

**Letter No.20187/FR.10/2021-5, dated:26.12.2023**

From  
Tmt.Supriya Sahu, IAS.,  
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

To  
The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central),  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change,  
Regional Office,  
Additional Office Block for GPOA, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor,  
Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road,  
Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006. (w.e).

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980 - Theni Forest Division – Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai – Proposal for diversion of 0.022 ha of Forest land for laying underground Optical Fibre Cable along the road side across Paramasivankoil Karadu Reserved Land (0.365 km) and Valkaradu Reserved Forest (0.373 km) in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km for providing 4G wireless Broadband – Stage-I approval accorded - Compliance report – Forwarding of – Regarding.

- Ref:
1. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) letter No.TS4/37431/2019, dated 01.11.2021.
  2. Government letter No.20187/FR.10/2021-1, dated 10.01.2022.
  3. Your letter F.No.4-TNB079/2022-CHN/221, dated 24.02.2022.
  4. Government letter No.20187/FR.10/2021-2, dated 10.03.2022.
  5. Your letter F.No.4-TNB079/2022-CHN/220, dated: 24.02.2022.
  6. Government letter No.20187/FR.10/2021-3 & 4, dated 24.03.2022.
  7. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) letter No.TS4/37431/2019, dated 13.10.2023.

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I am directed to enclose a copy of the reference 7<sup>th</sup> cited along with its enclosures, wherein the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has furnished the


compliance report on all the conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval accorded in your letter 3<sup>rd</sup> cited.

2. I am, therefore to request you to obtain the Stage-II approval from the Competent Authority and communicate the same, to this Government early.

Yours faithfully,

M. Megala  
26/12/2023

for Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

  
26/12/23



File No 20187/2021

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

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By online / Email.  
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From

Subrat Mohapatra, I.F.S.,  
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force)  
Forest Head Quarters building,  
Guindy – Velachery Main Road,  
Guindy - Chennai - 32.

To

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

Ref. No. TS4/37431/2019, Dated:13.10.2023.

Madam,

Sub: Forests – SMTR, Madurai Circle - Theni Forest Division – Forest  
(Conservation) Act, 1980 - Diversion of Forest land of 0.022ha for  
laying underground Optical Fiber cable along the road side across  
Paramasivankoil Karadu RL (0.365km) and Valkaradu RF  
(0.373km) in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km  
for providing 4G wireless Broadband - Stage I approval –  
Compliance report received –Regarding.

- Ref: 1. Online application uploaded by the User Agency - Thiru.  
TT.Balsamy, SCO, Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., Chennai.  
(FP/TN/Others /41287/2019).
2. Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate  
Change, F.No. 4-TNB 079/2022-CHN/2021 dated 24.02.2022.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai  
Ref.No.TS4/37431/2019, Dt.19.05.2023.
4. Compliance report uploaded by the user agency on 15.05.2023
5. District Forest Officer, Theni C.No.D/10649/2019 dated  
15.05.2023.
6. Chief Conservator of Forests and Field Director, SMTR Madurai  
C.No.D1/6321/2020, dt.13.09.2022.

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I wish to inform that, the User Agency i.e. M/s.Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd.,  
SCO, Mylapore, Chennai has upload the Compliance report for the conditions  
stipulated by the Government of India in Stage I approval for diversion of forest land  
of 0.022ha for laying underground Optical Fiber cable along the road side across

Paramasivankoil Karadu RL (0.365km) and Valkaradu RF (0.373km) in, Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km for providing 4G wireless Broadband. +  
 The contents of the Compliance report are as follows.

<b>Condition No.</b>	<b>Conditions stipulated by Government of India</b>	<b>Compliance of condition</b>
I	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that the legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
II	Demarcation of the proposed forest areas shall be carried out by erecting of 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the appropriate distance as decided by the District Forest Officer concerned, at the cost of User Agency.	The User Agency has erected 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at an interval of 20 meters.
III	Full exemption of NPV is allowed for laying of underground OFC cable, provided no felling of trees involved. But incase an amount of the Net Present Value 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.	The User Agency has given an undertaking to pay the additional amount of Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and charged by the State Government in future.
IV	The State Government shall realize cost towards plantation of 100	The User Agency has paid an amount of Rs.3,70,000/- towards



Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
	numbers of trees and maintenance for a period of 10 years from the User Agency.	Compensatory Afforestation scheme for raising and planting 100 numbers of seedlings including maintenance cost for 10 years. <b>The UTR Number is HDFC R52022120665651053.</b>
V	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mts depth, 0.738 km length and 0.30 mts width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.	The User Agency has given an undertaking that maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mtr depth, 0.738 km length and 0.30 mtr width. The Forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.
VI	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that the layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
VII	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
VIII	Disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and it will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that disturbance shall be kept minimum by creating labour camps as far as possible and to ensure machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.

Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
IX	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 or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that Sufficient fire wood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided 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.
X	No tree felling shall be carried out by the user agency.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that no tree felling shall be carried out.
XI	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.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that the forest land proposed for diversions shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
XII	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that the total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
XIII	User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking to ensure compliance to provisions of all Acts,



Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
	Acts, Rules, Regulations and guidelines for the time being in force, as applicable to such project.	Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
XIV	Any other conditions 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 an combined 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 by the User Agency.
XV	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions, the User Agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.
	<b>Conditions stipulated by District Forest Officer, Theni</b>	
XVI	The lease rent will be fixed by the state forest department from the user agency as per G.O.(Ms) No.272, Environment and Forest (FR.XIII) Department dated 15.04.1991.	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that they agree to pay the lease rent fixed by the state forest department from the user agency as per G.O.(Ms) No.272, Environment and Forest (FR.XIII) Department dated 15.04.1991.
XVII	The period of lease years, the user agency should send renewal	The User Agency has given an combined undertaking that renewal


Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
	proposal one year before the expiry of the issue.	proposal will be applied before one year of the the expiry of the issue.

Compliance report furnished by the User agency along with connected undertakings / documents and report of the Chief Conservator of Forests, SMTR, Madurai and the District Forest Officer, Theni Division are enclosed herewith.

I request that Stage - II approval may please be issued for diversion of Forest land of 0.022ha for laying underground Optical Fiber cable along the road side across Paramasivankoil Karadu RL (0.365km) and Valkaradu RF (0.373km) in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km for providing 4G wireless Broadband in favour of M/s.Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd., SCO, Mylapore, Chennai for a period of 20 years.

Encl.: As stated above.

Yours faithfully

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

  
13/10/23



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**By Email/By Post/By RPAD**

**Tamil Nadu Forest Department**

From:  
Tmt. C.H.Padma, I.F.S.,  
Conservator of Forests,  
Chief Conservator of Forests  
& Field Director,(FAC)  
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger  
Reserve, Madurai-2

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

**C.No. 6361/2020/D1, Dated : 13.09.2023.**

Sir,

Sub: Forests – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – SMTR Madurai Circle Theni Division – Proposal for diversion of forest land for laying underground Optical Fiber cable along road side across ParamasivankoilKaradu RL (0.365km) and Valkaradu RF (0.373 KM) in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km for providing 4G wireless Broadband infavour of M/s.RelianceJioinfocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai – Stage-I clearance – Conditions stipulated by the Government – submission of Compliance Report - Regarding.

- Ref:
1. Online application submitted by M/s.RelianceJioinfocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai. (Proposal No: FP/TN/Others/41287/2019.)
  2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Chennai. C.No:TS4/37431/2019, Dated:10.08.2021.
  4. The Conservator of Forests and Field Director, SMTR, Madurai C.No:6361/2020/D1, Dated:30.09.2021
  5. Government of India, MoEF&CC, Chennai, F.No:4/TNB079/2022-CHN/221, Dated:24.02.2022
  6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Chennai. C.No:TS4/37431/2019, Dated:28.02.2022.
  7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Chennai. C.No:TS4/37431/2019, Dated:01.03.2023.
  - 8 M/s.RelianceJioinfocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai. (User agency), Letter dated:08.05.2023.
  9. The District Forest Officer Theni C.No : 10649/2019/D1,15.05.23

With reference to the above subject, I submit that, as per PCCF Chennai reference TS4/37431/2019, Dated:28.02.2022 the Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Chennai has accorded Central Governments, in principle approval (Stage-1) under section '2' of Forest

(Conservation) Act 1980 for diversion of 0.022 ha of Forest land for laying underground Optical Fiber Cable along the road side across ParamasivanKovilKaradu Reserved Land [0.365 Km] and Valkaradu Reserved Forests [0.373 Km] in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 Km for providing 4G wireless Broadband in Theni District in favour of M/s.RelianceJioinfocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai for a period of 20 years, subject to the usual conditions.

The User Agency has submitted the compliance report in the reference 8<sup>th</sup> cited. The compliance report has been verified and the details were asked from user agency vide District Forest Officer Theni Ref. No. D1/10649/2019/D1, 15.05.23

Therefore a complete compliance report submitted by the District Forest Officer, Theni in his reference 9<sup>th</sup> cited and the undertakings of user agency are submitted as follows:

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Conditions Stipulated by Government</b>	<b>Undertakings submitted by the User Agency.</b>
1	Legal status of the diverted land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.	We ensure that the legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.
2	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet height 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 completed and photograph details enclosed.
3	Full exemption of the NPV is allowed for laying of underground cable, provided no felling of trees involved. But in case an amount of the Net present value 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 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 given by the user agency is enclosed herewith.



4	The State Government shall realize the cost towards plantation of 100 Numbers of trees and maintenance for a period of 10 years from the user agency.	An amount of Rs.3,70,000/- has been paid through RTGS mode for raising of 100 Nos of tree saplings and maintenance cost for 10 years as per instruction vide District Forest Officer, Theni vid reference 5 <sup>th</sup> cited. The UTRN is HDFC R52022120665651053.
5	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 meter depth, 0.738 Km length and 0.30 meter width. The Forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.	We ensure that the total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 hectares and to be used only for the work specified in the proposal and also ensure that after completion of the OFC cable laying work, the forest land shall be restored to its original stage.
6	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.
7	No Labour camp shall be established on the forest land	We assure that no labour camp will be established on the forest land.
8	The user agency shall ensure that the machinery, Labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct any natural resources	Disturbance will be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area, as far as possible and ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work will not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.
9	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, Shall be provided by the User agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel will be provided to the labourers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department of the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
10	No tree felling shall be carried out by the user agency.	No tree felling will be carried out.
11	The Forest Land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or	Forest land proposed for diversion under no circumstances be transferred or sub-let to any other

	sublet to any other agency, department, or person without the prior approval of the central Government	agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
12	The total Forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 Hectare and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than shown in the diversion proposal.	The total forest area utilized for the project will not exceed 0.022 ha and the forest area diverted will not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
13	The user agency and state government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines for the time being force, as applicable to the project	We /(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.
14	Any other conditions may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and Management of flora and fauna in the are, shall be complied by the user agency.	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 will be complied.
15	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 of guidelines	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions, the user agency are liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Conditions Stipulated by District Forest Officer, Theni.</b>	<b>Undertakings submitted by the User Agency.</b>
16	The Lease rent will be fixed by the State forest department from the user agency as per G.O.(Ms).No.272,	The user agency agree to pay the lease rent if any fixed by the State forest department as per the G.O.(Ms) No.272, Environment and Forest (FR.XIII)



	Environment and Forests (FR.XIII) Department dated:15.04.1991.	Department dated 15.04.1991.
17	The period of Lease years, The user agency should send renewal proposal one year before the expiry of the lease.	We assure that the renewal proposal will be applied before one year of the expiry of this proposal.

This is for kind information and necessary action.

Encl : 2 Copies of Compliance report

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- C.H.Padma,  
Chief Conservator of Forests &  
Field Director, (FAC)  
Srivilliputhur Megamalai  
Tiger Reserve, Madurai.

/T.C.B.O/

*V. Jeyachandran*  
for Senior Draughting Officer 13/9/23





**TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT**  
**THENI FOREST DIVISION**

From  
Thiru.J.R.Samartha, IFS.,  
District Forest Officer,  
Theni Forest Division,  
Theni.

To  
The Chief Conservator of Forests and  
Field Director,  
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger  
Reserve,  
Madurai.

**C.No.10649/2019/D, Dated:15.05.2023**

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - SMTR Madurai Circle Theni Division - Proposal for diversion of forest land for laying underground Optical Fiber cable along road side across Paramasivankoil Karadu RL (0.365km) and Valkaradu RF (0.373 KM) in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km for providing 4G wireless Broadband infavour of M/s.Rliance Jio infocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai - Stage-I clearance - Conditions stipulated by the Government - submission of Compliance Report - Regarding.

- Ref:
1. Online application submitted by M/s.Rliance Jio infocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai. (Proposal No: FP/TN/Others/41287/2019.)
  2. District Forest Officer, Theni. C.No:1305/2019/D, Dated:21.04.2021 and 01.06.2021.
  3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Chennai. C.No:TS4/37431/2019, Dated:10.08.2021.
  4. The Conservator of Forests and Field Director, SMTR, Madurai C.No:6361/2020/D1, Dated:30.09.2021
  5. Government of India, MoEF&CC, Chennai, F.No:4/TNB079/2022-CHN/221, Dated:24.02.2022
  6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Chennai. C.No:TS4/37431/2019, Dated:28.02.2022.
  7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Chennai. C.No:TS4/37431/2019, Dated:01.03.2023.
  8. M/s.Rliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai. (User agency), Letter dated:08.05.2023.

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I submit that in-Principal approval (Stage-I) was accorded under section 2 of Forest [Conservation] Act, 1980 for diversion of Forest land in Paramasivan Kovil Karadu Reserve Land [0.365 Km x 0.030] and

Valkaradu Reserve Forest [0.373 Km x 0.030] totaling to an area of 0.022 Hectare for laying of underground optical fiber cable along road side for providing 4G wireless Broadband in Theni District has been approved by the Government of India vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> cited cited.

The user agency is submit the compliance report and combined undertakings details are as follows:-

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Conditions Stipulated by Government</b>	<b>Undertakings submitted by the User Agency.</b>
1	Legal status of the diverted land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.	We ensure that the legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.
2	Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet height 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 completed and photograh details enclosed.
3	Full exemption of the NPV is allowed for laying of underground cable, provided no felling of trees involved. But incase an amount of the Net present value 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 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.
4	The state Government shall realize the cost towards plantation of 100 Numbers of tress and maintenance for a period of 10 years from the user agency.	An amount of Rs.3,70,000/- has been paid through RTGS mode for 100 numbers of tree saplings and maintenance cost for 10 years as per instruction vide District Forest Officer, Theni vid reference 5 <sup>th</sup> cited. The UTRN is HDFC R52022120665651053.



5	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 meter depth, 0.738 Km length and 0.30 meter width. The Forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.	We ensure that the total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 hectares and to be used only for the work specified in the proposal and also ensure that after completion of the OFC cable laying work, the forest land shall be restored to its original state.
6	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.
7	No Labour camp shall be established on the forest land	We assure that no labour camp will be established on the forest land.
8	The user agency shall ensure that the machinery, Labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct any natural resources	Disturbance will be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work will not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.
9	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, Shall be provided by the User agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel will be provided 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.
10	No tree felling shall be carried out by the user agency.	No tree felling will be carried out.
11	The Forest Land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department, or person without the 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.



12	The total Forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 Hectare and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than shown in the diversion proposal.	The total forest area utilized for the project will not exceed 0.022 ha and the forest area diverted will not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
13	The user agency and state government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines for the time being in force, as applicable to the project	We (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.
14	Any other conditions may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and Management of flora and fauna in the are, shall be complied by the user agency.	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 will be complied.
15	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 of guidelines	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions, we (the user agency) are liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Conditions Stipulated by District Forest Officer, Theni.</b>	<b>Undertakings submitted by the User Agency.</b>
16	The Lease rent will be fixed by the state forest department from the user agency as per G.O.(Ms).No.272, Environment and Forests (FR:XIII) Department dated:15.04.1991.	We agree to pay the lease rent if any fixed by the state forest department as per the G.O.(Ms) No.272, Environment and Forest (FR.XIII) Department dated 15.04.1991.
17	The period of Lease years, The user agency should send renewal proposal one year before the expiry of the lease.	We assure that the renewal proposal will be applied before one year of the expiry of this proposal.









Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited

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

From

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

To

The District Forest Officer,  
Theni Forest Division,  
Theni.

Sir,

Sub: Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Madurai Circle - For laying underground Optical Fibre Cable along the road side across Paramasivankovil karadu RL (0.365 km) and Valkaradu RF (0.373 km) in Theni Taluk, Theni District to a distance of 0.738 km for providing 4G wireless Broadband - Stage I approval - Compliance report called for - submission of - Regarding.

- Ref: (1) Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, F.No. 4-TNB 079/2022-CHN/2021 dated 24.02.2022.  
(2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai Ref.No.TS4/37431/2019, Dt.30.09.2022.  
(3) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD), Chennai Ref.No.TS4/22483/2022, Dt.13.10.2022.  
(4) Conservator of Forests and Field Director, SMTR Madurai C.No.D1/6321/2020, dt.04.05.2022.  
(5) District Forest Officer, Theni C.No.D/10649/2019 dated 29.08.2022, 11.11.2022.  
(6) District Forest Officer, Theni C.No.D/10649/2019 dated 16.03.2023.

With reference to the above subject, I submit that the compliance report on the fulfilment of conditions stipulated in the Stage I approval under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.022 ha. of forest land for the use underground OFC works across Paramasivankovil Karadu R.L. and Valkaradu R.F. of Theni Forest Division, as follows:

Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
I	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.	Legal status of the forest land will remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests. Combined undertaking is enclosed.

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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 completed and details enclosed.
III	Full exemption of NPV is allowed for laying of underground OFC cable, provided no felling of trees involved. But incase an amount of the Net Present Value 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 State Government shall realize cost towards plantation of 100 numbers of trees and maintenance for a period of 10 years from the User Agency.	An amount of Rs.3,70,000/- has been paid through RTGS mode for 100 numbers of tree saplings and maintenance cost for 10 years as per instruction vide District Forest Officer, Theni vid reference 5 <sup>th</sup> cited. The UTRN is HDFC R52022120665651053.
V	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mts depth, 0.738 km length and 0.30 mts width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 hectares and to be used only for the work specified in the proposal. After completion of the OFC cable laying work, the forest land shall be







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<b>Condition No.</b>	<b>Conditions stipulated by Government of India</b>	<b>Compliance of condition</b>
		restored to its original state. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
VI	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.
VII	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	No labour camp will be established on the forest land. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
VIII	The user agency shall ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct any natural resources.	It is ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct any natural resources. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
IX	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.
X	No tree felling shall be carried out by the user agency.	No tree felling will be carried out. Combined undertaking is enclosed.
XI	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.

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<b>Condition No.</b>	<b>Conditions stipulated by Government of India</b>	<b>Compliance of condition</b>
XII	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 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 0.022 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.
XIII	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.
XIV	Any other conditions 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.
XV	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.

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Condition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
	<b>Conditions stipulated by District Forest Officer, Theni</b>	
XVI	The lease rent will be fixed by the state forest department from the user agency as per G.O.(Ms) No.272, Environment and Forest (FR.XIII) Department dated 15.04.1991.	Combined undertaking is enclosed.
XVII	The period of lease years, the user agency should send renewal proposal one year before the expiry of the issue.	Renewal proposal will be applied before one year of the expiry of this proposal. Combined undertaking is enclosed.

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 0.022 ha of forest land for laying of underground OFC along road side from across Paramasivankovil karadu RL (0.365 km) and Valkaradu R.F. (0.373 km) in Theni Forest division 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 Forest Force), Chennai-32.

The Conservator of Forests and Field Director, Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai.

The District Forest Officer, Theni Forest Division, Theni.

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Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Proposal for diversion of 0.022 ha of forest land for laying of underground OFC along road side across Paramasivankovil karadu RL (0.365 km) and Valkaradu RF (0.373 km) in Theni Taluk, Theni District - Stage-I approval accorded - Compliance report furnishing off - Proposal No. FP/TN/Others/41287/2019.

### COMBINED UNDERTAKING

Condition No.	Condition imposed	Undertaking
I	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.	We ensure that the legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.
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 completed and photograph details enclosed.
III	Full exemption of NPV is allowed for laying of underground OFC cable, provided no felling of trees involved. But incase an amount of the Net Present Value 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 State Government shall realize cost towards plantation of 100 numbers of trees and maintenance	An amount of Rs.3,70,000/- has been paid through RTGS mode for 100 numbers of tree saplings and

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	for a period of 10 years from the User Agency.	maintenance cost for 10 years as per instruction vide District Forest Officer, Theni vid reference 5 <sup>th</sup> cited. The UTRN is HDFC R52022120665651053.
V	The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mts depth, 0.738 km length and 0.30 mts width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.	We ensure that the maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mts depth, 0.738 km length and 0.30 mts width. Total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 hectares and to be used only for the work specified in the proposal and also ensure that after completion of the OFC cable laying work, the forest land shall be restored to its original state.
VI	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.
VII	No labour camp shall be established on the forest land	We assure that no labour camp will be established on the forest land.
VIII	The user agency shall ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct any natural resources.	Disturbance will be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work will not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.
IX	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	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel will be provided to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department of the Forest Development Corporation





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	Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
X	No tree felling shall be carried out by the user agency.	No tree felling will be carried out.
XI	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.
XII	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.022 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 0.022 ha and the forest area diverted will not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.
XIII	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.	We (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.
XIV	Any other conditions 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.	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

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Condition No.	Condition imposed	Undertaking
		flora and fauna in the area will be complied.
XV	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.	In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions, we (the user agency) are liable for penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.
	<b>Conditions stipulated by District Forest Officer, Theni</b>	
XVI	The lease rent will be fixed by the state forest department from the user agency as per G.O.(Ms) No.272, Environment and Forest (FR.XIII) Department dated 15.04.1991.	We agree to pay the lease rent if any fixed by the state forest department as per the G.O.(Ms) No.272, Environment and Forest (FR.XIII) Department dated 15.04.1991.
XVII	The period of lease years, the user agency should send renewal proposal one year before the expiry of the issue.	We assure that the renewal proposal will be applied before one year of the expiry of this proposal.

  
Authorized Signatory,  
M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited,  
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## UNDERTAKING

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.

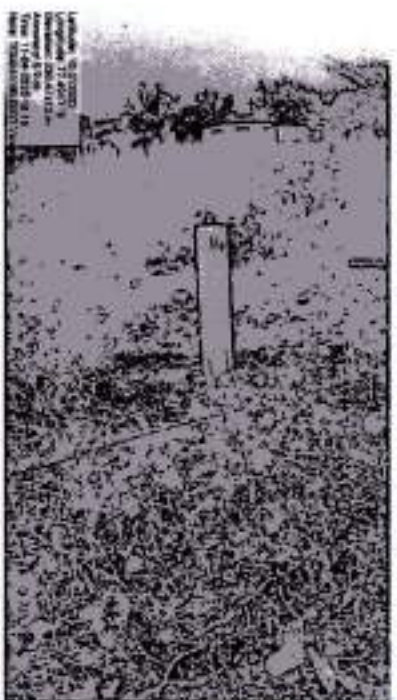
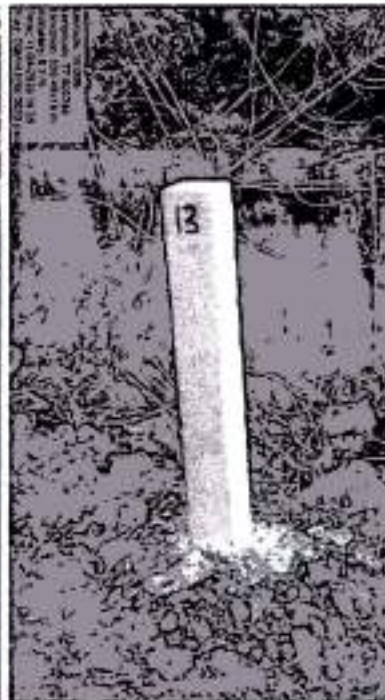
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**Demarcation of the proposed forest area by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars, duly numbered, at an interval of 20 meters**



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Agency Name.	RELIANCE JIO INFOCOMM LIMITED
Application No.	19941287700
MoEF/SG File No.	4-TNB079/2022-CHN
Location.	TAMILNADU
Address.	No.89 Dr Radhakrishnan Salai Mylapore Chennai 4Chennai
Amount(in Rs)	370000/-

Amount in Words :Three Lakh Seventy Thousand Rupees Only

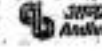
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Pay to Account No.	1508719941287700 Valid only for this challan amount.
Bank Name & Address:	Union Bank Of India FCS Centre,21/1, III Floor, Jelitta Towers, Mission Road, Bengaluru-560027

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