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दिनांक: 26/06/2025

सेवा में,

प्रधान सचिव/ अपर मुख्य सचिव
पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन विभाग
बिहार सरकार, सिंचाई भवन, सचिवालय
पटना – 800015.

विषय :- 400 के० वी० डबल सर्किट (कवार्ड मूस) लिलो ऑफ़ किशनगंज- दरभंगा 400 के० वी० लाईन ऑफ़ पावर ग्रिड एट सहरसा (New Loop in & Loop Out both) पारेषण लाईन के निर्माण हेतु वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) अधिनियम, 1980 के तहत 2.1904 हे० वन-भूमि अपयोजन प्रस्ताव पर अंतिम (स्टेज-II) स्वीकृति के संबंध में।

महाशय,

I am directed to refer to the State Govt. letter No.Van Bhumi-14/2022-208(E)/Pa.Va.Ja.Pa. dated 16.03.2022, wherein prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for diversion of 2.1904 ha forest land in favour of Powergrid Mithilanchal Transmission Limited for construction of 400 KV D/C Quad Kishanganj-Darbhanga Transmission Line in Saharsa and Supaul districts of Bihar, was sought in accordance with Section-2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. After due consideration of the proposal of the State Government, 'in-principle' approval of the Central Government for diversion of the said forest land was accorded vide this office letter of even number dated 24.03.2022 subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. The State Government has furnished compliance report in respect of the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval and has requested to grant final approval.

In this connection, on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the State Government of Bihar vide their letter No.Van.Bhumi-14/2022-2783(E)/Pa.Va.Ja.Pa. dated 02.06.2025, **approval** of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 2.1904 ha forest land in favour of Powergrid Mithilanchal Transmission Limited for construction of 400 KV D/C Quad Kishanganj-Darbhanga Transmission Line in Saharsa and Supaul districts of Bihar, subject to the following conditions and stipulations:-

1. प्रत्यावर्तित वन भूमि का वैधानिक स्थिति यथावत रहेगा। (Legal status of forest land diverted shall remain unchanged).

2. **Compensatory afforestation:** Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over 4.5 ha. degraded forest land (Site – Garagaro PF, Range – Jamui, Compartment No.837 under Jamui Forest Division) at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local native species shall be planted and monoculture of any species, especially non-native species should be avoided.
3. The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by the way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
4. User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department. Further, in view of the State Government's recommendation, such number of trees whose removal is unavoidable, and whose translocation (species, number and girth to be decided by SFD) is practicable, will be translocated to the extent possible at the cost of user agency.
5. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
6. Width of Right of Way for the Transmission Line shall be limited to 46 m.
7. The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter No.7-25/2012-FC dated 5.5.2014 and 19.11.2014.
8. The plantation of dwarf species over degraded forest land (as per Ministry's guideline No.FC-11/157/2019-FC dated 1.01.2020), as prepared by the State Forest Department shall be implemented from the funds provided by the User Agency.
9. The User Agency shall ensure that the labourers and staff engaged in construction activities do not damage the nearby forest flora and fauna.
10. The User Agency shall provide alternate fuels preferably LPG to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.
11. The layout plan of the proposed diversion of the forest land shall not be changed without the prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.
12. a) The diverted forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
 b) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of the project life/requirement.
 c) The diverted forest land shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department, or person without prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

13. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and National Green Tribunal Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time in force, as applicable to the project.
14. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
15. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forest & wildlife.

As has been mentioned at Para-2 of the Stage-II approval, this approval for diversion of forest land is subject to the fulfillment of stipulated conditions mentioned in this approval letter. Therefore, in the event of non-compliance of any of the conditions laid out in this approval letter, the Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may withdraw the said approval for diversion of the forest land and stop the non-forest activity being carried out in the forest land besides initiating the legal action as per provisions of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980..

आपका विश्वासभाजन,

(शशि शंकर)

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प्रतिलिपि:-

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