action under IFA, 1927 whereas, as per the stipulated condition the action under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 needs to be initiated. The State shall therefore provide the requisite details of the responsible officials/inquiry report to the Regional office so that the Regional Office can initiate the action under 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.	As above.


(SreeLakshmi. A)
Conservator , of Forest,s
(Territorial), Nagpur.

Place :Nagpur
Date : 12/09/2025



Government of Maharashtra

Forest Department

Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur Division, Nagpur
 IIIrd floor, New Administrative Building, Vanbhawan, Near Government Press, Zero Miles, Nagpur
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No. Desk-11/Conservation/CR. 265/2024-25 696

Nagpur, Dated 03/08/2025

Sub: - Diversion of 6.0760 ha of forest land in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar substation to 220KV Ward substation transmission line in Taluka- Katol, District- Nagpur .
 Proposal No. FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019

To,
 The Conservator of Forests,
 Nagpur Circle, Nagpur.

Ref.: 1. Government of India, MoEFCC Delhi E-Sign letter dated 10/06/2025
 2. User Agency Letter No. MSETCL/EE/EHV/Proj/Dn/Amt/Tech/01193, dated 07/08/2025.

The Government of India vide letter under reference no.1 has raised 2 points under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Accordingly, we are submitted desired information on the 1 to 2 points as mentioned therein:-

Sr. No.	Points	Compliances
i.	In compliance of condition No. (ii), the State Government has submitted the violation report and action taken report of DFO, Nagpur wherein it has been reported that POR has been filed against Project Authority under IFA, 1927, However as per said condition it was mentioned that the Regional Office, Nagpur shall initiate action under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable). However, the State Government has not submitted Action Taken Report in view of action initiated by the Regional Office, Nagpur under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable) which needs submission.	In the context of ensuring required action with reference to the provision of 3A/3B of the Adhiniyam, the details are already submitted in the earlier compliances by the Deputy Conservator of Forests (T) Nagpur letter no. Desk-11/ Conservation / 1072, dt.22/11/2023 which has been forwarded by CF, Nagpur vide letter no. Desk-10/Land/1266, dt.30/11/2023 to Nodal Office, Nagpur which has been submitted to Govt. of Maharashtra vide letter no. Desk-17/FCA/2598, dt. 05/12/2023 regarding violations and action taken report. (Copy enclosed)
ii.	It is pertinent to mention here that the State is repeatedly referring to the action under IFA, 1927 whereas, as per the stipulated condition the action under section 3A/3B of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 needs to be initiated. The State shall therefore provide the requisite details of the responsible officials/ inquiry report to the Regional office so that the Regional Office can initiate the action under section 3A/3B of the Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.	As above

Enclosure - As above.

(Dr. Vinita Vyas, IFS)
 Deputy Conservator of Forests,
 Nagpur Division, Nagpur

Copy submitted to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S. Nagpur for information.
 Copy to Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, MSETCL, Prakash Sarita, A Wing, Morshi Road, Amravati for information.

राज्यपाल लक्ष्मीनारायण, नवाजी
क्रमांक 4333 तिथि 14 जून 2020
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मार्गदर्शक, नागपूर
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INFORMATION

MAHARASHTRA STATE ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION COMPANY LIMITED
(CIN No. U40109MH2005SGC153646)

Office of the Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division
"Prakash Sarita" Administrative Building, A-Wing, Ground Floor,
220 KV Sub Station Premises, Morshi Road, Amravati-444 603.

Tel : (O) 0721-2669168

No.: MSETCL/EE/EHV/PROJ/DN/AMT/Tech/

Email ID :- ee1620@mahatransco.in

Date :

NO 1193

07 AUG 2025

To,

Dy. Conservator of Forests,
Nagpur, Maharashtra State.

Sub.: Proposal for Ex-post facto approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (SanrakshanEvamSamvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 6.0760 ha of reserved forest land for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati in Taluka Katol, in the State of Maharashtra (Online No. District-Nagpur FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019) - regarding.

Ref.: 1. Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division). Dt.10/06.2025.
2. Letter received from DCF Nagpur No.726 Dt.06.08.2025.

With reference to above subject, please find detailed compliance for MoEFCC query letters as per ref. no. (1) above.

Sr. No.	Query	Compliance
i.	<p>In compliance of condition No. (ii), the State Government has submitted the violation report and action taken report of DFO, Nagpur wherein it has been reported that POR has been filed against Project Authority under IFA, 1927. However as per said condition it was mentioned that the Regional Office, Nagpur shall initiate action under section 3A/3B of Van (SanrakshanEvamSamvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable). However, the State Government has not submitted Action Taken Report in view of action initiated by the Regional Office, Nagpur under section 3A/3B of Van (SanrakshanEvamSamvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (as applicable) which needs submission.</p>	<p>The said compliance comes under the purview of Regional office Nagpur.</p>

ii.	<p>It is pertinent to mention here that the State is repeatedly referring to the action under IFA, 1927 whereas, as per the stipulated condition the action under section 3A/3B of Van (SanrakshanEvaSamvardhan) Adhiniyam,1980 needs to be initiated. The State shall therefore provide the requisite details of the responsible officials/inquiry report to the Regional office so that the Regional Office can initiate the action under section 3A/3B of the Van (SanrakshanEvaSamvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.</p>	<p>The said compliance pertain to Regional office Nagpur.</p>
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Submitted for kind information and further needful please.

Encl.: As above.

Yours Faithfully


 (Jayant Waghmare)
 Executive Engineer,
 EHV Project Division, MSETCL,
 Amravati.

Copy to s.w.r to:

The Superintending Engineer, EHV Project Circle, MSETCL, Amravati.

Copy to:-

Addl. Ex. Engineer, S & I Sub Division, Amravati.

Government of Maharashtra

By Speed Post

No. FLD-2022/CR-309/F-10
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032.
Date:- 27.05.2024

To,

The Secretary,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Government of India,
Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
New Delhi.

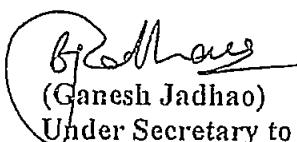
Sub:- Forest Land-Nagpur

Diversion of 6.0760 ha. Reserved Forest Land for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra.

Ref:- 1) Govt. of Maharashtra even number letter dtd. 17.04.2023.
2) MoEF&CC, GoI, Nagpur Letter F.No. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/12871, Dt.14.02.2024.
3) APCCF and Nodal Officer, Nagpur, letter No. Desk-17 / FCA-S1 / PID-38296 / Nagpur /37, Dt.15.05.2024.

The Government of Maharashtra vide aforementioned letter in reference had submitted proposal for diversion of 6.0760 ha. Reserved Forest Land for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra.

2. Subsequently, Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Government of India, Nagpur has informed that the proposal involves work in violation of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and hence as per the provision of sub (2) & (5) of Rule 10 of the Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, the competent authority to deal such cases is the MoEF&CC, New Delhi, vide letter under reference No.2.
3. Now, Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur is requested to forward this proposal for approval, vide letter under reference no.3
4. Therefore, Government of India is hereby requested to grant approval to this proposal under Section-2 (ii) of the of Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.


(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to
the Government of Maharashtra
Under Secretary
Revenue and Forests Department
Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya
Mumbai 400 032

Encl:- As above.

Copy:-

- 1) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
- 2) Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
- 3) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & CWLW, Nagpur
- 4) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & C.E.O, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur
- 5) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
- 6) Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur.
- 7) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur.
- 8) Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, MSETCL, Amravati.
- 9) Select File (F-10)

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Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forests Force),
Maharashtra State.

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer,
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Query Compliance

No. : Desk-17/FCA-S1/PJD-38296/Nagpur/37/
Nagpur- 440 001, Dated: 5/05/2024

To.

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Revenue & Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 32.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 6.0760 ha. Reserve Forest Land for laying of 220 KV
Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission Line in Nagpur
District in the state of Maharashtra.

Ref : 1) Government of India, MoEF&CC,Regional office, Nagpur letter No. FC-II/MH-
216/2023-NGP12871 dtd.14/02/2024
2) The Conservator of Forests (T),Nagpur letter No. Desk-10/Land/C.R.1096/2024-
25/194 dt.13/05/2024

Sir,

The Government of India, MoEF&CC,Regional office, Nagpur vide letter under reference
No.1 has raised two points .

Accordingly, Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur vide letter under reference No. 2 has
submitted the compliance reports on 2 points to this office. The report as desired by the
Government of India vide letter dated 14/02/2024 is being submitted as under:

Sr. No.	Points	Compliance
i.	The committee noted that under the Van (Sanrakshan Evar Samvardhan) Rules 2023 adopted w.e.f. 01.12.2023, vide sub rule (16)(8)(ii) r/w sub rule 10 (2) & (5), the competent authority to process such proposals is the MoEF&CC New Delhi as it involves ex-post facto approval for violation of the provisions of the Van (Sanrakshan Evar Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980.	The state government is requested to send the proposal in MoEF&CC, New Delhi.

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ii.	<p>In the view of the above rule position the committee decide to return the proposal to the State Government with a request to initiate action on violators as per the provision of 3A/3B of the Adhiniyam first and after ensuring the required action and identification of the suitable non forest area for Compensatory Afforestation the State Government may submit the proposal to the MoEF&CC, New Delhi for further examination and process under Van (Sanrakshan Evarn Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980.</p>	<p>In the context of ensuring required action with reference to the provision of 3A/3B of the Adhiniyam, the details are already submitted in the earlier compliances by the Deputy Conservator of Forests (T) Nagpur letter no. Desk-11/Conservation /1072, dt.22/11/2023 which has been forwarded by CF, Nagpur vide letter no. Desk-10/Land/1266, dt.30/11/2023 to our office which has been submitted to Govt. of Maharashtra vide letter no. Desk-17/FCA/2598, dt. 05/12/2023 regarding violations and action taken report.</p> <p>The details disclose that the offence was committed unintentionally by the user agency and have exercised all due diligence to prevent such offence by issuing warning letters to concerns. User agency, being MSETCL (State Government institution), the penalty with provision of penal NPV at the rate of 20% of 5 times the NPV with 12% simple interests till the deposit is proposed and it is accepted by the user agency.</p> <p>In the context of identification of the suitable non forest area for Compensatory Afforestation in line with para 13.4(b) of Adhiniyam Gazette Notification dated 29/11/2023 which provides special dispensation for Transmission line projects with raising Compensatory Afforestation over double degraded forest land for double area is already enclosed with the proposal submitted. Compensatory Afforestation land has been proposed over 12.50 ha. degraded forest land in Compartment No. 251 Gut no. 328 Beat Rampur, Round -Koli, Range Ghatanji (T) at village</p>
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		Kurhad of Pandharkawada Forest Division of Yaotmal District Yavatmal.
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In the view of the above, it is requested that the Government of Maharashtra may kindly forward this proposal for approval under Van (Sanrakshan Evarn Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 at the earliest.

Encl: As above 2 copies.

Yours sincerely,



(Naresh Zurmure)

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer

Copy forwarded for information to:

1. The Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur, Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur.
2. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur.
3. The Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, MSETCL, Amravati.



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वनसंरक्षक (प्रादेशिक), नागपूर वनवृत्त, नागपूर यांचे कार्यालय

(नवीन प्रशासकिय इमारत, वन भवन, घेवसे रुक्कल-सुमोर, नागपूर-440 001.)
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दिनांक: 13 मे, 2024

प्रति,

अपर प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक व केंद्रस्थ अधिकारी,
महाराष्ट्र राज्य, नागपूर.

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विषय:- Diversion of 6.0760 ha. forest land in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division Amravati for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar- substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in Taluka-Katol District Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra-regarding.

संदर्भ:- 1. केंद्र शासन पत्र क्र FC-I/MH-216/2023-NGP/12871, दिनांक 14/02/2024.
2. आपले कडील पत्र क्र कक्ष-17/2/नोडल/PID/38296/3194, दिनांक 15/02/2024.
3. या कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्र कक्ष-10/जमीन/प्र.क्र.38/4929, दिनांक 29/02/2024.
4. उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांचे कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्र कक्ष-11/वनसंवर्धन/127, दि.06/05/2024.

विषयाकिंत प्रकरणी केंद्रशासनाचे संदर्भिय पत्र क्र 1 अन्वये उपस्थित केलेल्या त्रुट्यांची पुर्तता करणेबाबत आपलेकडील संदर्भिय पत्र क्र 2 अन्वये कळविण्यात आलेले होते. त्याअनुषंगाने या कार्यालयाचे संदर्भिय पत्र क्र 3 अन्वये उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना केंद्र शासन पत्रात नमुद त्रुट्यांची पुर्तता करून अहवाल सादर करणेबाबत कळविलेले हाते.

उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांनी संदर्भिय पत्र क्र 4 अन्वये त्रुटींची पुर्तता करून अहवाल या कार्यालयास सादर केलेला असुन सदर अहवालाचे संस्करण करून अहवाल आपणाकडे सादर करण्यात येत आहे.

सहपत्र:- वारिलाप्रमाणे

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(श्रीलक्ष्मी.ए)

वनसंरक्षक (प्रा),

नागपूर वनवृत्त, नागपूर

प्रतिलिपी:- उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना माहितीस.

प्रतिलिपी:- कार्यकारी अभियंता, EHV Project Division MSETCL, प्रकाश सरिता, ए विंग, तळमजला, प्रशासकिय विल्डिंग, मोर्शी रोड, अमरावती यांना माहिती व आवश्यक कार्यवाहीस अग्रेषित.

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COMPLIANCE REPORT

Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur, letter no. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/12871, dtd. 14.02.2024

Diversion of 6.0760 ha. forest land in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division Amravati for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar-substation to 220 KV Warud substation transmission line in Taluka-Katol District Nagpur in the State of Maharashtra-regarding.

Sr. No.	Conditions	Query Compliance
i.	<p>The Committee noted that under the Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Rules 2023 adopted w.e.f.01.12.2023, vide sub rule (16) (8)(ii) r/w sub rule 10 (2) & (5), the competent authority to process such proposals is the MoEF&CC New Delhi as it involves ex-post facto approval for violation of the provisions of the Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980.</p>	<p>As per the compliance submitted by the DCF Nagpur the State Government is requested to send the proposal in MoEF & CC, New Delhi.</p>
ii.	<p>In view of the above rule position the committee decide to return the proposal to the State Government with a request to initiate action on violators as per the provision of 3A/3B of the Adhiniyam first and after ensuring the required action and identification of the suitable non forest area for Compensatory afforestation the State Government may submit the proposal to the MoEF&CC, New Delhi for further examination and process under Van (Sanrakshan Eevam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam 1980.</p>	<p>As per the compliance submitted by the DCF Nagpur, In the context of ensuring required action with reference to the provision of 3A/3B of the Adhiniyam, the details are already submitted in the earlier compliances by the DCF Nagpur letter no. Desk-11/Conservation/1072, dt.22/11/2023 which has been forwarded by this office vide letter no. Desk-10/land/1266, dt.30/11/2023 to your office which has been submitted to Govt. of Maharashtra vide your office letter no. Desk-17/FCA/2598. Dt. 05/12/2023 regarding violations and the action taken report.</p> <p>The details disclose that the offence was committed unintentionally by the user agency and have exercised all due diligence to prevent such offence by issuing warning letters to concerns.</p> <p>User agency, being MSETCL (State Government institution), the penalty with provision of penal NPV at the rate of 20% of 5 times the NPV with 12% simple interests till the deposit is proposed and it is accepted by the user agency.</p> <p>In the context of identification of the suitable non forest area for Compensatory Afforestation in line with para 13.4(b) of Adhiniyam Gazette Notification dated 29/11/2023 which provides special dispensation for Transmission line projects with raising compensatory Afforestation over double degraded forest land. The details of CA Land of degraded forest land for double area is already enclosed with the proposal submitted. CA land has been proposed over</p>

12.50 ha. Degraded forest land in Compartment No. 251 Gut no. 328 Beat Rampur, Round Koli, Range Ghatanji (T) at village Kurhad of Pandharkawada Forest Division of Yaotmal District Yavatmal.

Place :Nagpur

Date : 13/05/2024.

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(SreeLakshmi. A)
Conservator , of Forests(T),
Nagpur.

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Government of Maharashtra

By Speed Post

No.FLD-2022/CR-309/F-10
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 400 032.
Date:- 03.01.2024

To,

Deputy Director General of Forests (Central),
Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change,
Government of India,
Ground Floor, East Wing,
New Secretariat Building, Civil Lines,
Nagpur-440 001.

Sub:- Forest Land-Nagpur

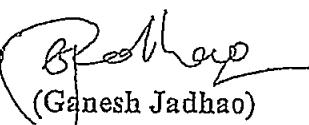
Diversion of 6.0760 ha. Reserved Forest Land for laying of 220 KV
Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line
in Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra.

Ref: 1. Your Office Letter No. FC-II / MH-216 / 2023-NGP / 11930, Dt.
25.07.2023.
2. APCCF & Nodal Officer Letter No. Desk-17 / FCA-S1 / PID-38296 /
Nagpur / 2598, Dt.05.12.2023.

Sir,

Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Government of India, Nagpur has sought additional information with respect to proposal for diversion of 6.0760 ha. Reserved Forest Land for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra, vide letter under reference No.1.

2. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur has submitted compliance report to the Government of Maharashtra vide letter under reference no.2, Compliance Report submitted by the APCCF & Nodal Officer is self-explanatory and attached herewith for further necessary action in the matter.



(Ganesh Jadhao)
Under Secretary to

the Government of Maharashtra

Under Secretary
Revenue and Forests Department

Hutatma Rajguru Chowk
Madam Cama Road, Mantralaya

Mumbai 400 032

Encl : As above.

Copy to:

- 1) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
- 2) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
- 3) Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur.
- 4) Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur.



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Query Compliance

No. Desk-17/ FCA-SI / PID-88296 / Nagpur / 2598
Nagpur-440 001, Date: 05/12/2023

✓ To,

Principal Secretary (Forests),
Revenue and Forest Department,
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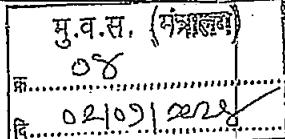
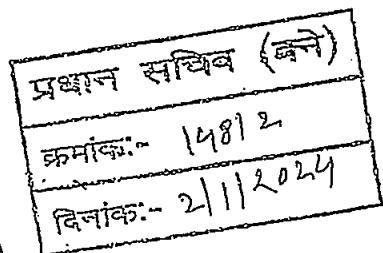
Ref: 1) Government of India, MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur letter No. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/11930, Dt. 25/07/2023.
2) The Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur Letter no. Desk-10/Land/CR1096/23-24/1266, Dt. 30/11/2023.

Sir,

The Government of India, MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.1 has raised 03 points.

Accordingly, Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur vide letter under reference No.2 has submitted the compliance reports on 03 points to this office. The compliance report on 03 points as desired by the Government of India vide letter dated 25/07/2023 is being submitted as under:

Sr. No.	Query	Compliance
1	The detailed violation report including the nature and extent of the violation, action taken by the State Forest Department under IFA, 1927 and FCA, 1980 along with the relevant documents shall be submitted by the state government. The name of the officials responsible for the violation from the User Agency as well as the State Forest Department need to be indicated.	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forest, Nagpur and Forwarded by Conservator of Forests, Nagpur. The detailed violation report including the name of the officials responsible for the violation is enclosed herewith as Annexure I.
2	The State Government shall submit a detail report on why the violation has not been recorded and stopped by the State Forest Department at the time of violation, as it has been reported that violation was conducted in the year 2010 and reported in 2015-16	As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forest, Nagpur and Forwarded by Conservator of Forests, Nagpur. The legal status of land shown as Zudpi Jungle as per revenue record in 6 District. i.e. Nagpur, Wardha, Gondia, Wardha, Chandrapur&Gadchiroli in Vidarbha region of Maharashtra State. The Government of Maharashtra vide order dated 6 November 1987, the Zudpi Jungle land should not be consider as forest land, then GOI, MOEF, letter dated 12 February 1992 clarified that the



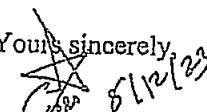
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		<p>Zudpi Jungle land shall attract all the provision of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.</p> <p>As per the direction of GOI, Zudpi Jungle was categorized in various parts. The land which is found to be suitable for forestry management point of view was handed over to forest department since the year 1997. Most of the Zudpi Jungle land is in scattered and not permanently demarcated in ground, unknowingly the work was carried out by the User Agency, and hence the violation has not been recorded and stopped by the Field staff at that time of execution of the work. Field Officers who are responsible for the violation, enquiry, and disciplinary action have been proposed against them.</p> <p>The patch of existing alignments comes under the norms of forest land. The project affected forest land shows as Proposed Reserved Forest (Notified under section 4 of IFA 1927) was originally recorded as Zudpi Jungle.</p> <p>The Project Authority has executed construction of 3 foundation & stringing at places on forest land on the survey no. 28,63 of SalaiRithi&survey no. 21 of Bhajipani of Katoltaluka and thereby violation of forest act from the year 2014 to 2018. The work in this area is stopped and POR had filed against Project Authority on dated 30.06.2020 for Survey No.63 & 28 of MauzaSalaiRithi of Katol Range vide POR No. 04892/122280/2023 and again POR had filed against Project Authority on dated 04.05.2023 for Survey No. 21 of MaujaBhajipani of Katol Range vide POR No. 04894/124578/2021. The copies of POR are enclosed as Annexure II.</p>
3	User Agency shall take prior approval of the NBWL/SBWL and updated status shall be submitted.	<p>As per the Compliance submitted by Deputy Conservator of Forest, Nagpur and Forwarded by Conservator of Forests, Nagpur. The proposal for NBWL is submitted to GOM on 01/02/2023.</p> <p>The copy of the recommendation letter by Chief Wildlife Warden, M. S. Nagpur is enclosed as Annexure III.</p>

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

Encl: As above-3 Copies

Yours sincerely,

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

Copy for information & necessary action:

1. The Conservator of Forests (T), Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur.
2. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur.
3. The Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, MSETCL, Amravati.



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दिनांक : ३० नोव्हेंबर, 2023

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महाराष्ट्र राज्य, नागपूर.

विषय:- Proposal for diversion of 6.0760 ha. Reserved Forest Land for laying of 220 KV
Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in Nagpur District in
the State of Maharashtra (FP MH/TRANS/38296 2019)

संदर्भ:- 1) कॅन्ड शासन पत्र क्र. १०-११/८१-२१६/२०२३-एसी.११३०, दिनांक २५.१०.२०२३.
2) आपले कडील पत्र क्र कक्षा-१७.नोडल/आयडी-३८२९६/१४२०, दिनांक ०८.०८.२०२३
3) या कायांलयाचे पत्र क्र कक्षा-१०/जर्मान/प्र.क्र. 1096/2104, दिनांक ०८/०८/२०२३.
4) उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांचे कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्र कक्षा-११.वनसंवर्धन प्र.क्र. 408/1072.
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विषयांकत प्रकरणा सदर प्रस्तावात कॅन्ड शासनाने संदर्भिय पत्र क्र । अन्यथे । ते मुद्यांच्या ब्रुद्दा उर्पास्थित कंलेल्या
असुन आपले कडील संदर्भिय पत्र क्र २ अन्यव सदर । ते ३ मुद्यांच्या पूर्तता करून अहवाल सादर करण्याकारी कर्तव्यालेले
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सादर करण्यात येत आहे.

सहपत्र:- वारिलप्रमाण (५ प्रमीन)

Arvind Patel

(श्रीलक्ष्मी, ए)

वनप्रस्थक (प्रा),

नागपूर यनवृत्त, नागपूर

प्रतिलिपी:- उपवनसंरक्षक नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना मार्हतीस आग्रांषत

प्रतिलिपी:- कायवकारी अभियंता, डॅण्डको प्रांजंकट डिव्हाजन एमाम्हटोर्माल्य प्रकाश संस्का, ग.र्फिग तलमगला, प्राणामर्तक
बिल्डींग, मोर्शी रोड, अमरावती यांना मार्हती व आवश्यक कायवाहीस आग्रांषत.

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Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Nagpur Division, Nagpur

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Sub: - Diversion of 6.0760 ha of forest land in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati for laying of 220KV Kalmeshwar substation to 220KV Warud substation transmission line in Taluka- Katol, District- Nagpur.
Submission of Compliances towards observations received.

No. Desk-11/Conservation/CR. 498/2023-24/ 1072

Nagpur, Dated 22.11.2023

To,
The Conservator of Forests,
Nagpur Circle, Nagpur.

Ref.: - 1. GoI, Moef, IRO Office, Nagpur letter No.F.No. FC-II/MH-216/2023-NGP/11930, Dated 25/07/2023.
2. Maharashtra State Electricity Trans. Co.Ltd Amravati letter No.EE/EHV/Proj/Dn/Amr/Tech/AEE/No.2132, Dated 03/08/2023.

This is with reference to the 1 to 3 queries raised by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India regarding proposal of diversion of 6.0760 ha forest land in favour of MSETCL, EHV Project Division, Amravati for laying of 220KV Kalmeshwar substation to 220KV Warud substation transmission line in Taluka- Katol, District- Nagpur.

In this context point wise reply is as under.

Sr. No.	Query	Compliance
1	The detailed violation report including the nature and extent of the violation, action taken by the State Forest Department under IFA, 1927 and FCA, 1980 along with the relevant documents shall be submitted by the state government. The name of the officials responsible for the violation from the User Agency as well as the State Forest Department need to be indicated.	The detailed violation report including the name of the officials responsible for the violation is enclosed herewith as Annexure I. ✓
2	The State Government shall submit a detail report on why the violation has not been recorded and stopped by the State Forest Department at the time of violation, as it has been reported that violation was conducted in the year 2010 and reported in 2015-16	<p>The legal status of land shown as Zudpi Jungle as per revenue record in 6 District i.e. Nagpur, Wardha, Gondia, Wardha, Chandrapur & Gadchiroli in Vidarbha region of Maharashtra State. The Government of Maharashtra vide order dated 6 November 1987, the Zudpi Jungle land should not be consider as forest land, then GOI, MOEF, letter dated 12 February 1992 clarified that the Zudpi Jungle land shall attract all the provision of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.</p> <p>As per the direction of GOI, Zudpi Jungle was categorized in various parts. The land which is found to be suitable for forestry management point of view was handed over to forest department since the year 1997. Most of the Zudpi Jungle land is in scattered and not permanently demarcated in ground, unknowingly the work was carried out by the User Agency, and hence the violation has not been recorded and stopped by the Field staff at that time of execution of the work. Field Officers who are responsible for the violation, enquiry, and disciplinary action have been proposed against them.</p> <p>The patch of existing alignments comes under the norms of forest land. The project affected forest land shows as Proposed Reserved Forest (Notified under section 4 of IFA 1927) was originally recorded as Zudpi Jungle.</p> <p>The Project Authority has executed construction of 3 foundation & stringing at places on forest land on the survey no. 28,63 of Salai Rithi & survey no. 21 of</p>

		Bhajipani of Katol taluka and thereby violation of forest act from the year 2014 to 2018. The work in this area is stopped and POR had filed against Project Authority on dated 30.06.2020 for Survey No.63 & 28 of Mauza Salai Rithi of Katol Range vide POR No. 04892/122280/2023 and again POR had filed against Project Authority on dated 04.05.2023 for Survey No. 21 of Mauja Bhajipani of Katol Range vide POR No. 04894/124578/2021. The copies of POR are enclosed as Annexure II.
3	User Agency shall take prior approval of the NBWL/SBWL and updated status shall be submitted.	The proposal for NBWL is submitted to GOM on 01/02/2023. The copy of the recommendation letter by Chief Wildlife Warden, M. S. Nagpur is enclosed as Annexure III.

Enclosure- As above.

BS
(Dr. Bharat Singh Hada)
Deputy Conservator of Forests,
Nagpur Division, Nagpur

Copy submitted to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S. Nagpur for information.

ANNEXURE - 1

VIOLATION REPORT

The Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Company Limited (MSETCL), Government of Maharashtra Undertaking, has decided to take up construction of 220 KV Kalmeshwar-Warud Transmission Line for augmentation of the electricity grid network towards increasing demand of power in the Warud region.

The total length of the project stretch selected for construction of the line is 67.253 kms. Part of this line is passing through forest area of (1) Gut No. 74 of Village Pardi (Gotmare) 0.4375 Ha, (2) Gut No. 34 of Village Bordoh 0.0980 Ha, 3) Gut No. 48 of Village Pathar 0.1295 Ha, (4) Gut No. 6,7,16,21 of Village Bhajipani 1.1130 Ha, (5) Gut No. 126,116,89,70 of Village Dongargaon 1.9565 Ha, (6) Gut No. 63,28 Village of Salai Rithi 1.3195 Ha, (7) Gut No. 68,63 of Village Karla 0.4865 Ha from Katol Range and (8) Gut 88, 64 Village Tarabordi 0.4375 Ha from Kondhali Range of Nagpur Forest Division. The proposed line requires diversion of Total 6.0760 Ha in Nagpur Forest Division. Therefore the construction of this line requires forest clearance from Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate change (GOI).

The diversion of forest area has been limited to the minimum that satisfies the standards of Central Board of Irrigation and Power. As the project line is passing through the middle of the forest area, avoiding forest area is not possible. Alternatives has been examined and found that no better option is available.

Part of construction of this line is done for erection of towers and stringing at places on forest land and thereby violation of Forest Act from year 2014 to 2018.

The work in this reach is stopped and proposal for approval under Forest (Conservation) Act is submitted by the Project Authority.

As the proposal is for construction of transmission line and there is no suitable alternative for the same and project authority has submitted the proposal for obtaining approval from Government of India. Hence, it is required to process the proposal for diversion of Forest Land (Zudpi Jungle) under the provisions of Section 2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Report regarding violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for consideration of the committee constituted under the Chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, vide Govt. of Maharashtra, Revenue and Forest Department G.R. No. FLD-1089/475/Part-2/P-10, dated 2nd December 1991

1.	Name of the Agency	Maharashtra State Electricity Transmission Company Ltd. EHV Projects Division, Amravati.
2.	Name of the Project	Construction of 220 KV Kalmeshwar-Warud Transmission line.
2A)	Whether the project is under EGS or plan	Not applicable.
3	Location A) F.S. No. /Compt. No. B) Village	Salai Rithi - 28,63 Karla - 68,63 Bhajipani - 6,7,16,21

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4.	No. & Date of Technical Sanction		MSETCL/COTr./Proj./EPC/SS2-B/13481 Date: 31/08/2010.																																													
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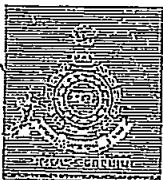
11A)	If yes in which para		Not applicable.
12.	If not why		Since the criteria specified in the GR pertain to projects related to Irrigation Department.
13.	Action proposed by the Agency against the officers responsible for violation.		
Sr. No.	Name of Officer	Designation	Remarks
1	Shri. B.S. Amale	Assistant Engineer, MSETCL	Action initiated
2	Shri. S.G. Patki	Line Technician	Action initiated
3	Shri. A.K. Makde,	The Then Range Forest Officer, Katol	Action initiated
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7	Shri. V.P. Dongare	The Then Forest Guard Isapur	Action initiated
14	Deputy conservator of forests remarks as to whether he agrees with the above details:		<p>Yes. Agreed.</p> <p>The Following remarks has been made as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. POR had filed against Project Authority on dated 30.06.2020 for Survey No.63 & 28 of Mauza Salai Rithi of Katol Range vide POR No. 04892/122280/2023. 2. POR had filed against Project Authority on dated 04.05.2023 for Survey No21 of Mauja Bhajipani of Katol Range vide POR No. 04894/124578/2021. 2. As the proposal is for construction of 220 KV D/C Transmission Line and there is no suitable alternative for the same and project authority has submitted the proposal for obtaining approval from Government of India. The proposal is recommended subject to agency shall pay penalty for violation equal to Net Present Value (NPV) of forest land per hectare for each year of violation from date of actual diversion reported in violation report of MSETCL, with maximum upto 5 (five) times the NPV plus 12% simple interest till the deposit is made. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>B2</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Dr. Bharat Singh Hada) Dy. Conservator of Forests Nagpur Division, Nagpur</p>
15	Remarks of Chief Conservator of Forests:		<p>Separate report is attached.</p> <p>Signature</p> <p>Name (Sreelakshmi A.) Conservator of Forests (Territorial) Nagpur Circle, Nagpur</p>

16	Remarks of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests	
		<p>Signature</p> <p>Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, M.S., Nagpur</p>

17 Remarks of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest

Signature

Principal Chief Conservator of
Forests, M.S., Nagpur



OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (TERRITORIAL), NAGPUR CIRCLE, NAGPUR.

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Subject:-Forest Land-Nagpur

Proposal for diversion of 6.0760 ha. Forest Land for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra.(FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)

Comments of the Conservator of Forest (T) Nagpur Circle, Nagpur on the violation Report.

Proposal for diversion of 6.0760 ha. Forest Land for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud substation Transmission line in Nagpur District in the State of Maharashtra.(FP/MH/TRANS/38296/2019)had been received by this office and the remarks of this office is as follows;

- 1) The forest area where violation happened was originally recorded as Zudpi Jungle land which is proposed reserved forest (notified u/s 4 of IFA 1927).
- 2) The Project Authority has executed construction of 3 foundation & stringing at places on forest land on the survey no. 28, 63 of Salai Rithi & survey no. 21 of Bhajipani of Katol Taluka.
- 3) As the proposal is for construction of Transmission Line. connecting Kalmeshwar Substation to 220 KV Warud Substation, there is no suitable alternative for the same and project authority has submitted the proposal for obtaining approval from Government of India.
- 4) The violation may be condoned by charging NPV at 5 times of the NPV plus 12% simple interest till the deposit is made over the area of 6.0760 ha.
- 5) The following conditions may be imposed upon the Project authority.
 - a. Minimum distance between electrical conductor 3.9 meters, if exceeds the wingspan of the largest birds found in the area.
 - b. To avoid accidental collision of birds with power lines, suitable mitigation measures like bird diverts should be planned at suitable locations.


(SreeLakshmi. A.)
Conservator, of Forests(T),
Nagpur.

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1. Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, MSECTL, Amravati.
2. The contractor carrying out the work concerned

* To be sent to Divisional Forest Officer

* To be sent to the Circle Officer

* Office Copy

* Second Copy

* Third Original Copy

Witness :

1. Shri. Narayan Krushnaji Valke : Resident of Katol
2. Shir. Amit Janrao Thoyar : Resident of Digras

First Information Report of forest crime

No. 82/22

Date: 30/06/2020

(Details to be given by
Circle officer)

Beat Area : Isapur

Circle : Isapur

Date of Filing

Details of Crime : While patrolling beat area, illegal electrical line
Towers were seen on forest land

Date of Despach

Where did it happen: Village Salai Rithi Forest Survey No. 63 area
100 sqm, village Salai Rithi Forest Survey No. 28 in Tower encroachment
100 sqm area . Investigations are in process.
Encroachment area is shown in the map

Serial Circle Crime

Reported under Maharashtra New Revenue Act 1966 section 53-54 .
Indian Forest Act, 1927 section 26 (1) a

Signature

What arrangements were made for imprisonment : Date of Filing: Circle Guard or Ranger

Goods stuck Divisional Order No

What did he arrange Divisional Crime Notebook No.

Place Date

Isapur
Date : 30/06/2020

Sd/-
(V.P. Dongare)
RFO, Isapur

Signature
Divisional Forest Officer

Executive Engineer
EHV Projects Division

वन अपराध पाहल प्रातवृत्त

(महाराष्ट्र वन-संहिता खंड दोन, परिच्छेद ६, १२)

Annexure II (b)

१. क्रमांक/वर्ष ०४९८४/२०२१

२. दिनांक ०६/०४/०२।

3 लियाह लेव

३. नियंत्रण क्षेत्र काटोल ४. परिमंजळ क्षाटोल ५. वन परिक्षेत्र क्षाटोल ६. वन विभाग नाइपु.

७. अपराधाचा तपशील : (लेखनास जागा अपुरी असल्यास मागील पृष्ठावर लिहावे, अधिक लेखन आर्टेल तर स्वतंत्र A-4 आकाराचा कागद वापरावा व तो सर्व.प्रती.स्ञोबत लावावा)

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९. आरोपीचे तपशील : (आढळून आल्यास— नाव, वय, पत्ता, नमूद करावेत. अङ्गात असल्यास तंशी नोंद करावी)

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१०. अपराधाचे ठिकाण : (शक्य असेल तिथे GPS नुसार अक्षांश व रेखांश लिहावेच)

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११. अधिनियम व कलमे : (अपराध प्रकरणी प्रथम दर्शनी लागू होणारी कलमे व अधिनियम लिहावे)

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१२. इतर नोंद : (आवश्यक असल्यास) अग्रभागी दृष्टिया वनमिनीमा प्रवाह-हुडी जंगल
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१३. गुच्छा नौंदविल्याचे ठिकाण : मुंग/ - आगी ५०/०) ६०४५ रु. - २।

१४. गुच्छा नौदविण्याच्या अधिकायाची स्वाक्षरी, नाव व पदनाम : ठारुप्रेत (११.११.२०१०)
वनरक्षण कार्यालय

(रथल प्रत / बनपाल प्रसाद बनकोत्रपल प्रत / उपवनसंरक्षक प्रत · त्वास (✓) स्थान करावी)

1951 Feb 5
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First Information Report – Forest Crime
(Maharashtra Forest Code Volume 2, Section 6.12)

1. No./Year 04984/2021

2. Date 06/04/2021

124578

3 Beat Area : Karla 4. Circle : Katol 5. Forest Range : Katol 6. Forest Division : Nagpur

7. Particulars of the offense (if there is insufficient space for writing, write on the back page. If there is more writing, use separate A4 size paper and enclose with all copies)

Suspected accused No. 1 : Executive Engineer EHV Project Division Amravati.

2 : Contractor, carrying out the work concerned has encroached land owned by forest department in survey no. in 21. A case was registered for trespassing and erecting electricity Tower 1 without permission.

8. Details regarding seizure: Part of Forest Department Survey no. 21 Total Area 1.49.

Area encroached by suspectd accused $6.5 \times 6.5 = 42.25$ square meter.

9. Suspect's details : (If found - name, age, address should be mentioned. If unknown, record the same)

1- Executive Engineer EHV Project Division Amravati.
2 - The contractor carrying out the work concerned.

10. Place of crime: (Latitude and longitude should be recorded as per GPS wherever possible.)

Village Bhajipani Survey No. 21 total Area 1.49 Ha
(Northing : $21^{\circ} 18' 27''$, Easting : $78^{\circ} 35' 24''$)

11. Acts and Sections (Sections and Acts which are *prima facie* applicable in the case of crime should be written)
Sections 53, 54 of the Maharashtra Land Revenue Act, 1966, etc

12. Other notes : (If necessary) Type of encroached forest land – Zudpi Jungle. An iron towerl number of approximately 30 meters height was found illegally constucted.

13. Place of Registration of Crime: Village Bhajipani Survey No. 21

14. Signature, Name, and Designation of the Reporting Officer: N. B. Chavan, Forest Guard, Katol Bit

(Place Copy/Forester copy/Ranger copy/ Deputy conservator of Forest copy should mark as (✓) mark.)

Executive Engineer
EHV Project Division
Amravati

उपवनसंरक्षक, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांचे कार्यालय,
 (तिसरा माळा, नविन प्रशासकीय ईमारत, वनभवन, शासवीय मुद्रणालयाजवळ, झिरो माईल्स समार, सिंहाल लाईस, नागपूर-४४०००३,
 दूरध्वनी क्र. ०७१२-२५६५६२४, ईमेल-dyefnagpur@mahaforest.gov.in)

विषय:- मौजा सालईरीठी, सर्वे क्र. २८, ६३, मौजा कारला सर्वे क्र. ६८, ६३ येथील वनविभागाचे वनजमिनीवर अतिक्रमण करून
 अवैधरित्या टॉवरचे बांधकाम.

क्रमांक कक्ष-११/वनसंवर्धन/प्रक्र. ४११ /२०२२-२३/ क्र. २६४६ नागपूर, दिनांक ०६/११/२०२३

संदर्भ:- १. कार्यकारी अभियंता, ईएचव्ही प्रोजेक्ट डिवीजन एमएसईटीसीएल, अमरावती यांचेकडील पत्र क्र. ई/व्हॅचव्ही/कन्सट/डीवी-१/एनजीपी/टेक/फारेस्ट/७४३, दिनांक २१/०५/२०२०.

२. केंद्र शासन पत्र क्रमांक एफसी-II/MH-२१६/२०२३ एनजीपी/११९३०, दिनांक २५.०७.२०२३

उपरोक्त संदर्भीय पत्र क्र. १ अन्वये, वन (संवर्धन) आधिनियम १९८० चे कलम २ अंतर्गत कार्यकारी अभियंता यांचेकडून प्राप्त झालेला-२२० केंद्री डी.सी. कलमेश्वर ते वरुड ट्रान्समिशन लाईनकरिता ६.०७६० है. वनजमिन वळंतीकरणाचा प्रस्ताव या कार्यालयास प्राप्त झालेला सदर प्रस्ताव Online नोंदणीकृत (EPMH/TRANS/३८२९६/२०११) करून हॉर्डकॉपीसह या कार्यालयास सादर केलेला आहे.

सदर प्रस्तावातील बाधित क्षेत्राची मौका तपासणी निम्नस्वाक्षरीकर्ता यांनी केली असता काटोल वनपरिक्षेत्रातील मौजा सालईरीठी, सर्वे क्र. २८, ६३, मौजा कारला सर्वे क्र. ६८, ६३ व मौजा भाजीपाणी सर्वे क्र. २१ येथील वनक्षेत्रावर एमएसईटीसीएल विभागाकडून तीन टॉवरचे बांधकाम करण्यात आल्याचे दिसुन आले आहे. सदर बांधकाम हे सन २०१५-१६ मध्ये झाले असल्याचे या कार्यालयास अवगत केले आहे. सदर प्रकरण हे वनजमिनीवरील अवैध अतिक्रमणाशी निगडीत असुन सन २०१५-१६ मध्ये सदर कार्यक्षेत्राशी संबंधित अधिकारी/कर्मचारी यांनी कोणती कार्यवाही केली याबाबत प्रत्यक्षानुभव आधारित अहवाल व संबंधितांकडून वस्तुस्थितीवाबत अहवाल तसेच प्रतिबंधात्मक उपयायोजना केली नाही किंवा कसे, आवश्यक माहिती प्राप्त करणे आवश्यक आहे.

मौजा सालईरीठी, सर्वे क्र. २८, ६३, मौजा कारला सर्वे क्र. ६८, ६३, मौजा भाजीपाणी सर्वे क्र. २१ येथील वनविभागाचे वनजमिनीवर अतिक्रमण करून अवैधरित्या टॉवरचे बांधकाम प्रकरणी त्यांचे कार्यकाळात केलेल्या प्रतिबंधात्मक कार्यवाहीचा अहवाल आवश्यक त्या खुलास्यासह व दस्तावेजासह सात दिवसांचे आत या कार्यालयास सादर करावा. विहीत कालावधीत आपला खुलासा या कार्यालयास प्राप्त न झाल्यास, प्रकरणात कोणतीच कार्यवाही व प्रतिबंधात्मक उपायंयोजना केली गेली नाही, असे गृहीत धरूण त्यांच्याविरुद्ध एकतर्फी शिस्तभंग विषयक कार्यवाही करण्यात येईल याची नोंद घ्यावी.

(डॉ. भारत सिंह हाडा)

उपवनसंरक्षक,

नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर

०६/११/२०२३

प्रति,

१. श्री. ए.के. माकडे, तत्कालीन वनपरिक्षेत्र अधिकारी, काटोल, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर मार्फत विभागीय वनअधिकारी, सामाजिक वनीकरण, अमरावती

ग्रातिलीपी:- विभागीय वनअधिकारी, सामाजिक वनीकरण, अमरावती यांना माहिती व दिनांकित पोचपावती पाठविणेचे विनंतीसह सस्तेह अग्रेषित.

२. श्री. एस.डी. चाटे, तत्कालीन क्षेत्र सहाय्यक काटोल, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर मार्फत- वनपरिक्षेत्र अधिकारी, उत्तर उमरेड, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना माहिती व दिनांकित पोचपावती या कार्यालयास सादर करावी.

३. श्री. डॉ. एच. मनकबडे, तत्कालीन क्षेत्र सहाय्यक काटोल, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर मार्फत- वनपरिक्षेत्र अधिकारी, काटोल, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना माहिती व दिनांकित पोचपावती या कार्यालयास सादर करावी.

४. श्री. जी. एम. गावकवाड, तत्कालीन क्षेत्र सहाय्यक, ईसापूर मार्फत- उपसंचालक, पंच व्याप्र प्रकल्प, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना माहिती व दिनांकित पोचपावती पाठविणेचे विनंतीसह

सस्तेह अग्रेषित.

५. श्री. व्ही.पी. डोंगरे, तत्कालीन वनरक्षक ईसापूर

मार्फत- उपसंचालक, पंच व्याप्र प्रकल्प, नागपूर वनविभाग, नागपूर यांना माहिती व दिनांकित पोचपावती पाठविणेचे विनंतीसह

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Subject: Village Salai Rithi, Survey No. 28, 63, & Village Karla Survey No. 68, 63, construction of tower by encroachment on forest land of Forest Department.

Letter No. Desk-11/Forestland/Project No. 492 /2022-23/2646

Nagpur Date : 06/11/2023

Reference : 1) EE ,EHV Project Division MSETCL, Amravati Letter No. EE/EHV/Const./DV-1 / NGP / Tech/Forest/743, Date 21/05/2020.
2) Central Govt. letter No. FC-II/MH-216/2023/NGP/11930, Date 25/07/2023.

With reference to the above letter No. 1, received from the Executive Engineer under Clause 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, The proposal for 220 K V DC from Kalameshwar to Warud through transmission 6. 0760 Ha forest land diversion received by this office has been registered online (FP/MH/Trans/38296/2019) and hard copy submitted to this office.

During the spot inspection of the affected area in the submitted proposal by the undersigned, Village Salai Rithi in Katol forest area, survey no. 28, 63, Village Karla Survey No. 68, 63 and Village Bhajipani Survey No. 21 It has been seen that three towers have been constructed by the MSETCL department on the forest area. This office has informed that the said construction had been done in the year 2015-16. The said case is related to the illegal encroachment on the forest land and it is necessary to get the necessary information about the action taken by the officers/employees related to the said area in the year 2015-16 and the report from the stakeholders about the actual situation and whether preventive measures taken or not is required.

Village Salai Rithi, Survey no. 28, 63, Village Karla Survey No. 68, 63 and Village Bhajipani Survey No. 21 In the case of encroachment on the land of the forest department and the illegal construction of the tower, the report of the preventive action taken during their tenure should be submitted to this office with necessary disclosures and documents within seven days. If your details with supporting documents are not received by this office within seven days, else it should be noted that it will be presumed that no action is taken and no preventive measures are taken and disciplinary action will be taken against them.

(Dr. Bharat sing Hadda
Deputy Conservator,
Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur

To,

1. Shri A. K. Makade Forest Range officer Katol, Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur
Through Divisional Forest Officer, Social Forestry, Amravati.
- CC.: Divisional Forest Officer, Social Forestry, Amravati. forwarded with request to send the information and dated acknowledgment to
2. Shri. S. D. Chate, The then Area Assistant Katol, Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur
Through - Forest Range Officer, North Umred, Nagpur Forest Division Nagpur for information and dated acknowledgment should be submitted to this office
3. Shri. V. H. Mankavade, The then Forest Guard Katol, Nagpur Forest Division, Nagpur
Through - Forest Range Officer, Katol, Nagpur Forest Division Nagpur for information and dated acknowledgment should be submitted to this office
4. Shri. G. M. Gaikwad, The then Area Assistant, Isapur
Through - Deputy Director, Pench Tiger Reserve, Nagpur Forest Division Nagpur with request to send acknowledgment with information
5. Shri. V.P. Dongare, the then Forest Guard, Isapur.
Through - Forest Range Officer, Narkhed, Nagpur Forest Division Nagpur for information and dated acknowledgment should be submitted to this office


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Ref. No. EE/EHV/Proj/Dn/Amt/Tech/ 3162

Date: 27/08/2020

To,

Shri G.L. Mane,
Line Foreman

Subject: Warning letter regarding violation under FCA 1980 Act in r/o construction of
220 kV Kalmeshwar Warud Transmission line.

As per FCA1980, to carry out any construction activity in forest area, it is necessary to obtain permission from forest department. However, during construction of 220 KV EHV Kalmeshwar-Warud transmission line, it is observed that some of the tower foundations/errections was constructed in forest area without permission of forest department. It is noticed that enough care has not been taken by you, to identify forest boundaries before carrying out any activity on forest area. This shows negligence on your part.

Therefore, you are hereby strictly warned not to do such act in future or otherwise strict action will be taken as per service regulations.

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Ref. No. EE/EHV/Proj/Dn/Amt/Tech/ 3/63

Date: 27/03/2020

To,

Shri B.S. Amle,
Assistant Engineer (C)

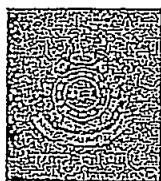
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प्रधान संचिल (वन्यजीव),
महसुल व वनविभाग,
मंत्रालय, मुंबई-३२.

विषय: - बोर- पैंच व्याघ्र भ्रमणमार्गात २२० के.व्ही. कळमेश्वर ते वरुड दरम्यान वौज वाहिनी टाकण्यासाठी नागपूर निलद्यातील ३०.६८४ हे. वन आणि बनेत्तर जमीनबाबत वन्यजीव मान्यतेचा प्रस्ताव.
(बोर- पैंच व्याघ्र भ्रमणमार्ग)

संदर्भ - १. या कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्रमांक कक्ष-२३(२)/वजी/सर्वे/प्र.क्र १९०/२१५४, दि. १३/१०/२०२३.

२. दि. १६/१०/२०२३ रोजी संपन्न झालेली राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाची२२ वी बैठक.

३. प्रकल्प यंत्रणेस उद्देशून लिहिलेले या कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्रमांक कक्ष-२३(२)/वजी/सर्वे/प्र.क्र. १९०/२३४१, दि. २३/१०/२०२३.

४. अपर प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक (वन्यजीव) पूर्व, नागपूर यांना उद्देशून लिहिलेले व प्रत या कार्यालयास पृष्ठांकित केलेले वनसंरक्षक तथा क्षेत्र संचालक, पैंच व्याघ्र प्रकल्प, नागपूर यांचे पत्र क्र. कक्ष-५/सर्वे/प्र.क्र. ३२१/१२५७, दि. ३१/१०/२०२३.

संदर्भीय पत्र १ अन्वये विषयांकित प्रकरणीचा प्रस्ताव राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाचे निर्णयार्थ ठेवण्यासाठी राज्य शासनास सादर करण्यात आलेला होता. राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाचे दिनांक १६/१०/२०२३ रोजीचे २२ व्या बैठकीमध्ये विषयांकित प्रस्ताव निर्णयार्थ मंडळासमोर सादर करण्यात आला होता. मंडळाने सदर बैठकीमध्ये प्रस्तुत प्रस्तावाची मुख्य वन्यजीव रक्कम, महाराष्ट्र राज्य यांनी घालून दिलेल्या अटींवर राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाकडे पाठविण्याची शिफारस केलेली आहे.

राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाच्या २२ व्या राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाच्या निर्णयानुसार मंडळाने घालून दिलेल्या अटींची पुरता करण्यासाठी प्रकल्प यंत्रणेस संदर्भ पत्र ३ अन्वये खालीलप्रामणे अटी पुरता करण्याचे कळविण्यात आले होते,

- १) भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान, डेहरादूनने सुचिविलेल्या उपशमन उपायाचा खार्च प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने उचलला पाहिजे.
- २) भारतीय विद्युत नियमानुसार, सुमारे २२० के.व्ही. विद्युत वाहिनी जमिनीपासून किमान ७ मीटर उंचीवर असणे गरजेचे आहे.
- ३) पक्ष्यांवर विजेचा झटका बसू नये म्हणून दोन कंडकटर/वाहिन्यामध्ये सुमारे ३.९ मीटर उभे अंतर राखले पाहिजे. यामुळे मोठ्या पंख असलेल्या पक्ष्यांच्या विद्युत प्रवाहाचा धोका कमी होऊ शकतो.

- ४) पक्ष्यांचे विद्युत वाहीनीशी होणारे अपघाती टक्कर टाळण्यासाठी, CEA/MOEF&CC द्वारे सूचनानुसार योग्य ठिकाणी बर्ड डायवर्टर्सारखे योग्य उपशमन-उपाययोजना केल्या जाणे आवश्यक आहे.
- ५) विद्युत वाहीनीमधील किमान अंतर ३.९ मीटर इतके असून, परिसरात आढळणाऱ्या सर्वात मोठ्या पक्ष्यांच्या पंखांच्या आकागरापेक्षा जास्त आहे.
- ६) वरील प्रस्तावित शमन उपायांव्यतिरिक्त, बन्यजीवभागाने वै इतर वैज्ञानिक संस्थेने निर्धारित केलेले शमन उपाय आणि जैवविविधतेचे संवर्धन आणि संरक्षण कंपनीद्वारे लागू केले जातील.
- ७) पक्ष्यांच्या उड्हाण वर्तनावर आधारित तांत्रिक मर्यादांमध्ये विद्यमान जाळीच्या संरचनेच्या टॉवरची डंची बाढबणे.
- ८) बन्यजीवभागाने सुचिविलेल्याप्रमाणे इतर वैशिष्ट्यांच्या उपाययोजना.

प्रकल्पाची सार्वजनिक उपयुक्तता लक्षात घेऊन, प्रस्तावित प्रकल्पाची शिफारस पुढील अतिरिक्त अटीवर केली जातील:

- i. बन्यजीवांचे संवर्धन आणि संरक्षण करण्यासाठी प्रकल्प खर्चांच्या २% रक्कम संवर्धन आणि संरक्षण निधी म्हणून उपलब्ध करून द्यावी.
- ii. भारतीय बन्यजीव संस्थान, डेहराडून यांनी सुचिविलेल्या उपशमन योजना प्रकल्प यंत्रणेनी त्यांच्या खर्चाने राबविण्यात याव्या.
- iii. प्रकल्पाच्या कामात मुंतलेले प्रकल्प कर्मचारी, सर्व विद्यमान कोयद्यांच्या तरतुदीचे विशेषता: पर्यावरण संरक्षण कायदा, १९८६, बन्यजीव (संरक्षण) कायदा, १९७२ बन (संरक्षण) कायदा, १९८० आणि त्याअंतर्गत बनवलेले नियम पाळतील. प्रकल्पाच्या परिसरातील बनस्पती, प्राणी यांचे संवर्धन आणि संरक्षणासाठी खबरदारीचे उपाय घेतील.
- iv. प्रस्तावित प्रकल्पासाठी ३८६ झाडे तोडणे आवश्यक आहे. झाडे लावण्याचा खर्च प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने उचलावा.
- v. कोणतीही मानवी किंवा बन्यजीव दुर्घटना टाळण्यासाठी टॉवर उभारणीच्या कामाच्या ठिकाणी बरीकेंडिगाची तरतूद करावी.
- vi. प्रकल्प यंत्रणेनी कोणत्याही पानथळ आणि बनक्षेत्रावर मलबा टाकाला जाणार नाही याची काळजी द्यावी.
- vii. कॉरिडॉरवर कमीत कमी परिणाम होण्यासाठी परेण्य लाईन टाकणे आणि तत्सम कामे अत्यंत सावधागिरीने केली पाहिजेत.
- viii. विविध वैथानिक प्राधिकरणांकडून इतर सर्व अनिवार्य परवानग्या काम सुरू करण्यापूर्वी प्राप्त केल्या पाहिजेत.
- ix. बन्यजीव आणि त्यांच्या अधिवासाचे कोणतेही नुकसान किंवा बन्यप्राण्यांना त्रास होणार नाही याची खात्री केली जाईल.
- x. प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने बन्यजीव (संरक्षण), अधिनियम १९७२ चा भंग केल्यामुळे व्याघ्र भ्रमण मार्गातील अंदाजाप्रकारीय रक्कम रु. ५.०० कोटीचे १% रक्कम रु. ५.०० लाख दंड म्हणून भरणा करावी.

वरील अटीचे अनुषंगाने प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने अट क्र. i नुसार २% रक्कम रु. ०.०१ कोटी आणि अट क्र. x नुसार दंडांची रक्कम रु. ०.०५ कोटी असे एकुण रु. ०.१५ कोटी रक्कमेचा भरणा महाराष्ट्र राज्यातील वन्यजीव अभयारण्याच्या संवर्धन आणि संरक्षणासाठी वनसंरक्षक तथा क्षेत्र संचालक, पैंच व्याप्र प्रकल्प, नागपूर यांच्याकडील व्याप्र संवर्धन प्रतिष्ठान मध्ये दिनांक ३०/१०/२०१३ रोजी (RTGS) द्वारे भरणा करण्यात आलेली आहे. तसेच अट क्र. i ते ८ आणि ii ते ix बाबत मुद्राकावर (Stamp Paper) लिखीत हमीप्र सादर केलेला आहे. त्याबाबतचा अहवाल प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने संदर्भ पन्ह-४ अनुच्छेदा कार्यालयासा सादर केलेला आहे. (प्रत सहमतीत)

तरी सदरहू ग्रस्ताव Part V सह राष्ट्रीय वस्यजीव मंडळाचे निर्णयार्थ ठेवण्यासाठी कैंप्रा शासनास सादर करण्याची विनंती आहे.

सहपत्र :- वस्त्रील प्रसारण.

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प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक (वन्यजीव), महाराष्ट्र राज्य

प्रतिलिपी :- अपर प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक तथा केंद्रस्थ अधिकारी यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस अग्रेषित.

प्रतिलिपि :- अपर प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक (वन्यजीव) पूर्व, नारपूर यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस अग्रेषित.

प्रतिलिपी :- वनसंरक्षक तथा क्षेत्र संचालक, पैंच व्याघ्र प्रकल्प, नागपूर यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस
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No. Desk-23/(2)/land/Wildlife/Survey/Pro.No. 190/3503/2023-24

Date 02/11/2023

To,
Principal Secretary (Forests)
Revenue and Forest Department
Mantralaya, Mumbai- 32

Subject: Proposal for wildlife recognition in respect of forest and non-forest land for laying power line between 220KV Kalameshwar to Warud in Bor-Pench Tiger Trekking Route. 30.684 ha. in Nagpur district
(Bor-Pench Tiger Trekking Route)

Ref. : 1. T.O. Letter No. Desk-23(2)/Wildlife/Survey/Pro. No. 190/2154. Date 13/10/2023.
2. 22nd Meeting of State Wildlife Board held on date. 16/10/2023.
3. This office letter addressed to the project authority Letter No. Desk-23(2)/Wildlife/Survey/Pro.No. 190/2341. Date 23/10/2023.
4. Letter addressed to Upper Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) East, Nagpur and copy endorsed to this office Conservator of Forests and Area Director, Pench Tiger Reserve, Nagpur letter no. Desk-5/Survey/Pro. No. 321/1257 dt 31/10/2023.

With reference to letter under ref. 1 above the proposal of the subject matter was submitted to the State Government for decision of the State Wildlife Board. In the 22nd meeting of the State Wildlife Board dated 16/10/2023 the subject proposal was presented before the Board for decision. The Board recommended that the proposal presented in the said meeting be forwarded to the National Wildlife Board on the terms laid down by the Chief Wildlife Warden, Maharashtra State.

As per the decision of the 22nd State Wildlife Board of the State Wildlife Board, in order to fulfill the conditions laid down by the Board, the project authority was informed to fulfill the following conditions under reference letter 3.

- 1... The cost of mitigation measures suggested by the Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun should be borne by the project authority.
2. As per Indian Electricity Rules, about 220 kV power lines must be at least 7 meters above the ground.
3. A vertical distance of 3.9 meters should be maintained between two conductors/conduits to prevent electric shock to birds. This can reduce the risk of electrocution of large winged birds.
4. To avoid accidental collision of birds with power lines, suitable mitigation measures like bird diverts should be planned at suitable locations as suggested by CEA/MOEF&CC.
5. Minimum distance between electrical conduits 3.9 meters, it exceeds the wingspan of the largest birds found in the area.

6. In addition to the above proposed mitigation measures, mitigation measures prescribed by the Forest Department and other scientific bodies and conservation and protection of biodiversity will be implemented by the project authority.
7. Increasing the tower height of the existing mesh structure within the technical limitations based on the flight behavior of the birds.
8. Other specific measures as suggested by the Forest Department.

Considering the public utility of the project, the proposed project will be recommended subject to the following additional conditions

- i. 2% of the project cost should be made available as conservation and protection fund for conservation and protection of wildlife.
- ii. The mitigation plan suggested by the Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun should be implemented by the project authority at its own cost.
- iii. The project staff engaged in the work of the project shall comply with the provisions of all existing laws, particularly the Environment Protection Act, 1986, the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Forest (Protection) Act, 1980 and the rules made there under, shall take precautionary measures for the conservation and protection of flora and fauna in the project area.
- iv. The proposed project requires cutting of 386 trees. The cost of planting trees should be borne by the project system
- v. Barricading should be provided at the work site of tower construction to avoid any human or wildlife accident.
- vi. The project authority should ensure that no debris is dumped on any water bodies and forest areas.
- vii. Care should be taken not to lay and pass transmission lines to minimize impact on corridors.
- viii. All other mandatory permissions from various statutory authorities should be obtained before commencing work.
- ix. It will be ensured that there is no damage or disturbance to wildlife and their habitat.
- x. Due to the violation of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 by the project authority, the 1% amount of estimated sum of Rs. 5.00 crores Rs. 5.00 lakhs to be paid as penalty.

In accordance with the above conditions, the project authority as per condition-I, 2% i.e. Rs. 0.10 crore and as per condition No. X the amount of penalty is Rs. 0.05 crores totaling Rs. 0.15 Crores has been paid through (RTGS) dated 30/10/2023 to the Tiger Conservation Foundation of the Director of Forest Conservation and Area, Pench Tiger Reserve, Nagpur for conservation and protection of wildlife sanctuaries in Maharashtra State

Also condition no. in respect of 1 to 8 and ii to ix, a written undertaking has been submitted on stamp paper. A report in this regard has been submitted to this office by the project authority under reference letter-4. (Copy attached).

Accordingly it is requested to submit the said proposal along with Part V to the Central Government for decision of the National Wildlife Board.

Correspondence:- As above.

Sd/-
(Mahip Gupta)
Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Wildlife)
Maharashtra State

CC: Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and Nodal Officer Nagpur, for information and necessary action

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