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Dated 03 Feb 24.

To,

The Divisional Forest Officer
Jorhat Division, Jorhat

Sub: "In Principal Approval" for diversion of 0.96Ha. of forest land for laying of Optical fibre Cable (OFC) in Dessoi Vally Reserved Forest under Jorhat Division in favour of Bharti Airtel Ltd.

Ref: Your letter No. FJT/B/1744 dated 6.4.2023

Dear Sir,

With reference to the above, we are submit herewith the compliance report to the stipulated conditions contained in the "In Principal Approval" for diversion of 0.96Ha. of forest land for laying of Optical fibre Cable (OFC) in Dessoi Vally Reserved Forest under Jorhat Division in favour of Bharti Airtel Ltd. accorded by the Govt. of Assam vide letter ECF No. 278364/63 dated 6.3.2023 as follows:

Sl No.	Compliance conditions	Reply
i	The forest area involved in not within a National Park and/or a Wild Life Sanctuary.	The proposed area falls outside National Park or Wildlife Sanctuary.
ii	User Agency shall explore all feasible alternatives to minimize use of forest land	An undertaking has submitted for explore all feasible alternatives to minimize use of forest land. (Copy enclosed)
iii	Forest land to be used shall be restricted to the bare minimum and shall be used only when it is unavoidable.	An undertaking has submitted for forest land to be used shall be restricted to the bare minimum and shall be used only. (Copy enclosed)
iv	The User Agency shall pay the applicable NPV in pursuance of the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.	As per point (xi) of para-4 File No. 5-3/2011-FC (Vol-I), dated 6.1.2022 of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, for the above-mentioned category, the Net Present Value (NPV) is fully exempted.
v	The User Agency shall provide an undertaking for payment of additional NPV, if any	
vi	In addition to monthly report of diversions of forest land under General Approval accorded by MoEF & CC, PCCF & HoFF, Assam shall submit half yearly reports for the period ending June 30 and December 31 containing details of all forest lands diverted under the General Approval along with the actual status of actual utilization of the forestlands so diverted for the stated purpose, to the MoEF & CC, Govt. of India and its concerned Regional Office with intimation to Government of Assam.	Not Pertaining to User Agency.
vii	The diversions and compliance to the conditions will be monitored by the PCCF & HoFF, Assam	Not Pertaining to User Agency.

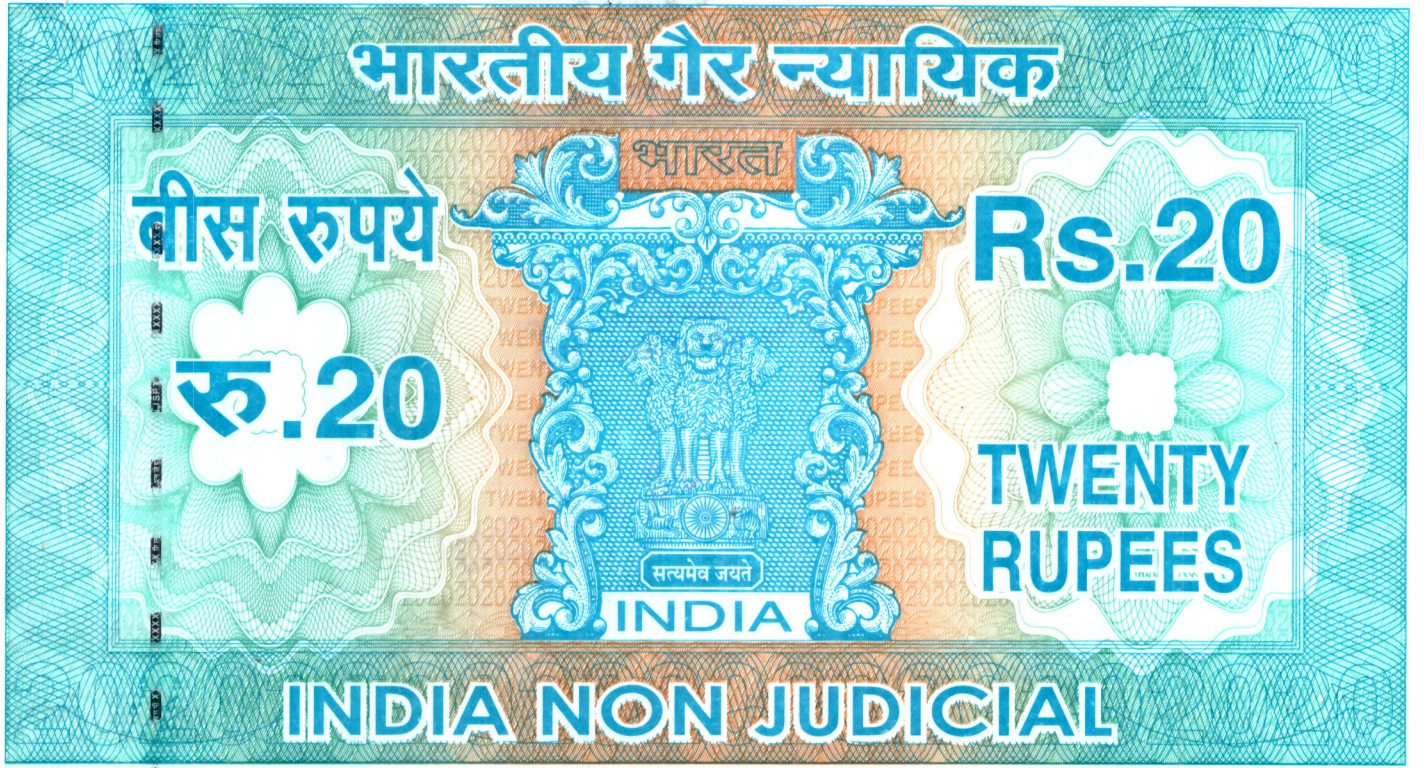
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viii	No Tree felling is involved for the proposed work.	An undertaking has submitted for no tree felling is involved for the proposed work (Copy enclosed) .
ix	After completion of the project the area under RoW should be reclaimed suitably.	An undertaking has submitted for After completion of the project the area under RoW should be reclaimed suitably (Copy enclosed) .
x	The User Agency shall deposit 2% of the total project cost for Human Elephant Conflict mitigation and Wildlife Conservation Purpose.	The 2% of the total project cost deposited in favour of Chief Wildlife Warden, Assam for Human Elephant Conflict mitigation and Wildlife Conservation Purpose and the payment details are enclosed.
xi	User Agency agrees to make good any loss to Forest/Environment.	An undertaking has submitted for make good any loss to Forest/Environment (Copy enclosed) .
xii	The User Agency will seek permission from the local Forest Official for carrying out any maintenance.	An undertaking has submitted for seek permission from the local Forest Official for carrying out any maintenance (Copy enclosed) .
xiii	In case, the proposed area falls in the RoW of the road passing through National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries, General Approval is to be obtained from the State Board for Wildlife.	The proposed diversion area does not fall in National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary.
xiv	In case, the proposed area falls in the RoW of the road passing through Tiger Reserves, General Approval is to be obtained from the National Board for Wildlife/NTCA.	The proposed diversion area does not fall in Tiger Reserve.
xv		The FRA-2006 certificate is enclosed herewith.

An early action is highly obliged.

For Bharti Airtel Limited

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Authorised Signatory

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UNDERTAKING

(Regarding conditions mentioned in the "In Principle Approval" for diversion of 0.96Ha. of forest land for laying of Optical fibre Cable (OFC) in Dessoi Vally Reserved Forest under Jorhat Division in favour of Bharti Airtel Ltd.

1. Bharti Airtel Limited (User Agency) hereby undertakes that the explore all feasible alternative were explored and current alignment which uses 0.96Ha of forest land was found to be least intrusive.
2. Bharti Airtel Limited (User Agency) hereby undertakes that the forest land to be used shall be restricted to the bare minimum and shall be used only when it is unavoidable.
3. Bharti Airtel Limited Limited (User Agency) hereby undertakes that the no tree felling is involved for the proposed work.
4. Bharti Airtel Limited (User Agency) hereby undertakes that after completion of the project the area under RoW should be reclaimed suitably.
5. Bharti Airtel Limited User Agency) hereby undertakes to make good any loss to Forest/Environment.
6. Bharti Airtel Limited User Agency) hereby undertakes to seek permission from the local Forest Official to carry out any maintenance.


For Bharti Airtel Ltd.
Authorised Signatory

FORM-I
(for linear project)
GOVT. OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER :: JORHAT DISTRICT :: JORHAT
(REVENUE BRANCH)

No. E- 70667/Rev/1551/2023/DFA/152395

TO WHOM SOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India's letter No. 11-9/98-FC (pt.) dated 3 August 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guideline on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act. 2006 ('FRA', for short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non forest purposes read with MoEF's letter dated 5th February, 2013 wherein MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that 0.96 hectares of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of Bharti Airtel Limited for lying of Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) in Dessoi Valley Reserve Forest under Jorhat Division in Jorhat district falls within jurisdiction of Dessoi Valley Bon Gaon in Mariani Revenue Circle, Jorhat district.

It is further certified that:

- (a) the complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 0.96 hectares of forest area proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultations and meeting of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and District Level Committee are enclosed as annexure A to F annexure.
- (b) the diversion of forest land for facilities managed by the Government as required under section 3 (2) of the FRA have been completed and the Gram Sabhas have given their consent to it;
- (c) the proposal does not involve recognised rights of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-agricultural communities.

End.: As above.

Signed by
Pulak Mahanta
Date: 22-12-2023 18:10:43
District Commissioner
Jorhat

Date:- 10-Apr-2023

To,
PCCF Wildlife & CWLW, Assam

Ref No: - WL/FG/Proposal/OFC/Jorhat Divn dated 29-Mar-2023

Sub: - Submission of DD for ROW Permission.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the above subject we are submitting the Demand Draft of HDFC Bank for laying OFC.

Section	Length mtrs	Bank	DD No	DD Date	Amount (Rs)
Forest check post new sonowal marinali to dessai bridge	16000	HDFC	692557	07-Apr-23	3,000.00

There, kindly provide permission for laying of OFC.
In the meantime, please acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Thanking You

Lalit Kumar

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