



Government of Gujarat
Forest & Environment Department

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No. FCA-1019/7-34/19/SF-189/F

Date: **8 SEP 2020**

To,

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)

Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,

Regional Office, Western Region,

Kendriya Paryavaran Bhavan,

Link Road No.3, E-5, Ravi Shankar Nagar,

BHOPAL (M.P.)-462016.

Subject: Diversion of **22.6756 ha.** Protected Forest land for Widening and strengthening up to Four lanning of Kheda-Dholka road Km.36/600 to 53/200 in Dist. Kheda District in favour of Executive Engineer, Kheda R&B Division(State), Nadiad.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter F.No. 6-GJC005/2020-BHO/BH-8 dated 17.04.2020 on the subject cited above and it is informed that:-

Sr. No.	Conditions	Compliance
<u>Specific Conditions :</u>		
1	Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.	User agency has agreed.
2	Forest land will be handed over only after required non-forest land for the project is handed over to the user agency.	After the non-forest lands acquired from the user agency forest land will be handed over to them.
3	Compensatory afforestation : a) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 46.00 ha degraded-forest land (S. No. 30 & 40 to 100, Village-Vansiya, Taluka-Godhra, District-Panchmahal) as per as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.	User agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 2,14,29,642/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation in the CAMPA fund.
	b) Total No. of sapling to be planted shall be not less than nos.51,106 (46.00 ha × 1111) in CA land. The composition of saplings(number	Noted

	of species-wise) to be planted in the CA land shall be as per National Forest Policy and record shall be kept. CA scheme shall be as per National Forest Policy and as per CA scheme submitted vide Govt. of Gujarat letter No. FCA/31/A/1073-74/2019-20 dated 05.03.2020 and record shall be kept.	
	c) The standard size sapling (minimum height & minimum collar girth species wise) as approved by the State Govt. shall be planted in selected CA land shall not be less than the specified in the CA scheme submitted by APCCF, Land, Gujarat State letter No. FCA/31/A/1073-74/2019-20 dated 05.03.2020.	Noted
	d) The height and collar girth (species wise) shall be measured & recorded at the time of plantation and in November of plantation year. Further, data of height, collar girth and survival percentage (species wise) twice a year (April & November month) shall be recorded & records shall be maintained.	Noted
	e) All the live stumps & pollards upto 90 cm Girth shall be dressed for the purpose of regeneration & record shall be kept in plantation journal.	Noted
	f) The CA plantation shall be taken place before and of 2021 monsoon.	Noted
4	The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars, if required on the CA land shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate	User agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 2,14,29,642/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation in the CAMPA fund.

	provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.	
5	The user agency shall deposit the amount Rs.2,04,65,584/- for CA in the CAMPA.	User agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 2,14,29,642/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation in the CAMPA fund.
6	<p>NPV</p> <p>(a) The State Government shall charges the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 22.6756 ha forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30-10-2002. 01-08-2003. 28-03-2008. 24-04-2008 and 09.05-2008 in IA No.566 in WP (C) No.202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No.5-1/1998-FC (Pt. II) dated 18-09-2003. As well as letter No.5-2/2006-FC dated 03-10-2006 and 5-3/2007-FC dated 05-02-2009 and chapter 3 of hand book 2019 of 1980 & FC Rules 2003 in this regard.</p> <p>(b) Additional amount of the NPV of the diverted forest land, if any becoming due after Finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency Shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.</p>	<p>(a) The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs. 99,31,913/- towards the cost of NPV in the CAMPA fund.</p> <p>(b) The user agency has already given the undertaking in this regard.</p>
7	User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees upto 796 nos. to minimum numbers & minimum numbers in the diverted Forest land and trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the user agency with the State Forest Department.	User agency has agreed.

8	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal. (https://parivesh.nic.in).	Funds from the user agency has been online payment transferred to the CAMPA fund through e-portal.
9	The user agency shall be eligible for the working permission of one year as per the para 11.2 of FCA handbook 2019 and copy of the working permission shall be submitted to this office.	Working permission is given to user agency by DCF.
10	The State Govt. shall obtain the Stage-II approval in case of user agency eligible for the working permission of one year as per the Para 11.2 of FCA Handbook 2019. If, the Stage-II approval is not obtain before the end of working permission, then the State shall stop work and action shall be initiated under Para 1.2(ii) of FCA Handbook, 2019.	User agency has agreed

General Condition :

1	User agency shall raise strip plantation on both sides and central verge of the road, as per the IRC norms.	The user agency has stated that as per prevent IRC norms and guidelines every effort will be made to raise strip plantation on both side/central verge of the road.
2	Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Forest Areas	User agency has agreed.
3	User Agency shall provide suitable measure for free movement of wildlife in and around the forest area in accordance to eco friendly measures to mitigate impacts of linear infrastructure on wildlife(2016).	User agency has agreed.
4	User agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.	Environment clearance is not required in the above proposal.
5	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.	User agency has agreed.
6	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.	User agency has agreed.

7	Sufficient firewood, preferably alternate fuel, shall be provided by the user agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	User agency has agreed.
8	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.	User agency has agreed.
9	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for executive of the project work.	User agency has agreed.
10	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.	User agency has agreed.
11	The Forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.	User agency has undertaken that the forest land shall not be used for any purpose, other than that specified in the FCA proposal.
12	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Govt. of India.	User agency has agreed.
13	The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.	User agency has agreed.
14	The user agency shall adhere to all rules, regulations, guidelines & acts enforced by State Govt. and Central Govt. for the proposal.	User agency has agreed.
15	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act. 1980 and action would be taken as per para 1.21 of	User agency has agreed.

	Handbook of FCA, 1980 Handbook 2019.	
16	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.	User agency has agreed.
17	The Complete compliance report for all conditions stipulated in this Stage I approval letter shall be uploaded one-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in) in letter format.	The Compliance report is uploaded on e-portal.

In view of above and since the conditions of In-principle approval have already been complied with, the matter may now be referred to APCCF(Central), Bhopal for issuance of formal approval.

Yours faithfully,



(S. M. Saiyad)

Additional Secretary

Forest & Environment Department

Encl. As above.

copy to:-

1. Nodal officer (FCA), Pr. Chief Conservator of Forest's Office, Gujarat State, 'Aranya Bhavan' Sector-10/A, Gandhinagar.
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