

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT

Rc.No.11194/2016-FCA-1,
Dated: 07-10-2016.

Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Forest Force), Andhra Pradesh,
"Sakuratri Towers, Guntur.

Sri R.G. Kalghatgi, I.F.S.,
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.
(Head of Forest Force)

Sub: - APFD, F (C) Act, 1980 – Diversion of 0.60 Ha forest land for laying of Optical fiber cable along the road within in the existing right of way passing through forest land under Visakhapatnam Division – Proposal In hard copies called for - Reg..

Ref: - 1. Proposal No FP/AP/Others/19819/2016 dt. 10.06.2016.
2. PCCF's Rc.No. 11194/2016/FCA-1 dt 01.07.2016.
3. Reliance JIO infocom Limited, Lr.No. RJIL/OFC/ROW/NLD/AP/VSKP/PCCF/16-17/030 dt. 03.10.2016.

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Adverting to the subject cited it is to inform that the Authorized signatory Reliance JIO infocom Limited vide reference 1st cited has uploaded proposal for Diversion of 0.60 Ha of forest land for laying of Optical fiber cable along the road within in the existing right of way passing through forest land falling in Visakhapatnam Division. After verification of the proposal certain short comings have been noticed and requested the user agency was requested to attend the short comings and submit the proposal vide reference 2nd cited. Accordingly the user agency has attended the short comings and uploaded the proposal through online vide reference 3rd cited. As verified from the proposal the information uploaded by the user agency is found to be correct.

Five (5) sets of the hard copy submitted by the user agency are sent along with this letter to the Divisional Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam for processing the same under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the guidelines issued there under.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam Division is requested to critically examine the requirement of forest land for the above project and satisfy himself that the requirement of land for the project is unavoidable. He is requested to examine the proposal in totality and furnish all the necessary details in the Part-II. He is also requested to carryout site inspection and enclose the field inspection report with photographs of the spots visited and same included in the FIN; take up enumeration of trees to be felled, if any, in the proposed area for diversion and submit Abstract of enumeration, species and girth class wise in the following Proforma:

Sl. No	Local Name of Tree	Botanical name of tree	No. of trees	Girth Class wise number of trees (Cms)				No. of Poles	Timber in Cum	Fuel in Cum	Total Value in Rs	Remarks, if any
				31 to 60	61 to 90	91 to 120	> 120					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

He is requested to specifically mention about the source and / or method for indicating the density of vegetation, vulnerability to soil erosion, the impact of the project on the adjoining flora and fauna and also suggest mitigative measures for the protection of flora and fauna and record specific recommendation or otherwise for the project and submit the same in Eight (7) sets through the Chief Conservator of Forests / Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam within the stipulated time.

The Divisional Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam Division, is further requested to specifically mention if the proposed area is falling in National Park / Wild Life Sanctuary or within the Eco-sensitive zone and also mention the exact distance from the nearest WLS / NP duly enclosing the location map.

He is also requested to examine the proposal in the light of guidelines issued in regarding RoFR Act vide F.No. 11-9/98-FC(PT) dt 05.02.2013 and submit a certificate duly stipulating that the proposal seeking prior approval of Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act -1980 for projects like construction of roads, canals, laying of pipe lines/ Optical fibers and transmission lines etc.. where linear diversion of use of forest land in several villages are involved, unless recognized rights of PTG/PA being affected are exempted from the requirement of obtaining consent of the concerned Grama sabha's as stipulated in Clause (C) read with clause (b),(e) and (f) in second Para of this ministries said letter dt. 03.08.2009

He is requested to submit the proposal in complete shape duly filling information in Part-II and with specific recommendation within the stipulated time through the Chief Conservator of Forests /Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam along with information in check slip, for further consideration of the proposal.

He is specifically directed to upload information pertaining to Part-II of the proposal in the Ministry's website (www.forestclearance.nic.in) and furnish attested copy of the acknowledgment slip with the proposal.

Early and time bound action is requested.

Encl- Proposal (5 sets).

Sd/- P.A.V. Udaya Bhaskar,
for Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

To,

The Divisional Forest Officer , Visakhapatnam Division.

Copy to the Addl. Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests /Conservator of Forests Visakhapatnam with request to furnish his remarks in part-III and submit hard copies and also online at once.

Copy to the Reliance JIO infocom Limited, 6th floor, Vinayanagar Trade centre, VIP road Visakhapatnam- 530003. It is requested to approach the Divisional Forest Officer, Visakhapatnam and furnish the required documents/ information as desired by him so as to enable to process the proposal at earliest

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C. Ramani
Superintendent
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