

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

Ref.no. EFS02-15026/18/2019- Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &
FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-1, Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh,
Dated: **27/10/2020.** 'Aranya Bhavan', K. M. Munshi Road,
Guntur – 522004.

Sri N. Prateep Kumar, I.F.S.,
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &
Head of Forest Force

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Sub APFD – F (C) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 0.26 ha. of forest land in favour of
:- M/s. Jio Digital Fibre Private Ltd., Visakhapatnam for laying underground
optical fibre cable along the road within the existing RoW passing through
forest in Guntur Division for providing Telecommunication services in the
State of A.P – Proposals submitted – RoFR certificate not submitted – Reg.

Ref: CF, Guntur, Rc.no.621/2019/To, Dt. 20.10.2020.

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Adverting to the reference cited, it is informed that, the subject proposal
submitted has been examined and found that the proposal did not contain RoFR
certificate.

Further, the guideline issued by GoI in F.no.11-43/2013-FC, dated
26.02.2029 stating the RoFR certificate is not required for consideration of
proposal for Stage-I approval may not be applicable now as GoI in F.no.5-
2/2017-FC, dated 28.03.2019 in supersession of all the guidelines issued in
the past, have issued a hand book of guidelines for effective and transparent
implementation of the provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 . It is
informed that under Rule 6 (f) of Forest Conservation (Rules) 2003, RoFR
certificate should be submitted to Government while considering the proposal for
in-principle (Stage-I) approval .

Hence, the proposals in (5) sets are returned herewith. The Conservator
of Forests, Guntur is requested to obtain the RoFR certificate from the concerned
and submit the same along with the proposal immediately, for taking further
necessary action in the matter.

Encl:- As above.

N Prateep Kumar
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests &
Head of Forest Force

To
The Conservator of Forests, Guntur.
Copy to the Divisional Forest Officer, Guntur for information.
Copy to the Authorized Signatory, M/s. Jio Digital Fibre Private Ltd.,
Visakhapatnam for information and necessary action.

