## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST DEPARTMENT JANATA BHAWAN, DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6

eCF No.186716/72 Dated Dispur, the December, 2023

- From : Smti. Neera Daulagupu, ACS, Secretary to the Govt. of Assam.
- To : The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & HoFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37.

Sub : Forest Diversion proposal of 0.915 hectare of forest land for Digboi - Duliajan NLD optical Route Project in Upper Dihing Reserved Forest (West Block) under Digboi Division by Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd.

Sir,

This has got reference to the letter no. FG.27/FCA/Proposal/Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd./Digboi Divn dated 30.11.2023 of O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Assam on the subject mentioned above, seeking prior approval of the State Government in accordance with General Approval under section 2(ii) of FCA, 1980 and in terms of the *"Handbook of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the Forest Conservation Rules, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarification), MoEF & CC, GoI, 2019"* mentioned under Chapter-4 (para 4.2, 4.3 and 4.3.1).

After careful consideration and recommendation of the proposal by the PCCF & HoFF, Assam, I am directed to inform that the Government of Assam hereby grants the **"Final Approval"** for diversion of 0.915 hectare of forest land for Digboi-Duliajan NLD optical Route Project in Upper Dihing Reserved Forest (West Block) under Digboi Division by Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd subjected to the following of conditions as laid on this department's *"In Principle approval"* vide letter no FRS.2/2022/57 dated 18.01.2022.

This has the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment and Forest Department Memo eCF No.186716/72-A Copy forwarded to: Dated Dispur, the December, 2023

- 1. Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (FC Act), Assam, O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Assam.
- 2. The Assistant Manager, Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Bijay Crescent Building, Rukminigaon, Guwahati 781022 for information.
- 3. PS to Addl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department, Janata Bhawan, Dispur.

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Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Environment and Forest Department