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Date: 21/06/2021

To,
Dy.General Manager,
Gujarat Fiber Grid Network Ltd.
Block-01, 8th Floor, Udhog Bhavan,
Sector-11, Gandhinagar.

Sub: Permission for OFC laying **6.3 Ha.** Protected Forest land Diversion for forest purpose for laying Fiber Cable Bharat Net Phase-II project at Gandhinagar District.

Ref: (1) Government of Gujarat, Forest & Environment
Department Letter No:
FCA/1015/1013/15/SF-83F (1), Dt.04/02/2016.
(2) User Agency Latter No. Application on: Dt.: 17/05/2019
(3) This office letter No:
C/P-A/FCA/12/2019-20/4092-98/Dt.26-07-2019

Memorandum:-

This office has given an "In Principle" approval for diversion of **6.3 ha.** Protected Forest land Diversion for forest purpose for laying Fiber Cable Bharat Net Phase-II project under Forest this office letter no. C/P-A/FCA/12/2019-20/4092-98/Dt.26-07-2019 referred above at (3) and With the referred above at (4) No NPV and CA is Not Applicable in this Proposal.

The undersigned is pleased to convey the formal approval of the Government under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The permission is granted only for use of the forest land for the purpose specified in the proposal. The legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the FCA proposal.
3. The User Agency will have to obtain permission from this office for carrying out any maintenance works in future.

4. The User Agency will have to make good the forest land after use/maintenance work. No tree shall be cut.
5. The User Agency will be liable to make good any loss to Forests/Environment caused to the the use of the said land by the user agency.
6. The User Agency will seek permission from the Roads & Buildings Department /Science and Technology Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
7. The Optical Fiber Cable will be laid underground in a trench of depth of 1.6 mtr and width of 0.45 mtr in between rows of road side plantation.
8. Any other condition, which the Nodal Officer (FCA) may stipulate from time to time.


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Copy Submitted to:

1. Principle Secretary, F&E, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar.
2. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Land, Gandhinagar, Gujarat State for favour of information.
3. Chief Conservator of Forests, Gandhinagar Forest Circle, Gandhinagar.

PART-II

(To be enclosed by Deputy Conservator of Forestry)

7.	Location of the project/scheme	A proposal has been received by this office from Gujarat Fiber Grid Network Ltd. Gandhinagar, Permission for OFC laying 6.3 Ha. Protected Forest land Diversion for forest purpose for laying Fiber Cable Bharat Net Phase-II project at Gandhinagar District.
(i)	State/Union Territory	Gujarat
(ii)	District	Gandhinagar
(iii)	Division	Forest Division Gandhinagar
(iv)	Area of Forest land proposed for division (in ha)	6.3 ha
(v)	Legal Status of forest	Protected Forest
(vi)	Density of Vegetation	80% of Eco Class 4
(vii)	Species-wise (scientific names) and dia meter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed at FRL.FRL meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed)	No tree should be cut in demand area.
(viii)	Brief note on valuably of the forest area to erosion	It is a flat area. There will be no erosion to forest area .
(ix)	Approximately distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest	This area is in Adjoining to roadside Forest (Protected Forest).
(x)	Whether forms part of state park, wild life sanctuary-biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor etc.(if so the details of the area and comments of the chief wildlife warden to be annexed)	No Applicable
(xi)	Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/defense establishment or other important monuments is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required	No
8.	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col.2 of part-1 is for the project. If no recommended area item wise with details of alternative examined	Yes Enclosed.
9.	Whether any works in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If yes, details of the same including period of works done, action taken on hearing officials, whether work in violation is still in progress.	NO Violation
10.	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme	Not Applicable
(i)	Details of non-forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, sizes of each patch	NO
(ii)	Map showing non-forest/degrades forest area identified for compensatory structure etc. afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries	Annexure-2
(iii)	Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including	Not Applicable

	species to be planted implementing agency, time schedule, cost	
(iv)	Total Financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme	Not Applicable
(v)	Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view (to be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest)	No
11.	Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col.7 (xi, xii) 8 and 9 above	Enclosed (Site Inspection Report is attached herewith Annexure-17)
12.	Division/District profile:	
(i)	Geographical area of the district	2163.48 Ha
(ii)	Forest area of the district Gandhinagar	112.94 Ha
(iii)	Total forest area diverted since 1980 on with of cases 122 Dt.01.03.2021	192.8916 sq.km
(iv)	Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on Dt.01.03.2021	355.3 Ha
(a)	Forest land including penal compensatory afforestation	1.93 Ha
(b)	Non-Forest land	53.0245 Ha
(v)	Progress of compensatory afforestation as on Dt.01.03.2021 on 122 cases	281.7284 Ha
(a)	Forest Land	228.7039 Ha
(b)	Non- Forest land	53.0245 Ha
13.	Specific recommendation of the DCF for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with	Recommendation for diversion of 6.3 Ha.

PLACE:- GANDHINAGAR
DATE:- 05/08/2019


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