



Government of Gujarat
Forest & Environment Department

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No. FCA-1020/7-22/20/SF-199/F

Date: 21 JUN 2021

To,
The Assistant Inspector General of Forests
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,
Indira Paryavaran Bhavan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj
New Delhi -110003.

Subject: Re-Diversion of **9.90 ha.** Protected/Reserve Forest land for construction of Ambaji bypass (Km.2/950 to Km.5/150) on Himmatnagar-Kheroj-Ambaji-Aburaod SH-9 in Banaskantha District in favour of Executive Engineer, R&B Division(State), Palanpur.

Sir,

Please refer to the proposal submitted by Executive Engineer, R&B Division(State), Palanpur. The proposed area is part of 171.43 ha of mining proposal and that proposal was approved by your office vide letter No.8-108/1993-FC, dated 24/02/2009. In the 41th meeting of REC,Bhopal dated 24/12/2019 decided that the 171.43 ha. of GMDC project was approved by your office, thus the above 9.90 ha. re-diversion proposal is submitted to your office for approval. The details of the proposal are as under.

Sr. No.	Description	Length X Width (Mt.)		Total Area (in Ha.)
1	S.No.2 PT., Ambaji	1680.00	45.00	9.90
2	S.No.57 PT., Zariwav	520.00	45.00	
	Total			9.90

- The area involved has been declared as a Section-4 & Reserved Forest land vide Government of Gujarat Notification No.AKH-268-GFS-2060/49879-32680-P date 15.11.1972 (2) AKH-210-76/FLD-1674/66530-P, date 12.10.1976
- This project will ease transportation, will improve productivity and efficiency.
- 410 trees are required to be cut in the demanded area. Girth and Species wise list of trees in enclosed.
- There is no violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as Certified by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest.

6. The Project area is not a part of Protected area/Sanctuary/National Park and the project area 1.10 Km. is away from the Balaram-Amabaji Wildlife Sanctuary. User agency has to require NOC from Chief Wildlife Warden, Gujarat State.
7. Project authority has submitted undertakings to defray the Cost of Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value and any increase thereof.
8. The proposal is for Re-Diversion so no CA land is required.
9. Site inspection report of the Project area is provided by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest.
10. Project Authority has fulfilled the compliance under Forest Right Act, 2006. Certificates of Collector, Banaskantha-Palanpur is enclosed herewith.
11. Addl. Principle Chief Conservator of Forest (Land) and Nodal Officer(FCA), Gujarat State, Gandhinagar has recommended the proposal.
12. Additional conditions under chapter-5 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 shall be applicable to this proposal as the Government of Gujarat's Resolution No.FCA-1013/11-10/11/SF-24/F, Dated 12.06.2015. The user agency shall be bound to comply additional condition as per the aforementioned resolution. The project authority has submitted undertakings for the same.

In the circumstances explained in the above paragraphs and enclosures, the Government recommends that the said forest land may be allowed to be diverted for the non-forestry use under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours Faithfully,



(S. J. Pandit)

Additional Secretary

Forest & Environment Department

Encl. As above.

copy to:-

1. Nodal officer (FCA), Pr. Chief Conservator of Forest's Office, Gujarat State, 'Aranya Bhavan' Sector-10/A, Gandhinagar
2. Deputy Conservator of Forest, Banaskantha Forest Division, Banaskantha, Palanpur, Gujarat.
- ✓ 3. Executive Engineer, R&B Division(State), Joravar Palace, Palanpur, Banaskantha, Gujarat.
4. Select File.