संघ शासित प्रदेश दादरा एवं नगर हवेली, दमन एवं दीव Administration of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Daman, Diu (U.T.) मुख्य वन संरक्षक का कार्यालय Chief Conservator of Forests दमन /Daman.

F. No. 7-5/3-FD/640/11 Date: OG July, 2025 Read :-Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 16.10.2000 of the Ministry of (i) 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. (iii) Letter No. 11-9/98-FC dated 23.12.2002 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi. Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 19.09.2003 of the Ministry of (iv)Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi. Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 21.11.2005 of the Ministry of (v)Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi. Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 08.04.2009 of the Ministry of (vi)Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi. Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.11.2014 of the Ministry of (vii) Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi. (viii) Letter No. 11-09/98-FC dated 07.09.2015 of the Ministry of Environment & Forests, FC Division, New Delhi.

(ix) In-Principle approval Letter No. 7-5/3-FD/640/112 dated 18.04.2022 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 In-Principle approval was accorded for Diversion of 0.1253 Ha. of Protected Forest Land for laying of 6" Dia. Steel Natural Gas pipeline by Gujarat Gas Limited for M/s. Vedanta Industries Connectivity village in the U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli vide letter mentioned at preamble (ix) above.

The User Agency has complied the conditions imposed in the inprinciple approval. The condition No. (v) has been complied by effecting the payment of ₹ 1,93,608/- (Rupees: <u>One Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Six</u> <u>Hundred Eight only</u>) towards Compensatory Afforestation (it includes cost of Compensatory Afforesation, Fencing and Maintenance for 10 years) and ₹ 1,99,952/- (Rupees: One Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Two only) towards Net Present value of the land and fulfilled Condition No. (vii) has been complied by giving an undertaking for payment of Additional NPV. As per the condition No. (xii) the User Agency has deposited the payment of ₹ 1,93,608/- (Rupees: One Lakh Ninety Three Thousand Six Hundred Eight Only) towards Compensatory Afforestation and ₹ 1,99,952/- (Rupees: One Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Two only) Net Present Value of the land by RTGS / NEFT 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 fulfilling the conditions, Formal Approval is hereby granted to the User Agency – M/s. Gujarat Gas Limited, Gandhinagar, Gujarat to use 0.1253 Ha. of protected forest land for laying of 8" dia. Steel Natural Gas pipeline by Gujarat Gas Limited for M/s Vedanata Industries Connectivity in village Chinchpada in the U.T. of Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Silvassa as indicated in the application and the map enclosed along-with application, subject to the following conditions.

- i The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged i.e. shall remain Reserved / Protected / Village / other types of forests 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, Rules there under and guidelines applicable to this project shall be strictly adhered to.

viiiThe 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.

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× <u>Compliance time frame</u>:

The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the approval order within period of Three (03) years from the date of issue of this order. In case of non-compliance this approval shall be treated as null and void and the forest land shall be deemed not diverted.

(Sanjay S. Waradkar, IFS) Chief Conservator of Forests / Nodal Officer (FC) Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

To,

The Senior Officer (ROU), Gujarat Gas Limited, 301-304, 3rd Floor, IT Tower – 1, Infocity, Gandhinagar – 382 009.

Copy to :-

- 1. The Regional Officer, Regional Office (IRO), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Western Regional Office, Aranya Bhawan, Near CH-3 Circle, Sector – 10A, Gandhinagar, Gujarat for kind information please.
- 2. The Conservator of Forests, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu for information please.
- 3. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Territorial, Dadra & Nagar Haveli for information.
- 4. The Range Forest Officer, Central Range for information and necessary action.