

**Karnataka Forest Department**

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Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forests

Bagalkote Division, Bagalkote

Date: 12-05-2023

To,

The Chief Conservator Of Forests  
Belgavi Division, Belgavi.

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 18.458 ha. Of forest land in Sy.No.6,7,8,205,210 & 219 of Kallahalli, Sy.No. 152 of Siddapur, Sy.No. 13 of Ramateertha and Sy.No. 9,25,36 & 42 of Jamkhandi village, Jamkhandi taluk, Bagalkot District for construction of new 110 KV D/C line in the existing 110 KV Mahalingapur to Jamkhandi S/C line corridor for distance of 23.897 km in favour Executive Engineer (Elec trical), Major Works Division, Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL), Bagalkot. (Proposal No. FP/KA/TRANS/16981/2015.)

Ref: 1) Your Office Letter No: A7/LND/FCP/TL/BGK/CR-14/14-15/22-23/2239 Date: 08-03-2023.

2) This Office Letter No: B2/GFL/MLP/18.458/s.no-111/2013-14/2712 Date 16-03-2023

3) Executive Engineer (Ele), Major Works Division, KPTCL, Bagalkote Letter No: 614/ಬಾಕೋ/ಕಾನಿಇಂ(ವಿ)/ಬೃಕಾವಿ/ಸಕಾನಿಇಂ(ಕ)/22-23/26-29 Date: 03-04-2023.

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With respect to the above subject and references,

herewith attached the report in English version submitted by the User Agency regarding construction of 110 KV transmission line from Mahalingapura 220 KV station to Jamkhandi 110 KV substation in 1987 without taking prior approval under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for your kind perusal.

The report is self explanatory Considering the events and situations that let to construction of the transmission line in 1987, the explanation submitted by the User Agency may kindly be accepted and recommended for acceptance.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

Deputy Conservator of Forest  
Bagalkote Division, Bagalkote.

✓ Copy to Submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA) Bengaluru for kind information.

Copy to the Executive Engineer (Ele), Major Works Division, KPTCL, Bagalkote for information.

  
Deputy Conservator of Forest  
Bagalkote Division, Bagalkote.



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To,

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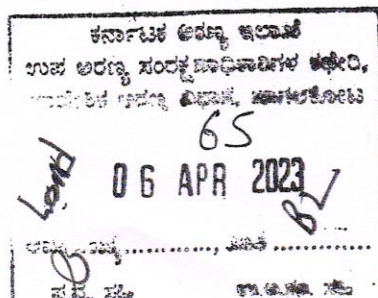
## Re-Submission of information in English - Regarding.

- Ref :**
1. The Managing Director, Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited, Kaveri Bhavan, Bengaluru letter No.: KPTCL/MD/SPS/2022-23/148 Dated: 29/09/2022.
  2. This office letter No.: 604/BGK/EEE/MWD/AEE(O)/22-23/5318-5321 Dated: 14/02/2022.
  3. The Deputy Conservator of Forest, Bagalkot Division, Bagalkot letter No.: B2/GFL/MLP/18.458/111/2013-14/2712 Dated: 16/03/2023.

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With reference to the subject forest proposal and letters under reference, it is to bring to your notice that Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) is a Government Undertaking Company which is engaged in Construction of Sub-Stations and Transmission Lines in Karnataka State and ensures that quality and reliable power supply is provided to all the consumers in Karnataka State.

Power supply to Jamakhandi urban area, Banahatti urban area, Madarkandi, Kallahalli, Hipparagi, Kulahalli, Siddapura, Kumbarahalli, Sanala, Alaguru, Kunchanur, Jakanur, Hunnur, Kadapatti, Navalagi, Jagadala, Bandigani, Yellatti, Asangi, Bisuguppa, Banahatti Keeri and surrounding area in Jamakhandi Taluk Bagalkote District was fed from single circuit 110KV Transmission line from Mahalingapur to Jamkhandi which was commissioned in the year 1987.





At present the load in the area is increasing day by day, hence to meet the increasing load demand conversion of this single circuit transmission line to double circuit transmission line was proposed and awarded during Feb-2017. Now, except in Forest area i.e., 8.392 Kms out of 23.897Kms, all other works are completed.

This Transmission line was constructed from existing 220KV Mahalingapur Receiving Station to 110KV Sub-station Jamkhandi during the year 1987. KPTCL officials have constructed transmission line for a distance of 8.932 Kms unknowingly in the forest land as there was no demarcation of forest boundary.

During 2015 when KPTCL proposed to convert the said transmission line from single circuit to double circuit it is found that forest approval was not obtained during construction of transmission line in the year 1987. Hence, proposal is submitted to forest department for obtaining approval.

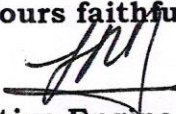
At present forest officials are requesting KPTCL to furnish the name and action taken details on the officers who have constructed the transmission line in the forest area. But the transmission line was constructed unknowingly in the forest area in good faith for providing power to the consumers of Banahatti and Jamkhandi area. The violation of Forest Conservation Act was not intentional, hence no action was taken on officers who were involved in construction activities.

During 1987, there was only one Major Works Division namely Belagavi Division which was operating all the works in Bagalkote, Belagavi and Vijayapura districts. During the year 2000 due to more works in Bagalkote district additional Major Works Division has been formed and officers also shifted from old buildings to new buildings on many occasions, due to which certain records also misplaced and which are presently not available.

Under the circumstances explained above it is clear that subject Transmission line was constructed unknowingly in the Forest land as there was no demarcation of Forest boundary and the subject sub station and transmission line was constructed in the interest of public service as explained above. However, KPTCL is ready to pay panel charges to Forest Department as per norms.

Hence, it is requested to issue Stage-I approval for the subject work without insisting on the action taken details on KPTCL officers.

**Yours faithfully**

  
**Executive Engineer (Ele),**  
**Major Works Division, KPTCL,**  
**Bagalkote.**

03/04/23