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✓ To,

Deputy Exicutive Engineer,
State road project division,
Vadodara

Sub:- A Proposal for diversion of **0.08175 Hect.** of Protected Forest Land for the Non-Forest purpose Design, Supply, Instalation, Integration, Commission, Operations and Maintainance of the IT/ICT-ITS works of Gandhinagar laying of 40 mm Dia OFC from Vayu Sena Circle to IGP office on road no.7 in Gandhinagar City under safe corridor demonstration program of second gujarat state highway project.

Ref:- 1. Government of Gujarat, Forest & Environment Department Letter No.- FCA/I015/1013/I5/SF-83F (1), Dt.04/02/2016.

2. User Agency Latter No. Application on, Dt.: 12/01/2022

I am directed to invite a reference to your letter dated 12/01/2022 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as per following:

Protected Forest Gandhinagar Division							
Sr.No	SH/NH no.	Taluka	Length	Width	Area	Location	
			(Meters)	(Meters)	(Hectares)	From	To
1	laying of 40 mm Dia OFC from road no.7 Vayu Sena Circle to Gh-7 Circle left Side	Gandhinagar	2049	0.3	0.0615	road no.7 Vayu Sena Circle	Gh-7 Circle left Side
2	laying of 40 mm Dia OFC from road no.7 Gh-7 Circle to IGP Office left Side	Gandhinagar	676	0.3	0.0203	road no.7 Gh-7 Circle	IGP Office left Side
Total			2725		0.08175		

Government of Gujarat, Forest & Environment Department, Gandhinagar vide its circular mentioned under Reference has delegated powers under "**General Approval**" to the concerned divisional forest officer to grant approval under forest (Conservation) act, 1980 for laying of underground optical fiber cables, telephone lines, drinking water, electric lines, CNG/PNG pipeline and Petroleum pipeline along the roads within existing right of way not falling in National Parks and Wild life sanctuaries, without felling of trees, where the maxi mum size of the trench is not more than 2.00 meter depth and 1.00 meter width subject to certiaın conditions.

AND whereas, the user agency, while applying and through the documents submitted, has confirmed that its FCA proposal, falls along the roads within existing right of way not falling in National Parks and Wildlife sanctuaries, without felling of trees, where the maximum size of the

trench is not more than 2.00 meter depth and 1.00 meter width and hence fulfils all the above specified conditions and eligibility, as laid down in circular mentioned at ref (1) and falls under the category of proposal eligible for **"General approval"**..

AND whereas having verified on the site that above facts are correct and fulfils the above specific conditions of "General approval" the following order is issued.

In view of the above, the undersigned is pleased to convey its **"in principle"** approval for diversion of **0.08175 ha.** of OFC subject to the following conditions:

- (1) This permission is granted only for use of the forest land for the purpose specified in the proposal. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (2) The cost of NPV, Registration Fees, Processing Fees etc. as per Demand Note attached herewith shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the project authority
- (3) The User Agencies shall generate challan through OSMFWC portal before making payment for Stage-II Clearance process. All the fund shall be deposited through OSMFWC portal by the User Agency.
- (4) In future if any amount regarding Net Present Value (NPV) or Compensatory Afforestation (CA) is required the user agency is bounded to pay in favor of Deputy Conservator of Forest.
- (5) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the FCA proposal.
- (6) The user agency will have to obtain permission from the undersigned for carrying out any maintenance works in future.
- (7) The user agency will have to make good the forest land after use/maintenance work. No tree shall be cut.
- (8) The user agency will be liable to make good any loss to Forests/Environment caused due to the use of the said land by the user agency.
- (9) The user agency will seek permission from the Road & Building Department/ Science & Technology Dept. Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar, if required so.
- (10) The line will be laid underground in a trench of depth of 1.6 Meters and width of 0.45 mt in between rows of road side plantation.
- (11) The User Agency shall submit the details regarding compliance of MoEF's guideline dated 03.08.2009, 05.02.2013 and 15.09.2016 with regard to the Scheduled Tribe & Other Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.
- (12) The additional conditions under chapter-5 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 shall be applicable to this proposal as the Government of Gujarat's Resolution No.FCA-1013/11-10/11/SF-24/F, Dated 12.06.2015. The user agency shall comply additional condition as per the aforementioned resolution.
- (13) Any other condition, which the Nodal officer (FCA)/the State Government may stipulate from time to time.

Yours Faithfully,



(S. M. Damor)

Deputy Conservator of Forest
Gandhinagar Division
Gandhinagar

Copy Submitted to: - The Principle Secretary, Forest & Environment Department, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.

Copy Submitted to: - Additional Principle Chief Conservator of Forests, Land, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.

Copy Submitted to: - Chief Conservator of Forests Gandhinagar Circle in favor of information.


PART-II

(To be enclosed by Deputy Conservator of Forestry)

7.	Location of the project/scheme	A Proposal for diversion of 0.08175 Hect. of Protected Forest Land for the Non-Forest purpose Design, Supply, Instalation, Integration, Commission, Operations and Maintainance of the IT/ICT-ITS works of Gandhinagar laying of 40 mm Dia OFC from Vayu Sena Circle to IGP office on road no.7 in Gandhinagar City under safe corridor demonstration program of second gujarat state highway project.
(i)	State/Union Territory	Gujarat
(ii)	District	Gandhinagar
(iii)	Division	Forest Division Gandhinagar
(iv)	Area of Forest land proposed for division (in ha)	0.08175 ha
(v)	Legal Status of forest	Protected Forest
(vi)	Density of Vegetation	80% of Eco Class 4
(vii)	Species-wise (scientific names) and dia meter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed at FRL.FRL meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed)	No tree should be cut in demand area.
(viii)	Brief note on valuably of the forest area to erosion	It is a flat area. There will be no erosion to forest area .
(ix)	Approximately distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest	This area is in Adjoining to roadside Forest (Protected Forest).
(x)	Whether forms part of state park, wild life sanctuary-biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor etc.(if so the details of the area and comments of the chief wildlife warden to be annexed)	No Applicable
(xi)	Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/defense establishment or other important monuments is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required	No
8.	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.2 of part-1 is for the project. If no recommended area item wise with details of alternative examined	Yes Enclosed.
9.	Whether any works in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If yes, details of the same including period of works done, action taken on hearing officials, whether work in violation is still in progress.	NO Violation
10.	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme	Not Applicable
(i)	Details of non-forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, sizes of each patch	NO
(ii)	Map showing non-forest/degrades forest area identified	Annexure-2

	for compensatory structure etc. afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries	
(iii)	Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted implementing agency, time schedule, cost	Not Applicable
(iv)	Total Financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme	Not Applicable
(v)	Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view (to be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest)	No
11.	Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col.7 (xi, xii) 8 and 9 above	Enclosed (Site Inspection Report is attached herewith Annexure-17)
12.	Division/District profile:	
(i)	Geographical area of the district	2163.48 Ha
(ii)	Forest area of the district Gandhinagar	112.94 Ha
(iii)	Total forest area diverted since 1980 on with of cases 135 Dt.24.02.2022	192.8916 sq.km
(iv)	Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on Dt.24.02.2022	355.3 Ha
(a)	Forest land including penal compensatory afforestation	1.93 Ha
(b)	Non-Forest land	53.0245 Ha
(v)	Progress of compensatory afforestation as on Dt.24.02.2022 on 135 cases	281.7284 Ha
(a)	Forest Land	228.7039 Ha
(b)	Non- Forest land	53.0245 Ha
13.	Specific recommendation of the DCF for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with	Recommendation for diversion of 0.08175 Ha.

PLACE:- GANDHINAGAR
DATE:- 24/02/2022


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 Deputy Conservator of Forest
 Gandhinagar Division
 Gandhinagar