

**Government of Punjab
Department of Forests & Wildlife Preservation
(Forest Branch)**

To

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF)
Punjab, S.A.S. Nagar.

No. FCA/1980/301/2019/ 4957
FP/PB/OFC/43043/2019

Dated: 26-2-2020

Sub: - Diversion of 1.37 ha. Of Forest land for laying of optical fiber cable from ShriHargobindpur Bus Stand to UmarpuraChowkBatala to Jalandhar Amritsar Bye Pass to Bodhe di Khoi, Total Length 30300 Meter, under Forest Division Gurdaspur, Punjab

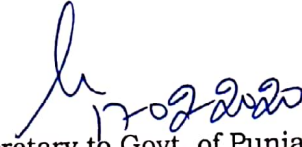
Ref: - Your office U.O. no. 405 dated: 10-2-2020

Government of India has accorded general approval under the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 vide letter No. F.No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019 under para 4.2 according in the cases of laying of Underground Telephone Lines, Optical Fiber Cable/Underground Laying of Drinking Water Supply Pipeline.

After careful consideration of the proposal submitted vide your letter under reference general approval of Govt. of India under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for " **In Principle Approval** " diversion of **1.37 ha.** of forest land for digging of trenches measuring **30300mtrs.** long and 0.45 mtrs wide along the road for laying of Optical Fiber Cable **Jio Digital Fiber Pvt. Ltd.** is hereby conveyed subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land will remain unchanged.
2. The forest land to be diverted as per in-principle approval will not be use for any other purpose.
3. No tree will be felled by the user agency in this case.
4. As per the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide order dated 28-3-08 in I.A No. 826 in 566 in W.P.(C) 202 of 1995, the user agency is exempted for paying of the charges under NPV provided: (a) no felling of trees is involved and (b) the areas fall outside National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary.
5. User Agency has given Bank Guarantee of Rs. 7,57,500/- to **DFO, Gurdaspur.**
6. The Optical Fiber Cable will be laid along the road within the existing right of way and close to the outermost edge of the forest land. The dug out land shall be restored by the User Agency and the same shall be made good immediately after the approved operation.
7. This approval is subject to the clearance of the proposal under relevant local Acts/Rules/Court's Rulings/instructions etc. as applicable.
8. The User Agency shall seek prior permission from the **DFO, Gurdaspur** for carrying out any maintenance operation.

9. The User Agency shall abide by any other condition (s) that may be imposed by this Department in the interest of afforestation and protection of environment.
10. The State Forest Department may revoke/suspend this approval, if any of the above conditions is not satisfactorily fulfilled by the User Agency.
11. An undertaking is signed by the User Agency for abiding by all the aforesaid conditions.
12. If any other NOC is necessary for the work under any Act/Rules/Guidelines etc. from other Departments, the user agency should obtain the same on its own before the commencement of laying of Cable.
13. **DFO, Gurdaspur** shall ensure fulfillment of the above conditions and **CF, Bist Circle, Jalandhar** will supervise it.



 Deputy Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
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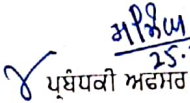
1. Director (ROHQ) GOI, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Paryavaran Bhawan, Jorbagh, New Delhi- 110003.
2. Addl. Director General Forest (C), Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Bays No. 24-25, Sector 31-A, Chandigarh.


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ਨੰ: FCA/1980/301/2019/ 4978-80 ਮਿਤੀ: 26-2-2020

ਇਸ ਪੱਤਰ ਦੀ ਇੱਕ ਨਕਲ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਤੇ ਲੋੜੀਂਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਲਈ ਭੇਜੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ:-

- 1) ਵਣ ਪਾਲ, ਬਿਸਤ ਸਰਕਲ, ਜਲੰਧਰ।
- 2) ਵਣ ਮੰਡਲ ਅਫਸਰ, ਗੁਰਦਾਸਪੁਰ।
- 3) Sh. Yadvinder Singh Bains, Manager, C-135, Industrial Area, Phase 8, Mohali, Pin code 160063.


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