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Ref. No.: EE/EHV/Projects/DN/CHD/Tech/334	
Date: 16-04-2025	

To,
The Divisional Forest Officer,
Chandrapur Division,
Chandrapur.

Sub:- Diversion of 44.0397 ha forest land in favour of EHV project Division Chandrapur for laying of 132 KV D/C Mul-SICOM Chandrapur Electricity Transmission line in Chandrapur district in the state of Maharashtra. **Regarding issue of Stage-II approval**

- Ref:-** 1. Stage-1 approval FC-III/MH-47/2022-NGP/9660 Dt. 02.05.2022
 2. FC-III/MH-47/2022-NGP/12745 DL 11 01.2024
 3. Desk-17/FCA S2/PID-45600/Chandrapur/2921/23-24 Dt. 12.01.2024
 4. MOM dt. 23.08.2024 of 79 meeting of standing committee of National Board of Wildlife held on dt. 31.07.2024
 5. प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक (वन्यजीव) म.रा. नागपूर यांचे पत्र क्र. कक्ष -२३ (२)/ वजी / सर्व्हे / प्र. क्र १७७/ २१६८/ २०२४ - २५ दिनांक ०७.१०.२०२४.
 6. EE/EHV/Projects/DN/CHD/Tech/83 Dt. 30.01.2025
 7. प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक (वन्यजीव) म.रा. नागपूर यांचे पत्र क्र. कक्ष -२३ (२)/ वजी / सर्व्हे / प्र. क्र १७७/ ५३६७/ २०२४ - २५ दिनांक २०.०२.२०२५.
 8. EE EE/EHV/Projects/DN/CHD/Tech/217 Dt. 11.03.2025
 9. मुख्य वनसंरक्षक चंद्रपूर यांचे पत्र क्र. कक्ष-3(1) जमीन प्र.क्र. 503/2024-25/4245 दि. 21.03.2025
 10. का.अ./अउदा/प्रकल्प/विभाग/चंद्र/तां/३०४ दि. २७.०३.२०२५

Dear Sir,

In connection to above subject, this office has already accorded the Stage-1 approval under FCA-1980 vide letter under ref (1) Also, The Govt. of India has accorded the final approval vide letter under ref. (2) for diversion 44.0397 ha forest land in favour of EHV Project Division Chandrapur for laying of 132 KV D/C Mul-SICOM Chandrapur Electricity Transmission line in Chandrapur district in the state of Maharashtra subject to the submission of approval of NBWL proposal. Also, the same has been conveyed by the office of Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Nodal Officer Nagpur vide letter under ref. (3).

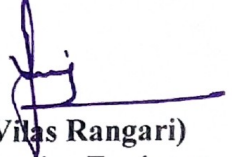
Now, the NBWL proposal has been discussed in 79th meeting of standing committee of National Board of Wildlife held on dt. 31.07.2024 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India and the approval has been received to NBWL proposal vide letter under ref. (4)

vide letter under ref. (5) PCCF (WL) has asked to submit the undertaking regarding starting of work and this office vide letter under ref. (6) has submitted the undertakings.

Vide ref. (7) PCCF (HOFF) has requested to submit undertaking regarding use of insulated cable. Vide ref. (8) this office has submitted the undertaking regarding use of insulated cable.


Vide ref. (9) CCF Chandrapur has requested to submit information regarding use of type of technology for the proposed work. Vide letter under ref. (10) this office has submitted the information regarding use of type of technology for the proposed work.

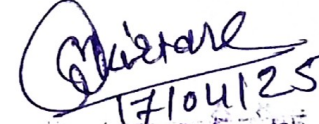
In view of above, it is requested to issue Stage-II approval.


(Vilas Rangari)
Executive Engineer o/c

Copy s.w.r.s to:-

1. APCCF (HoFF) Govt. of Maharashtra Nagpur.
2. The Chief Conservator of Forest, Chandrapur Circle, Chandrapur.
3. The Superintending Engineer, EHV Projects Circle, MSETCL, Nagpur.


13/05/2025
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Nagpur - 440 001, Dated : 12/01/2024

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Chandrapur

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Ref- The Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Nagpur vide letter No.F.No.FC-III/MII-47/2022-NGP/12745, dated 11/01/2024.

The Government of India has accorded final approval vide letter No. F.No.FC-III/47/2022-NGP/12745, dated 11/01/2024 for diversion of 44.0397 ha. of Forest land in favour of EHV Project Division, Chandrapur for laying of 132 KV DC Mul-Sicom Chandrapur Electricity Transmission Line in Chandrapur District in the State of Maharashtra. (copy enclosed)

Government of India accorded final approval subject to fulfillment of conditions 1 & 2 mentioned in the approval order. You are requested to submit the compliance report in English of conditions 1 to 2 for issuance of diversion order at the earliest.

2- As above

(Signature)
12/1/24

(Naresh Zurmure)

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
& Nodal Officer

Copy submitted to the Principal Secretary (Forests), R&FD, Mantralaya, Mumbai -32 for information.
Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Chandrapur Forest Division, Chandrapur for information and necessary action.
Copy to the Executive Engineer, EHV Project Division, MSETCL, Bangali Camp, Chandrapur for information and necessary action.



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✓प्रति,

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विषय- प्रस्तावित १३२ के. व्ही. मुल ते सिकॉम चंद्रपूर व्दिपथ वीज वाहिनीकरीता राज्य व राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाची मान्यतेकरीता. P/S - ११/१०/२४

संदर्भ - १. या कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्रमांक कक्ष-२३(२)/वजी/सर्व्हे/प्र.क्र.१७७/२३८, दि. २४/०४/२०२३.
२. केंद्र शासन, पर्यावरण वने व हवामान बदल मंत्रालय (वन्यजीव विभाग), नवी दिल्ली
यांचेकडील पत्र क्रमांक F.No. WL-6/88/2024-WL, दिनांक २३/०८/२०२४.
(राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाच्या स्थायी समितीची ७९ वी बैठक, दिनांक ३१/०७/२०२४)

संदर्भीय पत्र १ अन्वये विषयांकित प्रकरणीचा प्रस्ताव राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाचे निर्णयार्थ ठेवण्यासाठी राज्य शासनास सादर करण्यात आलेला होता. राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाची २० वी बैठक दिनांक ०२/०५/२०२३ रोजी संपन्न झाली होती. सदर बैठकीमध्ये प्रस्तुत प्रस्तावाचे अनुषंगाने, मंडळाने मुख्य वन्यजीव रक्षक, महाराष्ट्र राज्य यांनी घालून दिलेल्या अटी व शर्तीच्या अधिन राहून सदर प्रस्ताव राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाकडे सादर करण्याची शिफारस केली असून, सदर बैठकीचे कार्यवृत्तांत दिनांक १२/०६/२०२३ अन्वये शासनाने निर्गमित केले होते.

राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाने घालून दिलेल्या अटीनुसार प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने मुद्रांकावर (Stamp Paper) लिखित हमीपत्र सादर केलेला आहे. तसेच पर्यावरण संवेदनशील क्षेत्र व व्याघ्र भ्रमणमार्गातील प्रकल्प किंमतीचे ९.१६ कोटीचे २% रक्कम रु. ०.१९२२ कोटी रक्कमेचा भरणा महाराष्ट्र राज्यातील वन्यजीव संरक्षण आणि व्यवस्थापन उपक्रमांसाठी प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने ताडोबा- अंधारी व्याघ्र संवर्धन प्रतिष्ठान यांचेकडे जमा करण्यात आलेली आहे. त्याबाबतचा अहवाल

वनसंरक्षक तथा क्षेत्र संचालक, ताडोबा- अंधारी व्याघ्र प्रकल्प, चंद्रपूर यांचे कार्यालयीन पत्र दिनांक ०७/०८/२०२३ रोजी या कार्यालयास सादर केले होते.

राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाच्या स्थायी समितीचे दिनांक ३१/०७/२०२४ रोजीचे ७९ व्या बैठकीमध्ये प्रस्तुत प्रस्तावास खालील अटीनुसार मान्यता प्रदान केलेली आहे. (प्रत सहपत्रीत)

1. The User Agency shall implement animal passage plan prepared in consultation with Chief Wild Life Warden.
2. The User Agency shall bear the cost of mitigation measures which are suggested by the experts & shall contribute for restoration including: a. Minimum ground clearance of 11.60 m in the forest area, b. Vertical distance between two conductors should not be less than 3.9 meter for safe passage of avifauna.
3. Personnel, engaged in the project work shall abide the provisions of all the existing legal provisions, especially the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and rules made there under & also take all precautionary measures for conservation & protection of flora, fauna in the vicinity of the project.
4. The User Agency will make provision for barricading the work site to avoid any human or wildlife mishaps.
5. No dumping of debris on wet lands and forest area will be done by User Agency. Any violation will be dealt in strictly.
6. The laying of transmission line and its ancillary works should be carried out with utmost care so as to cause least impact on the wildlife in the notified protected area, & final ESZ.
7. All the other mandatory permissions from different statutory authorities should be obtained prior to commencement of work.
8. It shall be ensured that no damage or disturbance is caused to the wildlife and its habitat.
9. 2% of the project cost for works within ESZ and Corridor should be deposited by the project agency with Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Conservation Foundation of Maharashtra for improvement of wildlife and its habitat in Wildlife Sanctuaries and National Parks in Maharashtra.
10. Insulated cables should be used along the entire stretch of the proposed transmission line passing through forest area in the tiger corridor so as to avoid electrocution to avifauna and other arboreal species as well as avoid poaching using electricity.

11. Width of the right of the way for the 132 kV DC transmission line on forest land should not be over 27 m (vide MoEFCC Guidelines F. No. 7-25/2012-FC dated May 5, 2014).
12. The trees required to be felled along the existing alignment shall be assessed correctly.
13. The alignment of the powerline should be made such that minimum numbers of trees are felled. Vegetation clearance along forest stretches should be avoided or minimized to the largest extent possible by increasing height of towers structure to maintain safe vertical clearance. Any felling/ pollarding/ pruning of trees for allowing electrical clearance/ maintenance will be done with the permission of competent authority of Maharashtra Forest Department. Only those trees that are of sufficient height to compromise the requirements of minimal vertical and horizontal clearance from the conductor wires at maximum sag point should be lopped.
14. Periodic clearing of vegetation along the powerline may bring up invasive species. Integrated vegetation management with the plantation of native, palatable species should be actively promoted by the User Agency in collaboration with Maharashtra Forest Department below the powerline. This will not only prevent growth of invasive unpalatable species like but also will provide excellent food for wild ungulates in form of its leaves and fruits.
15. No construction material (including soil, stones etc.) should be collected from the forest. Construction debris should not be dumped inside the forest or wetland areas and they should be transported by the User Agency to suitable dumping sites outside the forests and wetlands.
16. The right of way once it is cleared shall be divided in the following two zones:
 - A. Wire zone: The area below the powerline:**
 - i. Plant low-growing non-woody perennial and evergreen native plant species of herbs, grasses, and forbs.
 - ii. Identify these plant species which have large flowers of cream colour, white colour, and bluish mauve, which are more preferred by pollinators.
 - iii. Manage the area from encroachment by woody vegetation using manual removal of such species regularly.
 - iv. A suggested tentative list of the plant species for this zone concerning the biogeographic zone may be considered. However, it is advisable to examine

the available checklists of regional flora or discuss plant taxonomist of that region for the selection of the required type of plant species for this zone.

B. Border zone: The area between the edges of the powerline and ROW:

- i. Select low-growing (dwarf) native perennial palatable shrub species having a maximum mature height of 3m and manage the area from encroachment by woody vegetation through manual removal.
- ii. Most of these are dwarf shrub species and may be selected from the suggested list in "Plantation Model for Planting Dwarf Species in RoW of Transmission Lines" (MoEFCC, 2023).

17. Management of vegetation beyond ROW edges as "Outer zone": This zone is beyond ROW, and it is less likely that any tree of mature height will touch the powerlines. Therefore, trees are permitted in this zone. It is suggested to plant suitable native trees in the right place to provide shade, cover, and wildlife habitat. Plantation of native palatable plant species may be selected from the "Plantation Model for Planting Dwarf Species in RoW of Transmission Lines" (MoEFCC, 2023) and upon consultations with Goa Forest Department.

18. The State Government shall take action for violation of Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 for the works carried out without the approval of the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life.

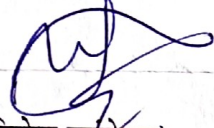
19. CWLW, Maharashtra should develop appropriate mechanism to monitor the compliance of the conditions stipulated herein at various phases of project implementation.

20. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the User Agency to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government of India.

वरील अटीचे अनुषंगाने, अट क्र. १ ची पूर्तता प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने पूर्ण केली असून, अट क्र. १ ते ८ व १० ते २० बाबत मुद्रांकावर हमीपत्र विहित मार्गाने या कार्यालयास सादर करावे. तसेच प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने इतर प्राधिकरणाकडून काही परवानग्या घेणे आवश्यक असल्यास, त्या घेऊन कामे सुरु करण्याची मान्यता प्रदान करण्यात येत आहे.

सदर वरील बाबीचे अनुषंगाने, भारतीय वन अधिनियम - १९२७, वन्यजीव (संरक्षण) कायदा १९७२, वन (संवर्धन व संरक्षण) कायदा १९८० व इतर प्रचलित नियमांचे भंग न होता प्रस्तावित कामे केली जातील हयाची दक्षता घ्यावी.

सहपत्र :- वरील प्रमाणे.



(विवेक खड्केकर)

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प्रतिलिपी :- अपर प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक तथा केंद्रस्थ अधिकारी यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस अग्रेषित.

प्रतिलिपी :- अपर प्रधान मुख्य वनसंरक्षक (वन्यजीव) पूर्व, नागपूर यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस अग्रेषित.

प्रतिलिपी :- मुख्य वनसंरक्षक (प्रादेशिक), चंद्रपूर यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस अग्रेषित.

प्रतिलिपी :- विभागीय वन अधिकारी, चंद्रपूर वनविभाग, चंद्रपूर यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस अग्रेषित. वरील प्रमाणे अटी व शर्तीची पूर्तता प्रकल्प यंत्रनेने केल्याबाबतचा अहवाल ईकडील कार्यालयास वेळोवेळी सादर करावा.



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प्रति,

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विषय- प्रस्तावित १३२ के. व्ही. मुल ते सिकॉम चंद्रपूर व्दिपथ वीज वाहिनीकरीता राज्य व राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाची मान्यतेकरीता.

संदर्भ - १. या कार्यालयाचे पत्र क्रमांक कक्ष-२३(२)/वजी/सर्व्हे/प्र.क्र.१७७/२३८, दि. २४/०४/२०२३.

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संदर्भीय पत्र १ अन्वये विषयांकित प्रकरणीचा प्रस्ताव राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाचे निर्णयार्थ ठेवण्यासाठी राज्य शासनास सादर करण्यात आलेला होता. राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाची २० वी बैठक दिनांक ०२/०५/२०२३ रोजी संपन्न झाली होती. सदर बैठकीमध्ये प्रस्तुत प्रस्तावाचे अनुषंगाने, मंडळाने मुख्य वन्यजीव रक्षक, महाराष्ट्र राज्य यांनी घालून दिलेल्या अटी व शर्तीच्या अधिन राहून सदर प्रस्ताव राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाकडे सादर करण्याची शिफारस केली असून, सदर बैठकीचे कार्यवृत्तांत दिनांक १२/०६/२०२३ अन्वये शासनाने निर्गमित केले होते.

राज्य वन्यजीव मंडळाने घालून दिलेल्या अटीनुसार प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने मुद्रांकावर (Stamp Paper) लिखित हमीपत्र सादर केलेला होता. तसेच पर्यावरण संवेदनशील क्षेत्र व व्याघ्र भ्रमणमार्गातील प्रकल्प किंमतीचे ९.१६ कोटीचे २% रक्कम रु. ०.१९२२ कोटी रक्कमेचा भरणा महाराष्ट्र राज्यातील वन्यजीव संरक्षण आणि व्यवस्थापन उपक्रमांसाठी प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने ताडोबा- अंधारी व्याघ्र संवर्धन प्रतिष्ठान यांचेकडे जमा करण्यात आलेली आहे. त्याबाबतचा अहवाल वनसंरक्षक तथा क्षेत्र संचालक, ताडोबा- अंधारी व्याघ्र प्रकल्प, चंद्रपूर यांचे कार्यालयीन पत्र दिनांक ०७/०८/२०२३ रोजी या कार्यालयास सादर केले होते.

राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाच्या स्थायी समितीचे दिनांक ३१/०७/२०२४ रोजीचे ७९ व्या बैठकीमध्ये प्रस्तुत प्रस्तावास मान्यता प्रदान केली होती.

प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाने घालून दिलेल्या अतिरीक्त अटीबाबत मुद्रांकावर हमीपत्र विहीत मार्गाने या कार्यालयास सादर करावे. तसेच प्रकल्प यंत्रणेने इतर प्राधिकरणाकडून काही परवानग्या घेणे आवश्यक असल्यास, त्या घेऊन कामे सुरु करणेबाबत या कार्यालयाचे संदर्भ पत्र ३ अन्वये आपणांस कळविण्यात आले होते.

सदर प्रस्ताव राष्ट्रीय वन्यजीव मंडळाच्या स्थायी समितीचे दिनांक २१/१२/२०२४ रोजीचे ८१ व्या बैठकीमध्ये प्रस्तुत प्रस्तावावर चर्चा करून संदर्भ पत्र २ अन्वये खालीलप्रमाणे निर्णय घेण्यात आला. (प्रत सहपत्रीत)

"After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that in the approvals given for these proposals, the condition that 'The User Agency shall ensure use of best available technology for the project to prevent electrocution of avifauna and other arboreal species, as well as poaching of animals using electricity' shall be substituted in place of the condition that 'Insulated cables shall be used along the entire stretch of the proposed transmission line so as to avoid electrocution to avifauna and other arboreal species as well as avoid poaching using electricity'"

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सहपत्र :- वरील प्रमाणे.



(एम. श्रीनिवास राव)

मुख्य वन्यजीव रक्षक तथा
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प्रतिलिपी:- प्रधान सचिव (वने), महसूल व वनविभाग, मंत्रालय, मुंबई यांना माहिती व योग्य त्या कार्यवाहीस

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Date: 9th January, 2025

To,

All Members
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Sub: Minutes of 81st Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life-reg.

Sir/Madam,

Kindly find enclosed a copy of the Minutes of 81st Meeting of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wild Life held on 21st December, 2024 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India.

Yours faithfully,

Signed by

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7. No adverse impact shall be caused to the wild animals and their habitat.
8. The User Agency shall take adequate measures against all kinds of pollution likely to be caused by implementation of the project including disasters like oil & gas leakage or explosion of the well.
9. An amount equivalent to the cost of implementing the measures to mitigate impact of the activities proposed in the project in the ESZ shall be deposited by the User Agency to be utilized by the Chief Wild Life Warden in consonance with the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide F. No. 6-30/2019-WL dated 13.12.2023.
10. An annual compliance certificate on the stipulated conditions shall be submitted by the User Agency to the State Chief Wild Life Warden and an annual compliance certificate shall be submitted by the State Chief Wild Life Warden to Government.

AGENDA ITEM No. 3

81.3 AMENDMENT IN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS

81.3.1 Amendment in the minutes of the 79th meeting of the Standing Committee

Following three proposals for transmission lines by the Maharashtra State Electricity Corporation Limited were approved by the Standing Committee with certain conditions in the 79th meeting held on 31st July, 2024:

- a. 79.2.12 Proposal for use of 131.1255 ha (44.0937 ha forest land and 87.0858 ha non forestland) from tiger corridor connecting Tadoba Andheri Tiger Reserve and Indravati Tiger Reserve and tiger corridor land scape in between Tadoba Andheri Tiger Reserve and Tipeswar Wildlife Sanctuary and Kawal Tiger Reserve for the purpose of 132 KV DC Mul-SICOM Chandrapur Transmission line. **WL/MH/TRANS/419749/2023**
- b. 79.2.13 Proposal for use of 3.064 ha of forest land from the tiger corridor connecting Tadoba Andhari Tiger Reserve and Navegaon Nagzira Tiger Reserve for laying of 220 KV D/C Transmission Line from existing Umred Sub Station to proposed Nagbhid Sub Station Under MSETCL. **FP/MH/TRANS/44469/2020**
- c. 79.4.74 Proposal for use of 1.2005 ha of forest land & 29.484 ha of Non-forest land from Bor-Pench Tiger Corridor in Eastern Vidharba Landscape for laying of 220 KV Kalmeshwar to Warud EHV Transmission line in Nagpur district, Maharashtra. **WL/MH/TRANS/450298/2023**

The Standing Committee was informed that the present proposal is for amendment of one of the conditions imposed based on the advice given by the National Tiger Conservation Authority. The User Agency has

requested to review the conditions that 'Insulated cables shall be used along the entire stretch of the proposed transmission line so as to avoid electrocution to avifauna and other arboreal species as well as avoid poaching using electricity.'

The User Agency through the State Forest Department, Maharashtra has informed that the lines are air insulated and have sufficient safety measures with respect to the wildlife/avifauna and have requested the stipulated condition.

The Ministry sought comments from the NTCA on the request made by the User Agency. The NTCA has concurred that the said condition may be reviewed subject to the condition that the User Agency will ensure use of best available technology for the project to prevent electrocution of avifauna and other arboreal species, as well as poaching of animals using electricity.

The Standing Committee was informed that the gap between the conductors acts as insulation. In case of such high voltage transmission lines, insulated cables are not technically feasible.

Dr. H. S. Singh suggested that the transmission line companies shall invest in research on installation of insulated cables of high voltage lines.

Decision Taken: After discussions, the Standing Committee decided that in the approvals given for these proposals, the condition that 'The User Agency shall ensure use of best available technology for the project to prevent electrocution of avifauna and other arboreal species, as well as poaching of animals using electricity' shall be substituted in place of the condition that 'Insulated cables shall be used along the entire stretch of the proposed transmission line so as to avoid electrocution to avifauna and other arboreal species as well as avoid poaching using electricity'.

81.3.2 Proposal for use of 24281 ha from Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuary for artillery firing and practice at Mandalhang field firing ranges (MTFFR), UT of Ladakh.

The Standing Committee was informed that the proposal from UT of Ladakh for use of 24281 ha of forest land from Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuary for artillery firing and practice at Mandalhang field firing ranges (MTFFR) was considered and recommended with certain conditions in the 73rd meeting of the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life held on 17.07.2023.

One of the conditions imposed was that the User Agency shall pay Net Present Value (NPV) and other charges in accordance with the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the MoEF&CC guidelines.

The Army Hq. has requested for charging of NPV for Impact Zone of the