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Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forest
Sabarkantha Forest Division, Himatnagar

No.C/FCA/T-8/27-69/2016-17

Dt:20/07/2017

To,
RailTel Corporation of India Limited,
Shop No.2, 4-D Square Mall,
Opp-IIT Gandhinagar, Visat-Gandhinagar,
Highway Motera, Ahmedabad-380005

Sub - National Optical Fiber Network Project (NOFM) in forest area of Kedbrahma, Poshina & Vijaynagar Talukas in 0.51066 ha.

Ref - 1. Government of Gujarat Forest & Environment Department letter no. FCA/1015/1013/15/SF-83F (1) Dt:04.02.2016

2. Government of Gujarat Forest & Environment Department letter no. FCA/29/A/1062-1135 Dt:10.03.2016

3. અધિક અગ્ર મુખ્ય વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી, જમીન, ગુ.રા, ગાંધીનગરના પત્ર ક્રમાંક: જમન/ ૨૯-એ/બ/૧૬૯૦, તા:૨૦/૦૫/૨૦૧૬

4. RailTel Corporation of India Limited letter Date:26/07/2017

Sir,

I am directed to invite a reference to your letter Dated:26/07/17 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Government under section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 as per following.

Sr. No.	Particular	Forest Sr.No	Length (M)	Width (M)	Area (SQ MTR)	Length in HA
1	NAVAGAM	126	0.8	0.45	360	0.036
2	BALETA	24/1	2.341	0.45	1053.45	0.105345
3	CHOLIYA	59,69	0.85	0.45	382.5	0.03825
4	GOLVADA	122	0.8	0.45	360	0.036
5	UMBARVA	140	0.6	0.45	270	0.027
6	NAVAGAM	126	0.412	0.45	185.4	0.01854
7	ITAVADI	156/1	1.4	0.45	630	0.063
8	AMBAIGADHA	146	1.43	0.45	643.5	0.06435
9	BANDIYA TALAV	177	1.27	0.45	571.5	0.05715
10	MITHIVEDI	52	0.05	0.45	22.5	0.00225
11	MALVAS	84	0.31	0.45	139.5	0.01395
12	DEMTI	194	0.31	0.45	139.5	0.01395
13	GANAVA	335	0.28	0.45	126	0.0126
14	GOLVADA	122	0.495	0.45	222.75	0.022275
	Total		11.348		5106.6	0.51066

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 line, CNG/PNG Pipeline and Petroleum pipeline along the forest area 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, subject to certain conditions.

AND whereas, the user agency while applying and through the documents submitted has confirmed that its FCA proposal falls along the forest area within existing right of way not falling in National Park & Wildlife Sanctuary 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 the hence fulfills all the above specified conditions & eligibility as laid down in circular mentioned as ref (1) and falls under the category of proposal eligible for "General Approval"

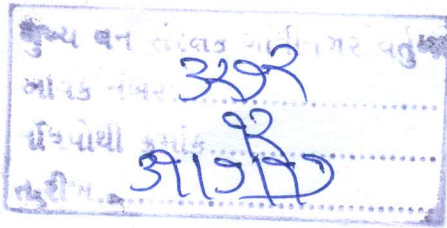
AND whereas having verified on the site that above facts are correct and fulfill the above specific conditions of "General Approval" the following order is issued.

In view of the above the undersigned is pleased to convey its "in principal" approval for Diversion of 0.51066 ha. of Reserved & Unclassed Forest subject to the following conditions:-

1. This permissions 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 agency shall generate challan through OSFMWC portal before making payment for Stage-II clearance process. All the fund shall be deposited through OSFMWC 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 favour of Deputy Conservator of Forest.
5. The Forest land shall not be used for any propose other than that specified in the FCA proposal.
6. The user agency will have to obtain permission from the under signed for carrying out any maintenance works in future.
7. The user agency will have to make good the forest land after use/ maintenance works. no tree shall be cut.
8. The user agency will be liable to make good any loss to forest/environment cause due to use of the said land by user agency.
9. The user agency will seek permission from Forest department/Science and Technology Department, Sachivalay Gandhinagar if required so.

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10. The line will be laid underground in a trench of the depth 2.00 meter & width of 1.00 meter in Forest area.
 11. The user agency shall submit the detail regarding compliance of MoEF's guidelines dated 03.08.2009 & 05.02.2013 with regard to the schedule tribes & other forest dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights Act 2006)
 12. The additional condition under chapter 5 of Forest Conservation Act 1980 shall be applicable to this proposal as the Government of Gujarat resolutions no. FCA-1013/11-10/11/SF-24/F, dated 12.06.2015. The user agency shall comply additional condition as per aforementioned resolutions.
 13. Any other condition with the Nodal Officer (FCA) / the State Government may stipulate from time to time.
 14. **Subject to the conditions**
FRA certificate from collector to be submitted in this office within 30 days.

After receipt of compliance report on the fulfillment of conditions no. (2),(3),(5) (12) & (14) mentioned above, from you, order of formal approval will be issued by this department.



Yours faithfully

(Dr. Abhishek Kumar)
Dy. Conservator of Forests
Sabarkanth Dn Himatnagar.

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Copy Submitted to :

- (1) The Principal Secretary, Forest & Environment Department, Gujarat State Gandhinagar.
 - (2) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Land, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.
 - ✓ (3) Chief Conservator of Forest, Gandhinagar Circle, Gandhinagar.
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