

From

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

The District Forest Officer, Villupuram Forest Division, Villupuram.

Sir,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 - Villupuram Forest Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.1137 ha of forest land for laying of underground Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) along road side of Thiruvannamalai to Thiyagadurgam road section from Pagandai Kootroad to Thiyagadurgam through Swamimalai RF in Kallakurichi District in favour of M/s Reliance JioInfocomm Limited, Mylapore, Chennai - Compliance report submission of - Regarding.

Ref:

- (1) The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change Lr.No.F.No.4-TNB107/2023-CHN/918 dated 31.07.2023.
- (2) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai C.No. TS3/32367/2022 dated 12.09.2023.
- (6) District Forest Officer, Villupuram C.No.D/10306/2022, dated 15.09.2023.

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 0.1137 ha. of forest land for the use underground OFC works along the road side of Thiruvannamalai to Thiyagadurgam road section from Pagandai Kootroad to Thiyagadurgam through Swamimalai RF in Kallakurichi District in Villupuram Forest Division, as follows:

Cond ition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
i.	Legal status of the diverted forest	Legal status of the forest land will
	land shall remain unchanged.	remain unchanged. An undertaking
		is separately enclosed.



Cond ition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
ii.	Demarcation of the proposed forest	Demarcation of the proposed forest
	area shall be carried out by erecting	area by erecting 4 feet high cement
	of 4 feet high cement concrete	concrete pillars duly numbered
	pillars duly numbered at the	for each and every turning at an
	appropriate distance as decided by	interval of visible distance of 200
	the District Forest Officer	meters has been laid and also
	concerned, at the cost of User	assured to maintain the
	Agency.	demarcation stones for the entire
		project diversion period.
iii.	The State Forest Department shall	An amount of Rs.5,82,795/-
	carryout plantation of 254 numbers	(Rupees Five Lakhs Eighty Two
	of saplings with maintenance for a	Thousand Seven Hundred and
	period of 10 years in the Degraded	Ninety Five Only) has been paid
	Forest Land area over an extent of	directly to the CAPMA account vide
	0.2274 ha. identified in Thagarai	UTR No. AXISP00442103961 by
	R.F. Kallakurichi Range, at the cost	generating challan in the Ministry's
	of the User Agency. The CA shall be	website by NEFT / RTGS towards
	carried out as per the time line	the Compensatory Afforestation
	provided in the Forest Conservation	cost in the Degraded Forest Land
	Rules, 2022.	area over an extent of 0.2274 ha.
		(Thagarai R.F.) by the District
		Forest Officer, Villupuram against
×		the proposed area to an extent of
		0.1137 ha. across Swamimalai RF.
iv.	Full exemption of NPV is allowed in	An undertaking is enclosed for
	case of laying of underground OFC	
	cable provided no felling of trees is	
	involved and area proposed for	
	diversion is outside of Protected	
	Area as per the MoEF&CC	



Cond ition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
	Guidelines. But in case an amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of	
	the diverted forest land if any,	5
	becoming due after revision of the	4
	same by the Honl'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;	
v.	The maximum size of the trench	
	shall not exceed 2.00 meter depth,	this regard.
	3.79 km length and 0.30 meter	
	width. The forest land shall be	
	restored to its original state after	
	laying the same.	
vi.	The layout plan of the proposal	A separate certificate is enclosed in
	shall not be changed without the	this regard.
	prior approval of the Central	
	Government	×
	No labour camp shall be	A separate certificate is enclosed in
vii.	established on the forest land	this regard.
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viii.	Disturbance shall be kept minimal	
	by creating labour camps outside	this regard.
	the forest area as far as possible	
	and it will be the responsibility of	
	the User Agency to ensure that the	



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	machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.	
ix.	Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the laborer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.	A separate certificate is enclosed in this regard.
Х.	No tree felling shall be carried out bythe User Agency	A separate certificate is enclosed in this regard.
xi.	RoFR certificate to be obtained from the competent authority and same shall be ensured by the State Govt. before execution of project work, as per the provision made under Forest Conservation Rules, 2022;	Recognition of Forest Rights Act, 2006 certificate obtained from the District Collector in the prescribed format has been submitted with the application.
xii.	The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, development or person without prior approval of the Central Government	this regard.



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ition No.	Conditions stipulated by Government of India	Compliance of condition
xiii.	The total forest area utilized for the	A separate certificate is enclosed in
	project shall not exceed 0.1137 ha	this regard.
	andthe forest area diverted shall not	
	be used for any purpose other than	
	those shown in the diversion	
	proposal.	
xiv.	User Agency and the State	A separate certificate is enclosed in
	Government shall ensure compliance	this regard.
	to provisions of the all Acts, Rules,	
	Regulations and Guidelines, for the	
	time being in force, as applicable to	
	the project.	
xv.	Any other conditions that the	A separate certificate is enclosed in
	Central Government or Regional	this regard.
	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 thearea, shall be	
	complied by the User Agency.	
xvi.	In the event of failure to comply	A separate certificate is enclosed in
	with any of the above conditions the	this regard.
	user agency is liable for penal	
	action as per the provisions in	
	Ministry's guidelines.	



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 0.1137 ha of forest land for laying of underground OFC along Thiruvannamalai to Thiyagadurgam road section from Pagandai Kootroad to Thiyagadurgam through Swamimalai RF in Kallakurichi District in Villupuram Forest Division for approval.

Encl.: As stated above.

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, Villupuram Circle.



UNDERTAKING

We, M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai is hereby undertake that the legal status of diverted forest land shall remain unchanged and shall remain as Reserved Forests.



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We, M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai is hereby undertake that we are ready to pay the Additional amount of the 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 change by the State Government in future.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 meter depth, 3.79 km length and 0.30 meter width. The forest land shall be restored to its original state after laying the same.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government and also the work will be carried out only on the proposed layout plan.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that **no labour camp shall be established**on the forest land which was diverted for the proposed underground optical fibre cable laying works.



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This is to certify that disturbance shall be kept minimal by creating labour camps outside the forest area as far as possible and to ensure that the machinery, labourers and staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora and fauna.



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This is to certify that sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided if any to the laborer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.



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This is to certify that no tree felling shall be carried out during the execution optical fibre cable laying works.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, development or person without prior approval of the Central Government.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed proposed 0.1137 ha and also certify that, the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai 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 the project.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we shall comply the 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.



CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that in the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions, we will obey the penal action as per the provisions in Ministry's guidelines.

AGENCY COPY



NEFT / RTGS CHALLAN for CAMPA Funds

Date: 31-10-2023

Agency Name.	Jio Digital Fibre Private Limited	
Application No.	19936378476	
MoEF/SG File No.	4-TNB107/2023-CHN	
Location.	TAMILNADU	
Address.	No.89 Dr Radhakrishnan Salal Mylapore Chennal 4Chennal	
Amount(in Rs)	582795/-	

Amount in Words :Five Lakh Eighty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Five Rupees Only

NEFT/RTGS to be made as per following details;

Beneficiary Name:	TAMILNADU CAMPA
IFSC Code:	UBIN0996335
Pay to Account No.	1508719936378476 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

 This Challan is strictly to be used for making payment to CAMPA by NEFT/RTGS only

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Note: After making the required payment through challan, if the payment status has not been updated even after 7 working days, then kindly mail a copy of your challan with transaction date and reference id to Email: fcsblr@unlonbankofindia.bank, epurse@unlonbankofindla.bank, ubin0903710@unlonbankofindla.bank

Rangarajan Srinivasan (HFCL)

Axis Bank Alerts <alerts@axisbank.com>

From: Sent:

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Subject: Attachments:

08 November 2023 19:31

Janakiraman Pattabi

[External]NEFT is initiated with transaction reference no. AXISP00442103961

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08-11-2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

We wish to inform you, TAMILNADU CAMPA, that NEFT for your A/c no. XX8476 for an amount of INR 5,82,795.00 has been initiated with transaction reference no. AXISP00442103961.

For further clarification regarding this transaction, please contact the concerned officials at JIO DIGITAL FIBRE PVT LTD.

Please note that the time taken for effective credit in your account is dependent on settlement time and the time taken by your bank to process the transaction.

Always open to help you.

Regards,

Axis Bank Ltd.

Jio Digital Fibre PV

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Authorised Signatory

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

पर्यावरण ,वनएवंजलवायुपरिवर्तनमंत्रालय

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS &
CLIMATE CHANGE
Regional Office

Additional Office Block for GPOA, 1st Floor, Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai-600 006; Ph: 044-28222041; Fax: 28252536:

E-mail: ro.moefccc@gov.in

Τo

यःगमन अस्त

F.No.4-TNB107/2023-CHN/ 918

Date July, 2023

The Additional Chief Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu, Environment & Forests Department, Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai – 600 009

Subject: Diversion of 0.1137 ha of forest land in Villupuram Forest Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along road side of Thiruvannamalai to Thiyagadurgam road section from Pagandai Koot road to Thiyagadurgam through Swamimalai RFs in Kallakuruchi District in favour of M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai - Reg.

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letter 4647808/FR.10/2023-1 dated 17.07.2023, and online proposal No.FP/TN/Others/36378/2018, seeking prior approval of the Central Government for diversion of forest land in accordance with Section'2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above mentioned project.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am hereby directed to convey the Central Government's in-principle approval (*Stage-I*) under Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.1137 ha of forest land in Villupuram Forest Division for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along road side of Thiruvannamalai to Thiyagadurgam road section from Pagandai Koot road to Thiyagadurgam through Swamimalai RFs in Kallakuruchi District in favour of M/s. Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, Chennai, for a period of 25 years, subject to the following conditions:-

- Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
- (ii) Demarcation of the proposed forest area shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high cement concrete pillars duly numbered at the appropriate distance as decided by the DFO concerned, at the cost of User Agency;

- (iii) The State Forest Department shall carryout plantation of 254 numbers of saplings with maintenance for a period of 10 years in the DFL area over an extent of 0.2274 ha identified in Thagarai RF Kallakurichi Range, at the cost of the User Agency. The CA shall be carried out as per the time line provided in the FC Rules 2022;
- (iv) Full exemption of NPV is allowed in case of laying of underground OFC cable provided no felling of trees is involved and area proposed for diversion is outside of Protected Area as per the MoEF&CC Guidelines. But in case an amount of the 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 in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect;
- (v) The maximum size of the trench shall not exceed 2.00 mtr depth, 3.79 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;
- (vii) 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 & staff engaged in execution of work shall not destruct nearby forest flora & 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 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;
- (xi) RoFR certificate to be obtained from the competent authority and same shall be ensured by the State Govt. before execution of project work, as per the provision made under FC rules 2022;
- (xii) 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:

- (xiii) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed **0.1137 ha** and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;
- (xiv) 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 the project:
- (xv) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Deputy Director General of Forests (Central) of the 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;
- (xvi) 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.

After receipt of the compliance report on above mentioned conditions, the proposal will be considered for final approval. Where compliance of condition imposed in the 'In-principle' approval is awaited from the Union territory Administration, as the case may be, for more than two years, the 'In-Principle' approval shall be deemed to be null and void.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

Signed by Karthikevan Karuppiah Date: 31-07-2023 09:49:48 (K.Karthikevan) Reason: Approved Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

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Guard file.

- The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, 1. Forest Department, Guindy-Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai - 32
- The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal 2. Officer (FCA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests. Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Forest Department, Guindy-Velachery Main Road, Guindy, Chennai - 32
- IGF, ROHQ, MoEF&CC, New Delhi -110003 for information please 3. M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited, No.89 Dr Radhakrishnan SalaiMylapore Chennai. Tamil Nadu-600004.

balsamy.thirunagalingam@ril.com

Sd/-(K.Karthikevan) Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central

C.No. D/10306/2022

O/o the District Forest Officer, Villupuram Division, Villupuram. Dated: 15.09.2023.

- Sub:- F(C)Act,1980 Diversion of 0.1137 ha Swamimalai RF to M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm, Chennai for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) along road side of Tiruvannamalai to Thiyagadurgam road section road form Pagandai koot road to Thiyagadurgam over a distance of 3.79 Kms in Villupuram Division -Reg
- Ref:- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai ref: TS3/32367/2022 dated: 12.09.2023.
 - 2. The District Forest Office, Villupuram C.No:10306/2022/D, Dated: 24.08.2023

It is informed that the Government has conveyed Stage – I approval with conditions and instructed to send compliance report for issuing final approval for diversion of 0.1137 Ha of forest land in Swamimalai RF of Kallakurichi Range for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable (OFC) along road side of Tiruvannamalai to Thiyagadurgam road section road form Pagandai koot road to Thiyagadurgam road over a distance of 3.79 Kms in favour of the M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm, Chennai for the period of 25 years. As per the conditions the C.A. amount has to be collected from the user agency.

Compensatory Afforestation:

I wish to inform that in continuation of the reference cited revised demand for Compensatory Afforestation amount is Rs: 5,82,795.

Hence, I request you to transfer/deposit to CA cost to the tune of Rs: 5,82,795 to management & planning authority fund only through e – portal & send compliance report atonce.

Further, Demarcation of proposed forest area boundary should be erected 4 feet high cement concrete pillars, dully numbered at an interval of 200 mts.

Sd/Sumesh soman, District Forest Officer, Villupuram Division, Villupuram.

To,M/s Reliance Jio Infocomm limited, No: 89,Dr Radhakrishnan Salai, Mylapore, Chennai -4
Copy to the Forest Range Officer, Kallakurichi

Copy of the reference cited is sent herewith wherein some conditions were imposed by the Government for this project. He is requested to submit the compliance report in due course. Adjoining patta land details should be reported at once for fixation of lease rent.

//T.C.B.O//

Draughting Officer

Demarcation of proposed forest area by cement concrete pillars at an interval of 200 meters



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