GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA FOREST DEPARTMENT

No.F. 6-1251/FC/For-2020/ 3 4 80 7 - 8/3 ORDER

Dated, the, $\frac{3}{1}$ /12/2021

Subject: - Proposal for diversion of 0.99728 ha forest land for construction of 33 KV overhead line from Ambassa to Jawaharnagar under Dhalai District

Whereas, the Addlk General Manager & Nodal Officer, Transmission Circle, Agartala made an application for diversion of forest land measuring 0.99728 ha forest land for construction of 33 KV overhead line from Ambassa to Jawaharnagar of Mouja-Bagmara & Kathalbari under Dhalai District seeking approval of the Central Government under Section 2(ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the purpose of construction of 33 KV overhead line from Ambassa to Jawaharnagar.

And whereas, the said proposal was considered and examined by the Forest Department and the State Govt. issued In-Principle approval under Section 2(ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide order No.F. 6-1251/FC/For-2020/52800-807 dated 02.03.2021 subject to certain conditions.

And whereas, the User Agency has transferred the cost of NPV and Compensatory Afforestation through e-payment system in favour of Compensatory Afforestation Fund(CAF) Tripura. The same was confirmed in the portal.

Now, therefore, the State Government in exercise of the powers delegated by the Central Government under Section 2(ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980-Critical Public & Strategic Defence Infrastructure is hereby conveys "Final Approval" under Section-2(ii) of FCA,1980 for construction of 33 KV overhead line subject to the following conditions:-

- 1. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2. The compensatory afforestation shall be raised and maintained by the Forest Department over double the degraded forest area of 2.00 ha in degraded forest land in Mouja-Sardingkhapara, CS Plot No.34, Kh. No.3/6, Gumati Wildlife Sanctuary, Dhalai District of Tripura as per the fund deposited by the user agency & scheme furnished by the State Govt. as far as possible, mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided. The CA will be maintained for 10 years.
- 3. Boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on the ground at the project cost, as per the direction of the concerned Divisional/District Forest Officer.
- 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.
- 5. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
- 6. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Central Government.
- 7. The complete compliance to the Forest Right Act, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District collector.
- 8. The user agency shall obtain Environment Clearance as per the project provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if required under the said Act.
- 9. The lay out plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
- 10. The forest land shall not expand its occupation or use surrounding forest / forest land in any manner otherwise expressed in this clearance.
- 11. Land so diverted shall revert back to the Forest Department in case it is not needed for the above use after due restoration to its original status (as far as possible and to the satisfaction of State Forest Department).
- 12. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- 13. Sufficient quantity of firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the user agency to the labourers after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
- 14. The user agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.

- 15. The user agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission line through forest areas issued by the Ministry vide letter No.7-25/2012-FC dated 05.05.20214 & 19.11.2014.
- 16. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- 17. Tree felling shall be done only when absolutely unavoidable and such removal, if any, shall be done under the supervision of the Forest Department.
- 18. The proposal will be implemented under the overall supervision of the concerned District Forest Officer.
- 19. The User Agency will have to obtain the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 clearance for stone, river sand, river boulders in forest land, if necessary.
- 20. Violation of any these conditions will amount of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF & CC guideline F.No.11-42/2017-FC dated 29.01.2018.
- 21. All other clearance/ NGOs under different applicable rules / regulations / local laws and under Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 as required vide MoEF & CC, New Delhi guideline No.11-9/1998-FC(Pt) dated 03.08.2009 shall be complied with.
- 22. Any other conditions that the North Eastern Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Shillong may be stipulated from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & Wildlife.
- 23. The KML file of the area to be diverted, the CA area shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal.
- 2. The area of proposed diversion is less than 1.00 ha therefore the State Govt. is empowered to convey the General Approval under Section 2(ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980-Critical/ Strategic Defence Infrastructure.

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Addl. Secretary
to the Government of Tripura

Copy to:-

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Tripura for favour of kind information please.
- 2. The Deputy. Director General of Forests (C), Ministry of Environment & Forests North Eastern Regional Office, Law-U-Sib, Lumbatngen, Near M.T.C. Workshop, Shillong 793021 of kind information please
- 3. The Conservator of Forests (T), FHQ for kind information.
- 4. The District Magistrate & Collector, Dhalai for kind information.
- 5. The District Forest Officer, Dhalai for kind information.
- 6. The Wildlife Warden, Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary for kind information
- 7. The Addl. General Manager, Transmission Circle, TSECL, 79 tilla, Agartala for kind information.

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