No. 7-5/3-FD/562//6 Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Department of Environment, Forests and Wildlife, Secretariat, Silvassa.

Date: 18, May, 2017

Read :- (i) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 16.10.2000 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.

(ii) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 31.10.2001 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.

(ii) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 23.12.2002 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.

(iv) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.11.2014 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.

- (v) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.09.2015 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.
- (vi) In-principle approval Letter No. 7-5/3-FD/562/52 dated 16.09.2016 issued by the U.T. Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa.

ORDER

In pursuance of the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Environment & Forests, Government of India, referred above, an In-Principle approval was given for laying underground Natural Gas Pipeline in 0.6969 Ha. of Protected forest land in Dadra & Nagar Haveli vide office letter No. (vi) above.

The User Agency has complied the conditions imposed in the In-Principle approval. The condition No. (v) has been complied by effecting the payment of ₹ 13,03,060/- (Rupees: Thirteen Lakhs Three Thousand Sixty only) towards Compensatory Afforestation (It includes cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Fencing and Maintenance for 10 Years). The condition No. (vi) has been complied by effecting the payment of ₹6,54,389/- (Rupees: Six Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Nine only) towards Net Present Value of the land. The Condition No. (vii) has been complied by giving the Undertaking for payment of Additional NPV.

As per the condition No. (xii) the User Agency has deposited the payment of ₹19,57,449/- (Rupees: Nineteen Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Forty Nine only) towards Compensatory Afforestation and Net Present Value of the land by RTGS/NEFT.

Thus, the User Agency made the payment of ₹19,57,449/-(Rupees: Nineteen Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred Forty Nine only)as informed in the In-principle approval.

The User Agency has agreed to comply the other conditions of the In-principle approval.

In view of the fulfilling conditions, Formal Approval is hereby granted to the User Agency - M/s. Gujarat Gas Limited, Gandhinagar, Gujarat to use 0.6969 Ha. of Protected Forest land for laying of underground Natural Gas Pipeline in (Dadra, Silvassa and Athal) in the Union Territory of Dadra & Nagar Haveli as indicated in the application and the map enclosed alongwith application, subject to following conditions.

- i The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged i.e. shall remain Reserve / Protected / Village / other types of forests / forest as the case may be.
- ii No felling of tree shall be involved in the implementation of the proposal.
- iii The maximum size of the trench shall not be more than 2.00 meter depth and 1.00 meter width.
- iv The pipeline shall be along the road within existing right of way not falling in National parks and Wildlife sanctuaries.
- v Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department at the cost of the user agency and the same shall be maintained for 10 Years. Only indigenous forest tree species shall be used for such plantations. Trees, if planted on the diverted area, will not be felled without the permission of the State Forest department.
- vi The User agency shall seek permission from local Forest Department for carrying out any maintenance;
- vii All statutory provisions under various Acts, Rule there under and guidelines applicable to this project shall be strictly adhered to.
- viii The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- ix The User agency shall be responsible for any loss to the flora / fauna in the surroundings and therefore, shall take all possible measures to conserve the same.

CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS /
NODAL OFFICER
DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI
SILVASSA

To,

Shri Vipul Patel Sr. Officer (ROU), Gujarat Gas Limited, 2, Shandi Sadan Society, Near Parimal Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380 006.

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