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To,  
**Regional Officer, IRO-Gandhinagar,**  
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,  
A-407 & A-409, Aranya Bhavan,  
CH-3 Circle, Sector-10 A,  
Gandhinagar-382010.

**Subject:** Diversion of **0.40 ha.** Protected Forest land for for installation of 66KV overhead transmission line by DISCOM in their licensee area in Mundra SEZ, Ta.Mundra, Dist. Kachchh in favour of MPSEZ Utilities Pvt Ltd., Adani House, Nr. Mithakhali Circle, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad.

Sir,  
Kindly refer to your letter F.No. 6/GJB-080/2021-BHO, dated. 12.07.2021 on the subject cited above and it is informed that:-

Sr. No.	Condition	Compliance
<b>A: Conditions which needs to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department:</b>		
<b>1</b>	The cost of compensatory afforestation on the degraded CA land (1.00 ha.) 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 provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.4,97,817/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation in the CAMPA fund.
<b>2</b>	The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 0.40 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.11) 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 FCA Handbook, 2019 in this regard.	The User Agency has already deposited an amount of Rs.4,17,200/- towards the cost of Net Present Value in the CAMPA fund.
<b>3</b>	The User Agency should prepare a site specific Wildlife Management Plan to mitigate the effects of the project over wildlife before the issuance of Stage-II approval and implemented by User Agency at their own project cost.	The user agency has stated that the proposed transmission line is not passing through any protected area. However, Company shall ensure mitigation measure/conditions stipulated in the said forest clearance.
<b>4</b>	All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited in CAMPA fund only through e-portal ( <a href="https://pariveshnic.in">https://pariveshnic.in</a> ).	Funds from the user agency has been transferred online to the CAMPA fund through e-portal.
<b>5</b>	The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.	FRA certificate of Collector, Kutch is attached herewith.
<b>6</b>	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in Para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of Comprehensive Guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter no. 5-2/2017-FC dated 28/03/2019.	The User Agency has agreed

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Approved By: Sanjeev Kumar, IAS(PS,FED)

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7	The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal ( <a href="http://parivesh.nic.in">http://parivesh.nic.in</a> ) in letter format.	The Compliance report is uploaded on e-portal.
8	The KML files of diverted area and CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details prior to Stage-II approval.	The KML files of the CA area is uploaded on e-green watch portal. The copy of screen shot is attached herewith.
<b>B: Conditions which needs to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:</b>		
1	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.	The User Agency has Agreed
2	Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 1.00 ha. degraded forest land Compartment no.25/Pt., Village-Bocha, Taluka-Mundra, Dist-Kutch. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall be avoided.	The User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.4,97,817/- towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation in the CAMPA fund.
3	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.	The User Agency has agreed
4	No tree felling shall be involved in the implementation of this project.	The User Agency has Agreed
5	The user agency should fence of the tower by Chain Link Fencing to prevent the electrocution of Elephant/ Wild Animals in forest area at their own cost. The concerned DCF shall inspect the area and shall take a decision as to the specific towers which shall be fenced.	The User Agency has Agreed
6	The user agency shall comply with the guideline for laying transmission lines through forest as per Chapter 10 of FCA, 1980 Handbook, 2019.	The User Agency has Agreed
7	The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.	The User Agency has agreed
8	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.	The User Agency has agreed
9	No labour camp shall be establishment on the forest land.	The User Agency has agreed
10	The user agency shall provide alternate fuels preferably LPG to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.	The User Agency has agreed
11	No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.	The User Agency has agreed
12	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.	The User Agency has agreed
13	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.	The User Agency has agreed
14	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.	The User Agency has agreed



15	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.	The User Agency has agreed
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Yours faithfully,  
(Prasun Patel)  
Under Secretary(Forest)  
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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