

TAMIL NADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
Subrat Mohapatra, IFS.,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
(Head of Forest Force),
Forest Headquarters Building,
Guindy - Velachery Main road,
Near Kannikapuram Checkpost,
Guindy, Chennai - 600 032

To
The Additional Chief Secretary to
Government,
Environment Climate Change and Forests
Department, Secretariat,
Chennai 600 009.

Ref. No. TS4/48485/2020 dated.20.03.2023

Madam,

Sub: Forest – Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – SMTR, Madurai circle –
Theni Forest Division – Proposal for diversion of 0.193 ha of forest land
for laying of underground OFC along Cumbum – Kumuli NH road from
lower camp to Kumuli through Suranganur Reserved Forest – online
proposal submission by the User Agency ie. Jio Digital Fibre private
Ltd., Chennai – Regarding.

Ref: 1. 1.Online application uploaded by the User Agency Jio Digital
Fibre private Ltd., Chennai. (FP/TN/OFC/116522/2020).
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai-15
Ref.No:48485/2020/TS4 dated:23.11.2022.
3. Government letter No.19218/FR-10/2022-1, dt. 30.12.21022.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai ref. No.
TS4/48485/2020, dt. 06.01.2023.
5. District Forest Officer, Theni letter No. D/7782/2018, dt.
10.03.2023.
6. 6. Conservator of Forests & Field Director, SMTR, Madurai C.
No. 10490/2021/D1, dt. 13.03.2023.

I wish to state that for the query raised by the Government in letter 3rd cited,
the User Agency, Jio Digital Fibre private Ltd., Chennai has uploaded the District
Collector certificates without the name of the District Collector and the same was
forwarded by the District Forest Officer, Theni and Conservator of Forests & Field
Director, SMTR, Madurai vide reference 5th & 6th cited and the copies of the references
are enclosed.

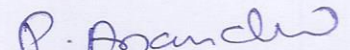
Since these certificates are not mandatory for Stage I approval I request that
the concurrence of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate
Change, Integrated Regional Office, Nungambakkam, Chennai may kindly be obtained
under Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 0.193 ha of forest land for
laying of underground OFC along Cumbnum – Kumuli NH road from lower camp to
Kumuli through Suranganur RF in Theni division, Theni district for 20 years subject to
obtaining concurrence of NBWL by the User Agency.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- V. Karunapriya
for Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

To
M/s.Jio Digital Fibre Ltd.,89, Radhakrishnan Salai, Mylapore, Chennai .
Copy to

1. The Conservator of Forests & Field Director, SMTR, Madurai
2. The District Forest Officer, Theni

/True copy/By order/


Senior Draughting Officer



TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT
THENI FOREST DIVISION

From
Thiru. J.R.Samartha, IFS.,
District Forest Officer,
Theni Forest Division,
Theni.

To
The Conservator of Forests and Field
Director,
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger
Reserve,
Madurai.

C.No.7782/2018/D, Dated:10.03.2023

Sir/Madam,

Sub: Forests - Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Madurai Circle / Theni Forest Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.193 Ha. of forest land for laying of underground OFC along Cumbum-Kumuli NH Road from Lower Camp to Kumuli through Suranganar RF by M/s.Jio Digital fibre ltd, Mylapore, Chennai - Additional details submission - Reg.

- Ref:
1. Online application submitted by M/s.Jio Digital fibre ltd, Mylapore, Chennai. (Proposal No: FP/TN/OFC/116522/2020.)
 2. District Forest Officer, Theni. C.No:7782/2018/D, Dated:07.03.2022.
 3. The Conservator of Forests and Field Director, SMTR, Madurai C.No:10490/2021/D1, Dated:29.03.2022.
 4. District Forest Officer, Theni. C.No:7782/2018/D, Dated:20.08.2022 and 02.09.2022.
 5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Chennai. C.No:TS4/48485/2020, Dated:06.01.2023.
 6. District Collector, Theni. RoC.No:3794/2021/G7, Dated:27.08.2021.

With respect to the reference 5th cited, I submit that the user agency has upload a copy of the District Collector's certificate in respect of Forest Rights Act, 2006 and hard copy of the same has been received from the District Collector, Theni vide reference 6th cited. This proposal is submitted alongwith a original hard copy of the District Collector's certificate.

This is for favour of kind information.

Encl: As stated above

Yours Sincerely,
Sd/-J.R. Samartha,
District Forest Officer,
Theni Forest Division,
Theni.

Copy to
M/s.Jio Digital fibre ltd,
#88, Radhakrishnan Salai,
Mylapore,
Chennai.

//True Copy - By Order//

[Signature]
Drafting Officer. 10/3/2023

By (E.Mail / Courier)

TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT

From
Tmt.R.Padmawathe., I.F.S.,
Conservator of Forests &
Field Director,
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve,
Madurai-625 002.

To
Principal Chief Conservator of
Forests,(Head of Forest Force),
Panagal Building,
Chennai-32.

Ref.No.10490/2021/D1 Dated: 13.03.2023

Sir,

Sub: Forest - Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 - Madurai Circle, Theni Forest Division - Proposal for diversion of 0.193 Ha of forest land for laying of underground OFC along Cumbum - Kumuli NH road from lower camp to Kumuli through Suranganar RF- online proposal submission by the User Agency ie. Jio Digital Fibre private Ltd Chennai- Additional details called for report submission of - Regarding

- Ref: 1. User Agency (JIO Digital Fibre private Ltd Chennai) Online Proposal Ref: FP/TN/OFC/116522/2020
2. Conservator of Forest and Field Director Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve, Madurai C.No :10490/2021/D1,Dated:-22.09.2022.
3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai, Ref.No.TS4/48485/2020, Dated.06.01.2023
4. District Forest Officer, Theni. Ref.No. D/7782/2018, Dt.10.03.2023.

I submit that, in the reference 4th cited, the District Forest Officer, Theni has submitted the Original certificate of the District Collector Theni in respect of Forest Rights Act 2006 and hard copy of the same has been received and the same is enclosed herewith for kind perusal.

This is for kind information.

Encl: As stated above

Yours Sincerely,

sd/K.Padmawathe,
Conservator of Forests and Field Director,
Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve,
Madurai.

/T.C.B.O/

B. Suman
Senior Draughting Officer

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Roc. No. 3794/ 2021 /G7.

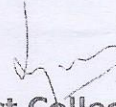
Office of the District Collectorate,
Theni District.

Dated : 27.08.2021.



CERTIFICATE.

This is to certify that no alternative land other than forest land is suitable / available for the purpose of laying Optical Fibre Cable for an area of 0.193 Hectares from Lower Camp to Kumuli NH Road section through Suranganar R.F. in Theni District.


District Collector
Theni
District Collector
Theni

(CWP)
27/08/2021

To:

M/s. Reliance Digital Fibre Private Limited,
No. 89. Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai,
Mylapore,
Chennai-600 004.

FORM - I

(for Linear Projects)

Government of Tamil Nadu

Office of the District Collector , Theni

Ref No. 3794/2021/G7.


Dated: 27.08.2021.

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In Compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India's Letter No. 11-9/98-FC (pt.) dated 03.08.2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 (FRA for short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non - forest purposes read with MoEF'S letter dated 05.02.2013, wherein MoEF issued certain relaxation in respect of linear projects, it is certified that 0.193 hectares of Forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of Reliance Jio Digital Fibre Private Ltd for erection of Optical Fibre Cable in the existing Lower Camp to Kumuli NH Road Section through Suranganar R.F which falls within jurisdiction of Theni District.

It is further certified that :

- (a) The Complete process for identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 0.193 hectares of forest area proposed for diversion.
- (b) Certified that there are no Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers in Suranganar R.F. of Uthamaplayam Taluk, Theni District and consequently no claims have been received under this Act with respect to the area proposed for erection of OFC in the existing road section.
- (c) Certified that there are no Primitive Tribal Groups (PTG) and Pre-Agricultural Communities (PAC) in the Suranganar R.F. of Theni District. So, the recognized rights of PTG and PAC are not affected.


District Collector,
Theni.
District Collector
Theni

WSP
27/08/2021