



संघ शासित प्रदेश दादरा एवं नगर हवेली  
Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli(U.T.)  
मुख्य वन संरक्षक का कार्यालय  
Chief Conservator of Forests  
सिलवासा / Silvassa.



F. No. 7-5/3-FD/630/4

Date: 14 January, 2020

- Read :-
- (i) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 16.10.2000 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (ii) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 31.10.2001 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (iii) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 23.12.2002 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (iv) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 19.09.2003 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (v) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 21.11.2005 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (vi) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 08.04.2009 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (vii) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.11.2014 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (viii) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.09.2015 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
  - (ix) In-Principle approval Letter No. 7-5/3-FD/630/50 dated 05.12.2019 issued by the U.T. Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa.

**ORDER**

In pursuance of the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, referred above In-Principle approval was accorded for Diversion of 4.23 Ha. of Protected Forest Land laying of Optical Fibre Cable along the roadside in the U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli vide letter mentioned at preamble (ix) above.


Government of India has accorded general approval under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 vide letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 08.04.2009 dated 02.02.2015 in cases of laying of underground Telephone lines, Optical Fibre Cable / Underground Laying of Drinking water supply pipeline.

The User Agency has agreed to comply the other conditions of the in-principle approval.

In view of fulfilling the conditions, Formal Approval is hereby granted to the User Agency – M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Ahmedabad, Gujarat to use 4.23 ha. for laying of underground optical fibre Cable in the U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa as indicated in the application and the map enclosed along-with application, subject to the following conditions.

- i The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged i.e. shall remain Reserved / Protected / Village / other types of forests as the case may be.

- ii No felling of tree shall be involved in the implementation of the proposal.
- iii The maximum size of the trench shall not be more than 2.00 meter depth and 1.00 meter width.
- iv The pipeline shall be along the road within existing right of way not falling in National parks and Wildlife sanctuaries.
- v The User Agency is exempted from payment of Net Present Value charges as the project involves laying of optical cable as per the Supreme Court's Judgement dated 28.03.2008 and Ministry's letter dated 05.02.2009. The Uses Agency is exempted from payment Compensatory Afforestation charges as the project is not involving felling of tree as per Ministry's letter dated 15.06.2004.
- vi The User agency shall seek permission from local Forest Department for carrying out any maintenance;
- vii All statutory provisions under various Acts, Rules there under and guidelines applicable to this project shall be strictly adhered to.
- viii The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- ix The User agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora / fauna in the surroundings and therefore, shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.

  
**Chief Conservator of Forests / Nodal Officer**  
**Dadra and Nagar Haveli**  
**Silvassa**

To,  
The Authorized Signatory,  
Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited,  
C/o. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited,  
Reliance Mart 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
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- Copy fd.w.cs. to the Deputy Conservator of Forests(T/WL), Dadra & Nagar Haveli for information.