

ક્રમાંક: એફસીએ/૨૯-સી/અ/૧૩૮૫ /૨૦૨૪-૨૫

અગ્ર મુખ્ય વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી ની કચેરી,
ગુજરાત રાજ્ય, અરણ્ય ભવન બ્લોક નં. એ-૩
ચ-૩ સર્કલ સેન્ટ ઝેવિયર્સ સ્કુલ સામે,
સેક્ટર ૧૦, ગાંધીનગર, તા.૨૦ /૦૨/૨૦૨૫


પ્રતિ,
અગ્ર સચિવશ્રી,
વન અને પર્યાવરણ વિભાગ,
સચિવાલય, ગાંધીનગર.

વિષય: Diversion of 2.52 ha Reserved/Sanctuary forest for the Ghodavadi settlement
Village 24 hours 3-ph JGY power supply (Ghodavadi Settlement)
Ta.Girgadhada Dist. Gir-Somnath.
(Parivesh 1.0 No. FP/GJ/VELEC/134760/2021)

સંદર્ભ : ભારત સરકારશ્રીના પત્ર ક્રમાંક : FC-6/GJB-57/2022-GNR, તા.૦૧/૦૭/૨૦૨૪

સાદર ઉપરોક્ત વિષય અન્વયે જણાવવાનું કે, MoEF&CC ભારત સરકારના સંદર્ભપત્રથી માંગેલ પૂર્તતાઓ નીચે મુજબ છે.

- (૧) સદરહું ઘોડાવડી સેટલમેન્ટ ગામમાં ૨૪ કલાક વિજ પુરવઠો પુરો પાડવા માટે ઘોડાવડી સેટલમેન્ટ ગામના અભયારણ્ય અને અનામત વન વિસ્તારમાંથી ૧૧ કે.વી. લાઈન પસાર કરવા માટે નાયબ ઈજનેરશ્રી, ગીર-ગઢડા પેટા કચેરીના પત્ર ક્રમાંક : GIRAHDA/TECH/RE/1022, તા.૨૫/૦૪/૨૦૨૨ માં દર્શાવ્યા મુજબ સર્વે કરેલ છે. સર્વે સિવાય બીજો કોઈ વિકલ્પ ૧૧ કે.વી. લાઈન પસાર કરવા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ ના હોય દરખાસ્તમાં દર્શાવ્યા પ્રમાણે જે ૧૧ કે.વી. લાઈન ઊભી કરવી પડે તેમ હોઈ અન્ય કોઈ રૂઠ ઉપલબ્ધ નથી.
- (૨) નેશનલ બોર્ડ ફોર વાઈલ્ડ લાઈફની દરખાસ્ત અંગે ચીફ વાઈલ્ડ લાઈફ ઓફિસરશ્રી, ગુજરાત રાજ્ય, ગાંધીનગરની કચેરી દ્વારા સદરહું દરખાસ્ત ૧૪ મી સ્ટેટ બોર્ડ ફોર વાઈલ્ડ લાઈફની મીટીંગમાં સમાવેશ કરવામાં આવેલ છે.
- (૩) સદરહું દરખાસ્તમાં દર્શાવ્યા મુજબ ૧૧ કે.વી. લાઈન એચ.ટી. કેબલ (ઇન્સુલેટેડ કેબલ) નાખીને ઊભી કરવામાં આવશે.


(ડૉ. જયપાલ સિંહ)

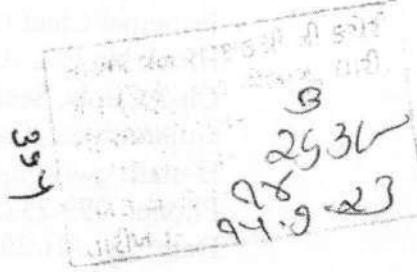
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નાયબ વન સરક્ષક
ગીર (પૂર્વ) વન વિભાગ,
ધારી



વિષય:- proposal for diversion of reserved /sanctury forest land for project ghodavadi settelment village 24 hour 3-ph jgy power supply ta-gir gadhada,dist-gir somnath in gujrat state

સંદર્ભ :- (૧)ક્રમાંક બ /જમન/ટે.૧૪/૬૩૩૮-૪૦/૨૦૨૨-૨૩/તા ૨૦.૦૯.૨૦૨૨

(૨)ગવરમેન્ટ ઓફ ઇંડિયા,મીનીસ્ટ્રી ઓફ એન્વાયર્મેન્ટ ફોરેસ્ટ એન્ડ ક્લાઈમેટ ચેન્જ ગાંધીનગરના પત્ર ક્રમાંક-FC-6/GJB-57/2022-GNR DT-17.06.2022

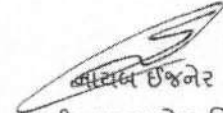
ઉપરોક્ત વિષયના અનુસંધાને જણાવવાનું કે ઉપરોક્ત સંદર્ભ પત્ર (૧) માં જણાવ્યા મુજબ સંદર્ભ(૨) માં માંગેલ પૂર્તતા કરવા માટેની વિગતો નીચે મુજબ છે

મુદ્દા નં.(૧) :- ઘોડાવડી સેટલમેન્ટ ગામમાં ૨૪ કલાક વીજપુરવઠો પુરો પાડવા માટે ઘોડાવડી સેટલમેન્ટ ગામના અભયારણ્ય અને અનામત વન વિસ્તારમાંથી ૧૧ કેવી વીજ લાઈન પસાર કરવા માટે અત્રે ની કચેરીના સંદર્ભપત્ર GIRGADHDA/TECH/RE/1022/25.04.2022 માં દર્શાવ્યા મુજબનું સર્વે કરેલ છે. જે સર્વે સિવાય બીજો કોઈ વિકલ્પ ૧૧ કેવી લાઈન નાખવા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ ના હોય પ્રપોજલમાં દર્શાવ્યા પ્રમાણે જ ૧૧ કેવી લાઈન ઉભી કરવી પડે તેમ હોય જે આપ સાહેબ શ્રી ની જાણ સારું.

મુદ્દા નં-(૩) :- પ્રપોજલ માં દર્શાવ્યા મુજબ ૧૧ કેવી લાઈન એચ.ટી.કેબલ (ઇન્સુલેટેડ કેબલ) નાખીને ઉભી કરવામાં આવશે. જે બાબત આપની જાણ સારું તથા આગળની કાર્યવાહી અર્થે સાદર રવાના

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ગીર ગઢડા પેરા વિભાગ
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સદર નકલ રવાના

(૧)કાર્યપાલક ઇજનેર (વિભાગીય કચેરી),ઉના



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To,
All the Members,
(As per list attached)
State Board for Wildlife,
Gujarat State.

Sub: Minutes of 14th Meeting of State Board for Wildlife.

Sir,

The 14th meeting of the State Board for Wildlife was held on 20-11-2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chief Minister, and Chairman of the Board.

A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is enclosed herewith for your perusal
please.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. Saxena)

Chief Wildlife Warden, Gujarat &
Member Secretary,
State Board for Wildlife
Gujarat State, Gandhinagar

Copy submitted to The Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister and
Chairman, State Board for Wildlife for information.

Copy submitted to The Personal Secretary to the Hon'ble Minister, Tribal Development, Tourism and Forest and Vice Chairman of the State Board for Wildlife for information.

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Forest & Tribal Development, Gujarat State, Gandhinagar
for information.

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The Chief Secretary, Gujarat State, Sachivalaya,
Gandhinagar for information.

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The Additional Chief Secretary, Forest and Environment
Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar for information.

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Minutes of the 14th meeting of State Board for Wildlife - Gujarat State held on 20-11-2018

The 14th meeting of State Board for Wildlife (SBWL) Gujarat State was held on 20-11-2018 at 11:15 hrs at CM House, Gandhinagar under the Chairmanship of Shri Vijaybhai Rupani, Hon'ble Chief Minister and Chairperson of the State Board for Wildlife. The list of participants is enclosed as Annexure I.

At the outset, the Additional Chief Secretary, Forest and Environment Department accorded welcome to Hon'ble Chief Minister and other dignitaries.

With the permission of the Chair, Member Secretary introduced the Agenda of the meeting. A brief presentation covering Agenda items was made before the SBWL.

Details of discussion on each Agenda and decisions / resolution of the Board is given as under.

Agenda - 1: Confirmation of minutes of 13th meeting of SBWL held on 16-10-2017

Member Secretary informed the Board that minutes of 13th meeting of SBWL was held on 16.10.2017. Minutes of the said meeting, duly approved by Chairman were circulated to the members and invitees vide letter No WLP/28/A/1713 dated 24.10.2017. No comments have been received. He requested the Board to confirm the minutes.

The Board confirmed the minutes of the 13th meeting.

Agenda - 2: Action Taken Report (ATR) on decisions taken in 13th meeting of SBWL.

Member Secretary informed the Board that 18 proposals recommended in the 13th Meeting of SBWL, were submitted to Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) for consideration and necessary clearance under Section 29 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

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Out of total 18 proposals, submitted to Standing Committee of NBWL for recommendation / consideration and necessary clearance, 17 proposals have been cleared by Standing Committee of NBWL. CWLW, Gujarat State has already granted permission in all these cases. Single case left, pertains to conversion of Forest Settlement Village into revenue village. The case is under consideration by Standing Committee of NBWL and will be taken up shortly.

Board took note of the progress and expressed satisfaction.

Agenda - 2.2:

Member Secretary informed the Board that proposal for use of 0.81 ha land in Marine Sanctuary near Pindhara and Virampur villages for expansion of Jetty and allied facilities for Cargo handling by Bombay Minerals Ltd was placed before SBWL for consideration in 12th meeting of the board, held on 25-04-17.

Dr. H. S. Singh, Member, SBWL had brought to notice that the proposed activity may pose threat to Marine biodiversity, particularly Dolphin and Dugong. Chairman had directed to re-examine the proposal in light of submission by Dr. H. S. Singh. It was decided to form a three member Committee under the chairmanship of CWLW, with Dr. H. S. Singh and Director, GEER Foundation as members, who were to study all aspects involved in the matter and submit report for consideration of the Board.

The Committee visited the site on 13-07-2017 and submitted their Report on 08-09-2017 to PCCF Wildlife. The Committee has recommended not to consider the proposal for expansion of Jetty and allied activities taking into consideration the importance of the proposed area from the viewpoint of Dolphin and Dugong habitat, as well as presence of Seagrass and Coral reef in the area.

A copy of the Report was sent to the User Agency for their comments. The User Agency had brought out certain points for consideration of the Board. The User Agency has claimed that the proposed area / location of the anchorage of the proposed Jetty in the map submitted by the Committee is not a true representation of the area of anchorage of ships in the proposed site. Moreover, the User Agency had relied on a Report prepared by NIO in this regard and had also confirmed to comply with all mitigation measures suggested by State Government.

Board, in its, 13th meeting, held on 16-10-2017, discussed the issue, in the light of the facts provided. Reasons and rational submitted by committee and by the

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agency, were placed before the Board. During discussion on the matter, it was submitted by member that though the points raised by both the sides have been placed before the Board, however in absence of analysis of the points raised by the parties it would not be possible for the Board to arrive at proper decision.

Therefore, Chairman of the meeting directed CWLW to study the pros and cons involved in the matter and furnish detailed analysis of points raised in the Report of the Committee as well as submission by the User Agency and place before SBWL in its next meeting for consideration of the Board.

Member Secretary, placed the facts, before the Board and further submitted that since CWLW, Gujarat, was the Chairman of the said committee, his technical opinion and comments, are included in the committees, observation.

One member pointed out that since committee, appointed by Board, has already submitted its report, Board must decided on its finding. He further said that the then CWLW, was chairman of the committee, hence there is no need to seek his opinion again. Members also felt that the project can use the services of other available jetties or other options.

In light of the facts and information made available, the Board felt that proposal in its present form cannot be recommended. However, agency may apply afresh by exhausting other options and ensuring that perceived adverse effect on marine bio-diversity is preempted.

Agenda – 3: Important recent events related to Wildlife Management in the State.

Member Secretary informed the Board that many important, activities, program and Events pertaining to wildlife management have taken place since last meeting of SBWL. These included inauguration of Ambardi Safari Park, Karuna Abhiyan –state wide Bird life saving campaign during Kite flying festival 2018, celebration of World Wildlife Day at Sasan, World Lion Day, progress on various actions taken for containing illegal lion show, progress made in declaring new Eco-Sensitive Zones, measures taken in view of recent lion deaths in Dhari, 231.00 crores package declared by Hon. Chief Minister for long term lion conservation and the international summit of convention of Parties –COP-2020, to be held first time in Indian, with Gujarat as venue. He provided brief details of each.

Ambardi Safari Park:

Board members were informed that consequent to first approval accorded in 2008, followed by subsequent compliances and processes and receipt of final approval on 17-10-2017, Ambardi Safari Park was inaugurated. Initially permission was given for keeping 3 Lion but through facilitation and persuasion by by Hon. Chief Minister, permission for 5 more lions have been given by Central Zoo Authority (CZA) and presently there 8 Lions. The safari park, is gaining popularity. Since its opening, around 70,000 tourist have visited the park, with monthly average of 3000 tourists and Rs.1.22 crores as income from fees.

Karuna Abhiyan-2018:

Member Secretary stated that Karuna Abhiyan –state wide Bird life saving campaign during Kite flying festival 2018, was conducted with high level of inter departmental coordination and participation of various stakeholders. He informed that Karuna Abhiyan -2018, involved 781 hospitals, 469 veterinary doctors, 270 NGOs, 7000 volunteers and 6300 forest staff, mobile ambulances, 7 helpline. During this, 10571 birds were treated and 9752 were released, with 92.25% of success. He informed that this program is being viewed as exemplary success story and other states, like Uttar Pradesh, are also trying to adopt it.

World Wildlife Day-2018:

Member Secretary stated that World Wildlife Day, was celebrated on 3rd March, 2018, in presence of Shri Vijaybhai Rupani, Hon'ble Chief Minister and Dr. Harshvardhan, Hon'ble Minister of Forest & Environment & Climate Change, Government of India. The theme was "Big Cat: Predator under Threat and technical seminar was conducted with topics focusing on role of local people, Status of Tiger, challenges of conservation of Big Cats. Around 300 participants, representing field officers, local people, members of Local Advisory Committee of Gir Protected area, members of SBWL, NGOs, Eco-Clubs, Zoo officers, participated. The program also saw essay and drawing competition in schools colleges of 5 districts covering around 4.5 lac of students.

World Lion Day

Member Secretary stated that World Lion Day was celebrated on 10th Aug. 2018 in close coordination with education department. As part of awareness generation amongst students, elaborate awareness generation activities were conducted in 5128 school colleges of 40 talukas of 5 districts of junagadh, Gir Somnath, Botad Bhavnagar, Amreli, covering 11.025 lac of students.

Member secretary informed the board that to discourage illegal lion show, various decisions were taken in meeting held by Hon'ble Chief Minister in month of June, 2018. These included, increasing the number of tourist permits on week days, on weekends in Gir Sanctuary, increasing the number of tourist routes, permitting Gypsies in Devalia Safari in Gir Sanctuary, intensive checking of Homestay and Hotel Resorts around Gir Protected Area, CCTV surveillance, intensive patrolling red alerts, awareness boards, messages, etc. The Board was informed about the actions have been taken on the above.

Action taken on recent incidence of Lion deaths

Members Secretary informed the Board that recently, Lion deaths had taken place in Gir (East) Division Dhari. He mentioned that immediate actions taken by Forest Department included, screening of 3200 sq km of forest area, putting teams of 550 staff, capture and rescue around 52 Lions, including treatment, procurement of vaccine from US and vaccination of affected Lions, blood sampling and testing for virus, bacteria and protozoa through state and national facilities of IVRI, Izzatnagar, Uttar Pradesh and National Institute of Virology, Pune, blood sampling of nearly 200 Lions, in 5 km, 10 km & 25 km radius of incidence and its testing, cattle vaccination in 107 villages of Dhari, vaccination of dogs of surrounding 20 villages.

Video documentation of rescue, capture, vaccination, radio-collaring, work done was shown to the Board members. Members Secretary informed the Board that Hon'ble High Court, in case Writ Petition (PIL) No-56 of 2018, while delivering Judgement Dated:-17/10/2018, has taken note of actions taken by Forest Department and has expressed satisfaction.

Rs. 231.00 crore project for Long Term conservation of Asiatic Lion

Board members were informed that State Government has approved 231.00 Crore package over a period of 5 years for Long Term Conservation of Asiatic Lion. It includes, creation of new division, new range, creation of Conservation Reserve of 109 sq km., developing 7 Rescue Centers, 10 Rescue Teams, 33 Rapid Response Teams, strengthening of communication, transport, mobility infrastructure strengthening, of existing divisions in Lion Landscape, 102 New Vanya Prani mitra, tracker and eco-development works in lion landscape areas. It also includes, engaging 518 manpower of different cadres on regular, outsourcing and contract basis.

Board members were informed that a comprehensive proposal for Rs. 117 crores, for period of 3 years, providing building, communication, transport, mobility, testing

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treatment, infrastructure, equipment for disease surveillance, health management, population management and monitoring in wildlife, has been prepared. It specially includes creating wildlife veterinary cadre, veterinary hospital, testing facilities and laboratories.

COP-2020:

Member Secretary informed that convention of migratory species, is global platform, with 140 countries as its members and India is member country since 1983. Since migratory birds and animals cross national border and level of protection and legal provisions, vary from country to country, this platform brings nations together for common cause. Every third year, it conducts, International summit. 12 summits have been organized. India and Gujarat has been selected as venue for 13th summit. MOEF & CC will be providing 100% budgetary support. The event will give opportunity for state to showcase its socio-cultural-biological diversity. The event coordination is being Wildlife wing of Gujarat, has been identified as nodal agency. Steering committee, headed by Hon'ble Chief Minister, executive committee, headed by Chief Secretary and Implementation committee, headed by Additional Chief Secretary Forest & Environment, will be state organizational structure for this event.

The Board Members took note of the information provided. Members appreciated various initiative and efforts undertaken by Wildlife Wing. The Board Members were highly appreciative of the immediate, prompt and preventive actions taken by Forest Department in handling the issue of disease in Lions and death caused. Mr Bhushan Pandya, Member mentioned that while in similar outbreak in Serengity and Tanzania, nearly 30% population was lost whereas, in this case, prompt action, and commitment of forest staff, the damage control has limited the death to only 5%. Hon'ble Minister of Forest, Tribal Development, Tourism and Women and Child Welfare, mentioned that forest staff worked day and night over period of 2-3 weeks, with passion. Mr. Snehal Patel and Ms. Sonal Shah also appreciated the dedicated efforts and commitment of forest staff, in this moment of crisis. Dr. C. N. Pandey, Member and Ex-PCCF and HoFF, suggested that appreciation of Board may be put on record. While appreciating the efforts of forest staff, Dr. Priyavrata Gadhvi, Member, suggested that preventive vaccination must be avoided. Dr. Rajivkumar Gupta, ACS, Forest & Environment, clarified that vaccination, is being done only for infected animals.

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Following suggestions were made by the Members:

Shri Snehal Patel, Surat Nature Club, suggested that eco-friendly structures and practices must be used in eco-tourism sites and luxury facilities must be discouraged. He shared the works done by their club in removing plastic from eco-tourism sites and beaches. He also suggested that wetlands, specially in cities, are being affected by water hyacinth and suggested that program of its removal may be taken in big way. He also suggested that possibilities of its use as raw material may be examined. Member agreed that issue needs approach, attention and program. Member Secretary informed the Board that state is running Wetland Development scheme and under which specific works are undertaken. Hon'ble Chief Minister suggested that a Techathon- inviting start up for using water hyacinth may be organized, by concerned department.

Dr. Devesh Gadhvi, from, Corbett Foundation, Kutch, informed that hardly 20 Great Indian Bustards are left and being on verge of extinction, need conservation efforts along the lines of Asiatic Lions. He suggested that ex-situ conservation of Great Indian Bustard must be taken up along the lines of captive breeding, as done in Abu Dabhi. He suggested that Great Indian Bustards conservation breeding center of International standard may be established in Gujarat. He also suggested that population of other bustards like Floricans, is also declining and needs similar efforts and approach.

He drew the attention of members towards the death of GIB caused by power lines which have been causing death of GIB. He mentioned that GETCO sub-station, being developed in middle of GIB flyway is potential danger. In interest of conservation, all power lines must be made underground.

Members discussed the issue and expressed the concern that Vultures are also facing various threats and its population is also declining. Member Secretary informed the Board that State has approved dedicated schemes for recovery and restoration for Great Indian Bustard and Vultures. He further said that measures for preventing death through power lines, has been initiated. Meeting and discussion with concerned companies has taken place by suggesting the options of using reflectors and underground cabling, however, high cost has been a limiting factor.

Hon'ble Chief Minister, felt that breeding center for GIB and florican may be established and same may be initiated in current year. Hon'ble Chief Minister also observed that irrespective of cost incurred, agencies must make the power lines underground.

Dr. C.N Pandey, suggested that dedicated regular disease surveillance system of Lion and other wild animals may be built as part of management. He also cited that genetic research and population related research, are highly needed and State Government may consider developing facilities for the same. He mentioned that LeoGen Project, which had been undertaking these works may be strengthened in big way. He suggested that very important role in wildlife management is played by forest trackers, however there is no cadre. He stressed that experienced tracker is an asset and forest department must develop the system to build this cadre. Hon'ble Chief Minister suggested that department must develop a proposal to this effect and department must also increase the number and remuneration of forest trackers.

Shri Motibhai Vasava, Member suggested that to reduce tourist pressure, rotation system of tourist routes may be considered. Members felt that lion being main attraction and in view of increasing tourist pressure, this is difficult proposition. ACS, Forest & Environment, suggested that tourist satisfaction can be increased by using reducing number of vehicles on routes by using battery operated bigger vehicles.

Shri Dhanraj Nathwani, Reliance industries, suggested that involvement of private industries may be encouraged for development, operation and maintenance of zoo and safari. He said Reliance industries is keen to develop and maintain zoo, however it needs facilitation and clarification of modalities, regulatory and permission aspects.

Hon CM felt that the department should move to formulate a policy for developing any zoo/safari by Government.
Member Secretary, mentioned that presence of Lion in revenue areas and outside sanctuary, high number of hotels, resorts and home stays, are providing readymade opportunities for lion sighting, uncontrolled tourism and illegal lion shows.

Hon'ble Chairman, observed that there is dichotomy in approach. While Asiatic Lion, being an international attraction, is used as brand for attracting tourists, the regulations pertaining to homestay and lion sighting in revenue area, act as discouragement. He suggested that Forest Department and Tourism Department, in mutual discussion, must revisit the same and align policies for homestay and tourism in wildlife area. He observed that tourism infrastructure or facilities in forest area or eco tourism policy or programs by tourism department must be evolved in close consultation with forest department.

He also suggested that for Wildlife Tourism in revenue area, some innovative approach must be developed and submitted for discussion. Hon'ble Chief Minister suggested that reliance Industry may submit its expression of interest for developing private zoo and department may provide the necessary guidance and support. He

suggested that forest department may examine the possibilities of involving private organization and industries in developing and maintaining zoos, other captive facilities and concept may be developed for discussion.

Regarding the straying of lions outside Sanctuary and National Park area, he suggested that necessary actions may be taken to reduce the density of tree in Gir for making it suitable for Lions and other herbivores. This may be taken on large scale and within the provisions of existing rule and regulations.

At the end following decisions were taken,

- Industries Department will organize a techathon inviting start up for exploring the uses of water hyacinth as raw material,
- Irrespective of cost incurred, GETCO and other power companies will undertake the action of making the power lines underground.
- Forest Department will develop a proposal for developing a regular cadre of forest trackers. Forest Department will also increase the number and monthly remuneration of forest trackers.
- Forest Department will examine the possibilities of reducing number of vehicles on tourist routes by using battery operated and bigger vehicles.
- Forest Department and Tourism Department, in mutual discussion, will revisit the existing policies for homestay and tourism in wildlife area and align them in interest of wildlife conservation.
- Tourism infrastructure or facilities in forest area or Eco Tourism Policy or programs by Tourism Department will be developed in close consultation with forest department.
- Forest Department will examine the options and develop some innovative approach for wildlife tourism in revenue area and submit for discussion.
- Within the framework of present rules and regulations Industry/ corporate/ private organization, having interest and capabilities, may submit its expression of interest for developing private zoo and department may provide the necessary guidance and support.
- Forest Department may examine the possibilities of involving private organization and industries in developing and maintaining zoos, other captive facilities and ~~concept may be developed for discussion.~~ a policy may

be developed after discussing all issues in this regard.

Agenda - 4: Proposals for carrying out works in the Sanctuaries and National Parks under Section-29 and 35 of Wildlife (Protection) Act - 1972 and recommendation therein.

Member Secretary stated that 25 proposals for use of National Park / Sanctuary land, have been received from different User Agencies, seeking permission under Section 29 and 35 of Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972. He stated that these include 9 proposal for road, 11 of optical fiber cable and 1 for jetty. 17 proposal are from government agency whereas 9 proposals are from private agencies. The details of proposals are as shown below:

Agenda	Particulars of proposal	User Agency	Name of PA	Area ha.	Purpose
4.1	Proposal for use 2.2748 ha land of Gir Wildlife Sanctuary for widening of strengthening of Mendarda-Sasan-Talala State Highway No. 26	Executive Engineer, R & B Division, Junagadh	Gir Sanctuary	2.2748	Widening and strengthening of Road
4.2	Proposal for laying of 11 KV Ghodavadi Forest Settlement Village Electric Line in Gir Wildlife Sanctuary	Deputy Executive Engineer, PGVCL, Gir Gadhdha	Gir Sanctuary	2.52	11 K.V. Electric line
4.3	Proposal for change of surface of existing Dabka Main Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.99	Surface of existing Road
4.4	Proposal for change of surface of existing Gumina Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.72	Surface of existing Road
4.5	Proposal for change of surface of existing Anadu Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.90	Surface of existing Road
4.6	Proposal for change of surface of existing Moti Singloti to Gadi Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.60	Surface of existing Road
4.7	Proposal for change of surface of existing Jitgadh to Junaraj Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	6.30	Surface of existing Road
4.8	Proposal for change of surface of existing Dhirkhadi to Sarpanch Faliya to Khakhara Faliya Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	3.70	Surface of existing Road

4.9	Proposal for use of 1.1805 ha. land in Shoolpaneshwar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	1.1805	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.10	Proposal for use of 0.1944 ha. land in Jambughoda Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Jambughoda Sanctuary	0.1944	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.11	Proposal for use of 0.25 ha. land in Marine National Park for Construction of Jetty	India Cost Guard Station, Vadinar	Marine National Park	0.25	Construction of Jetty
4.12	Proposal for use of 0.3547 ha. land in Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Western Zone Neval Project Telecommunication Consultant India Limited.	Narayan Sarovar Sanctuary	0.3547	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.13	Proposal for use of 0.2773 ha. land in Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Narayan Sarovar Sanctuary	0.2773	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.14	Proposal for use of 1.1271 ha. land in Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Narayan Sarovar Sanctuary	1.1271	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.15	Proposal for use of 0.22 ha. land in Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary	0.22	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.16	Proposal for use of 2.00 ha. land of Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary for widening of Strengthening of Danta-Ambaji road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division, Palanpur	Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary	2.00	Widening and Strengthening of Road
4.17	Proposal for use of 0.0675 ha. land in Vansada National Park for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Vansada National Park	0.0675	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.18	Proposal for use of 0.1517 ha. land in Wild Ass Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Wild Ass Sanctuary	0.1517	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.19	Proposal for use of 0.0719 ha. land in Purna Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Purna Sanctuary	0.0719	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable

4.20	Proposal for use of 0.2138 ha. land in Kutch Dessert Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	0.2138	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.21	Proposal for use of 0.34 ha. land in Kutch Dessert Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	0.34	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.22	Proposal for use of 0.8285 ha. land in Kutch Dessert Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	0.8285	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.23	Proposal for use of 0.053 ha. land in Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary	0.053	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.24	Proposal for change of surface of existing Zarvani Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	7.70	Surface of existing Road
4.25	Proposal for use of 0.6967 ha. land in Wild Ass Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Wild Ass Sanctuary	0.6967	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable

All the proposals were taken up for deliberation by the Board. The Board, after due deliberation, decided to recommend the same to NBWL for consideration and necessary clearance subject to certain conditions.

4.1 Proposal for use 2.2748 ha land of Gir Wildlife Sanctuary for widening of Strengthening of Mendarda-Sasan-Talala State Highway No. 26 by Executive Engineer, R & B Division, Junagadh.

4.1	Proposal for use 2.2748 ha land of Gir Wildlife Sanctuary for widening of Strengthening of Mendarda-Sasan-Talala State Highway No. 26	Executive Engineer, R & B Division, Junagadh	Gir Sanctuary	2.2748 ha.	Widening and Strengthening of Road
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The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same to NBWL for consideration and necessary clearance subject to following conditions.

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Gir Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Gir Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Gir Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall create a speed breaker at a distance of every 500 meters.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

4.2 Proposal for laying of 11 KV Ghodavadi Forest Settlement Village Electric Line in Gir Wildlife Sanctuary by Deputy Executive Engineer, PGVCL, Gir Gadhada.

4.2	Proposal for laying of 11 KV Ghodavadi Forest Settlement Village Electric Line in Gir Wildlife Sanctuary	Deputy Executive Engineer, PGVCL, Gir Gadhada	Gir Sanctuary	2.52 ha.	11 K.V. Electric line
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The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same to NBWL for consideration and necessary clearance subject to following conditions.

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM. to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

4.3 to 4.9 & 4.24: Proposal for change of surface of existing 8 road in Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary by Executive Engineer R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla.

4.3	Proposal for change of surface of existing Dabka Main Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.99 ha.	Surface of existing Road
4.4	Proposal for change of surface of existing Gumina Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.72 ha.	Surface of existing Road
4.5	Proposal for change of surface of existing Anadu Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.90 ha.	Surface of existing Road
4.6	Proposal for change of surface of existing Moti Singloti to Gadi Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	0.60 ha.	Surface of existing Road

4.7	Proposal for change of surface of existing Jitgadh to Junaraj Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	6.30 ha.	Surface of existing Road
4.8	Proposal for change of surface of existing Dhirkhadi to Sarpanch Faliya to Khakhara Faliya Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	3.70 ha.	Surface of existing Road
4.9	Proposal for use of 1.1805 ha. land in Shoolpaneshwar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	1.1805 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.24	Proposal for change of surface of existing Zarvani Road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division (Panchayat), Rajpipla	Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary	7.70 ha.	Surface of existing Road

The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same to NBWL for consideration and necessary clearance subject to following conditions.

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Shoolpaneshwar Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Sanctuary.
7. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.

10. The User Agency shall create a speed breaker at a distance of every 500 meters.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

4.10 Proposal for use of 0.1944 ha. land in Jambughoda Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable in Jambughoda Wildlife Sanctuary and Eco-Sensitive Zone by Reliance Jio Ltd. Ahmedabad

4.10	Proposal for use of 0.1944 ha. land in Jambughoda Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Jambughoda Sanctuary	0.1944 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
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The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Jambughoda Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Jambughoda Wildlife Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Jambughoda Wildlife Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepared Wildlife Mitigation Plan shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

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4.11 Proposal for use of 0.6125 ha. land in Marine National Park and Eco-Sensitive Zone for Construction of Jetty by Indian Coast Guard, Vadinar.

4.11	Proposal for use of 0.25 ha. land in Marine National Park for Construction of Jetty	India Coast Guard Station, Vadinar	Marine National Park	0.25 ha & 0.1125 ESZ	Construction of Jetty
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The Board deliberated the proposal. It noted that this is not for cargo but for monitoring of pollution and other marine disaster. Since presently coast guard vessel is located in Porbander, this jetty will allow faster response from coast guard vessel, in case of emergency. In view of the same, board, decided to recommend the same subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy Marine habitat including fauna and flora of the Marine National Park.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Marine National Park.
5. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the National Park.
7. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.
11. The mitigation measures proposed in the study report, prepared by NIO, Goa, in Oct. 2017, on behest of agency, shall be included in the mitigation plan and will be complied with.

4.12 to 4.14: **Proposal for laying of OFC in Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary and Eco-Sensitive Zone**

4.12	Proposal for use of 0.3547 ha. land in Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Western Zone Neval Project Telecommunication Consultant India Limited.	Narayan Sarovar Sanctuary	0.3547 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.13	Proposal for use of 0.2733 ha. land in Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Narayan Sarovar Sanctuary	0.2773 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.14	Proposal for use of 1.1271 ha. land in Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Narayan Sarovar Sanctuary	1.1271 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable

The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same for consideration and necessary clearance subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Narayan Sarovar Wildlife Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

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4.15 & 4.23: Proposal for laying of OFC in Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary and Eco-Sensitive Zone

4.15	Proposal for use of 0.22 ha. land in Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary	0.22 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.23	Proposal for use of 0.053 ha. land in Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary	0.053 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable

The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Balaram Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Balaram Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Balaram Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

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4.16: Proposal for use of 2.00 ha land of Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary for widening of Strengthening of Danta-Ambaji road by Executive Engineer, R & B Division, Palanpur.

4.16	Proposal for use of 2.00 ha land of Balaram-Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary for widening of Strengthening of Danta-Ambaji road	Executive Engineer, R & B Division, Palanpur	Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary	2.00 ha.	Widening and Strengthening of Road
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The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same to NBWL for consideration and necessary clearance subject to following conditions.

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Balaram Ambaji Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Sanctuary.
7. The work in the sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall create a speed breaker at a distance of every 500 meters.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

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4.17: Proposal for use of 0.0675 ha. land in Vansada National Park for laying of Optical Fiber Cable in Vansada National Park and Eco-Sensitive Zone by Reltel Corporation of India.

4.17	Proposal for use of 0.0675 ha. land in Vansada National Park for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Vansada National Park	0.0675 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
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The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Vansada National Park.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Vansada National Park.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Vansada National Park.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Vansada National Park.
7. The work in the National Park will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

4.18 & 4.25:

Proposal for laying of OFC in Wild Ass Sanctuary and Eco-Sensitive Zone

4.18	Proposal for use of 0.1517 ha. land in Wild Ass Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Wild Ass Sanctuary	0.1517 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.25	Proposal for use of 0.6967 ha. land in Wild Ass Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Wild Ass Sanctuary	0.6967 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable

The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Wild Ass Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Wild Ass Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Wild Ass Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Wild Ass Sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

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4.19: Proposal for use of 0.0719 ha. land in Purna Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable in Purna Wildlife Sanctuary and Eco-Sensitive Zone by Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.

4.19	Proposal for use of 0.0719 ha. land in Purna Wildlife Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Purna Sanctuary	0.0719 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
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The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Purna Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Purna Wildlife Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Purna Wildlife Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Purna Wildlife Sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

4.20 to 4.22: **Proposal for laying of OFC in Kutch Desert Sanctuary and Eco-Sensitive Zone**

4.20	Proposal for use of 0.2138 ha. land in Kutch Dessert Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	0.2138 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.21	Proposal for use of 0.34 ha. land in Kutch Dessert Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd, Ahmedabad.	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	0.34 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable
4.22	Proposal for use of 0.8285 ha. land in Kutch Dessert Sanctuary for laying of Optical Fiber Cable.	Reltel Corporation of India	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	0.8285 ha.	Laying of Optical Fiber Cable

The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same subject to following conditions

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Kutch Desert Sanctuary.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the Kutch Desert Sanctuary.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the Kutch Desert Sanctuary.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the Kutch Desert Sanctuary.
7. The work in the Sanctuary will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency shall restore the land in its original form after completion of the work.
11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

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Agenda – 5: Discussion of proposals for clearance under Wildlife Protection Act – 1972 regarding the project within Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ) and recommendation therein.

Member Secretary stated that as per direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India (GoI) has issued guidelines vide letter F. No. 6-10/2011 WL dated 19.12.2012 for declaration of Eco Sensitive Zone (ESZ) around Protected Areas(PA). Member Secretary further stated that as per guidelines issued by GoI, until Final Notification is published declaring ESZ around PA, the ESZ shall extend upto 10 kms from the boundary of PA. Member Secretary informed that activities / Project within ESZ which require environment clearance, are required to obtain permission of Standing Committee of NBWL from Wildlife viewpoint. Such activities / Projects could be submitted to Standing Committee of NBWL for consideration only after recommendation of SBWL. Member Secretary stated that seven proposals under this category have been received for consideration of SBWL. The details of the proposal received are as under.

No.	Particulars of proposal	User Agency	Name of PA	Distance from PA (km)	Area (Ha.)	Purpose
5.1	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Devsinh L. Solanki, At. Ratadiya, Ta. Bhuj	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	6.03	4.50	Mining Activity
5.2	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Jadeja Hamirji Ranaji At. Ratadiya, Ta. Bhuj	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	6.45	4.00	Mining Activity
5.3	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Suraj Minerals At. Nadapa, Ta. Bhuj	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	9.10	4.24	Mining Activity

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5.4	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Jayaba D. Solanki At. Ratadiya, Ta. Bhuj	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	6.06	4.50	Mining Activity
5.5	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Hemubha Hanubha Sodha, At. Kharoi, Ta. Bhachau	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	3.20	4.24	Mining Activity
5.6	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Gir Wildlife Sanctuary	Dhanji Naran Ravat At. Tranbo, Ta. Rapar	Kutch Dessert Sanctuary	5.05	4.80	Mining Activity
5.7	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Jadeja Dasharthsinh Khanji , At. Ratadiya, Ta. Bhuj	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	6.07	2.00	Mining Activity
5.8	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Gohil Pradhyuman sinh Kishorsinh At. Ratadiya, Ta. Bhuj	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	6.02	2.00	Mining Activity
5.9	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Jadeja Hakumatsinh Tugaji At. Ratadiya, Ta. Bhuj	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	6.00	2.00	Mining Activity
5.10	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Ghanashyam bhai Bhailalbhai Thakkar At. Modasar,	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	5.30	4.75	Mining Activity
5.11	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Sharad Minecame At. Nadapa	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	9.20	4.75	Mining Activity



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5.12	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Janmamad Isha Node, At. Andho	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	1.50	0.3794	Mining Activity
5.13	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Gelabhai Bachubhai At. Dhabada	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	2.05	4.00	Mining Activity
5.14	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Shri Arun Gopal Chhanga, At. Kanuriya	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	8.00	2.58	Mining Activity
5.15	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Kutch Desert Sanctuary	Shri Kantibhai J. Gor, At. Ratadiya	Kutch Desert Sanctuary	6.50	4.50	Mining Activity
5.16	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Gir Sanctuary	Shri Shiv Minerals At. Sugala, Ta. Koninar, Dist. Gir Somnath	Gir Sanctuary	5.85	1.00	Mining Activity
5.17	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Gir Sanctuary	Shri Kishorbhai Virabhai Jankat, At. Ghantvad,	Gir Sanctuary	5.10	2.4406	Mining Activity
5.18	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Gir Sanctuary	Shri Dinubhai Boghabhai Solanki At. Ghantvad,	Gir Sanctuary	3.00	3.2375	Mining Activity

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5.19	Mining activity within 10 km ESZ of Gir Sanctuary	Maruti Stone cruiser At. Arithiya, Ta. Kodinar, Dist. Gir somanath	Gir Sanctuary	5.30	0.90	Mining Activity
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5.1 to 5.15: Mining activity within 10 km Eco Sensitive Zone of Kutch Desert Sanctuary.

Shri Devesh Gadhvi, Corbet Foundation, Kutch, pointed out that in agenda no. 5.12 & 5.13, the sites for proposed mining are very close to the sanctuary boundary. He mentioned that there is likelihood of animal presence and movement and with possibilities of likely disturbance to animals, the proposal may not be recommended.

Member Secretary informed the board that these proposal are outside proposed eco-sensitive zone boundary. He also mentioned that one case the mine is already approved and was operational. Board took note of the information provided.

Hon. Chairman observed that in poor developed and resource scarce area of kutch, mining in small area is livelihood generating activity. Since proposed eco-sensitive zone, has already taken care to provide buffer to sanctuary and wild animals, within sanctuary, the proposal of mining may be considered in this perspective.

Board also noted that the technically proposal falls outside the eco-sensitive area and hence as per guidelines would not have been required to seek approval but since notification is pending, hence it is seeking approval.

The Board deliberated the proposal and decided to recommend the same to NBWL for consideration and necessary clearance subject to following conditions.

1. The User agency shall not destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Kutch Desert Sanctuary.
2. The User Agency shall not take up any activity / dumping material / construction / filling up of land in any manner which obstructs the natural flow of water.



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3. The User Agency shall make permanent arrangement so that no polluted water enters Sanctuary or any solid / liquid waste enters Sanctuary area.
 4. The User Agency will have to create 10 meter wide Green Belt around mining area.
 5. The User Agency shall prepare closure plan and ensure that the mining area is brought back to its original form on completion of mining activity.
 6. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

5.15 to 5.19: Mining activity within 10 km Eco Sensitive Zone of Gir Wildlife Sanctuary.

The proposal was taken up for discussion. Member secretary informed the Board that draft notification of GIR Eco-Sensitive Zone was issued on 25-10-2016. Consequent to receipt of objections, modified Eco-sensitive zone was presented before the Expert committee of MoEF& CC, on 11-04-2017. With reference to PIL No. 88/2017 filed in Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat, Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat has issued stay order on final Notification of GIR Eco-Sensitive Zone. He submitted to the Board that since the matter is sub-judice, Board may consider the same while taking decision in the matter.

The board took note of the issue and decided to defer the matter.

Agenda – 6: Any other agenda item with permission of the Chair.

Members Secretary submitted to Board that Dholera Special Investment Region (SIR), is important national project, under implementation and one of the component is development of Dholera Expressway (Sarkhej-Watwan-Bhavnagar road). The project is six laning of existing road of which 1375 mtere, passes through Velavadar National Park and requires non-forest use of 5.2937 ha. of land from National Park and 15.8293 ha of revenue land in Eco-Sensitive Zone. Member Secretary stated that that this proposal was placed for consideration of SBWL in 2009. The Board in its meeting dated 04-07-2009 examined the same and had recommended the same with condition that 50 meter flyover be provided to avoid disturbance to Blackbucks. Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation was the applicant agency. Now the project is being implemented by National Highway Authority of India. The project has provided 1375 meter of flyover, i.e. that entire length of 1375 meter of existing road will be passing over the National Park, as flyover, instead, in its present form.

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Member Secretary stated that presently the road divides the areas, is operational and Blackbucks have been crossing over. Since Board had already recommended the proposal earlier and instead of 50 meter flyover, suggested by Board, present proposal provides for 1375 meter of flyover, thereby providing free movement across, the proposal may be recommended.

Members discussed the same. They felt that in present situation, the road is operational and animals may be facing some disturbance which they have got used to. The proposal was recommended by Board earlier. The suggestion made have been further improved upon and in its new form entire road has been elevated to 1375 meter flyover, allowing free movement of animal, without any barrier. This removes even the existing disturbance, caused by road presently, passing on ground.

In view of above, the Board decided to recommend the same to NBWL for consideration and necessary clearance subject to following conditions.

1. The User Agency shall not violate any regulatory provisions under Section - 9, 17 A, 27, 29, 30, 31 & 32 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
2. The User agency shall not harm or destroy wildlife habitat including fauna and flora of the Velavadar National Park.
3. The User Agency shall not use the area for the proposed work other than the area permitted.
4. The User Agency shall not establish any temporary or permanent labour camp in the National Park.
5. The User Agency or his contractor shall not create any fire places inside the National Park.
6. All the material required for the work shall be prepared outside the National Park.
7. The work in the National Park will be allowed only in the day time from 8 AM to 6 PM.
8. Approval under Forest Conversation Act, 1980, if required, shall be obtained separately for use of forest land.
9. The User Agency shall deposit NPV for the use of land of Protected Area as per the existing rates.
10. The User Agency provide fly over of 1375 meters, length, on the section of road passing through National Park.



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11. The User Agency shall prepare Wildlife Mitigation Plan and which shall be approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.

There being no other item for discussion, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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Annexure – I

List of Participants in 14th Meeting of State Board for Wildlife Gujarat

Sr. No.	Name	Designation
1	Hon'ble Minister Tribal Development, Tourism and Forest.	Vice Chairperson of SBWL
2	Hon'ble Minister of State Forest and Tribal Development.	Co-Vice Chairperson
3	Shri Babubhai Bhimabhai Bokhiriya Hon'ble MLA	Member
4	Shri Nareshbhai Maganbhai Patel Hon'ble MLA	Member
5	Chief Secretary, Gujarat State	Permanent Member
6	Additional Chief Secretary, Forest and Environment	Member
7	Secretary, Tribal Development	Member
8	PCCF & HoFF, Gujarat State	Member
9	PCCF, WL & CWLW Gujarat State	Member Secretary
10	Director General of Police, Gujarat State	Member
11	Member Secretary, Gujarat Ecology Commission Gandhinagar & APCCF, Wildlife, Gandhinagar	Member
12	Commissioner Fisheries, Gandhinagar.	Member
13	Director, Animal Husbandry, Gandhinagar.	Member
14	Shri Motilal Vasava Hon'ble EX.MLA, Dediyapada Dist: Narmada	Member
15	Dr. C. N. Pandey, Retd. PCCF & HoFF, Gujarat State	Member
16	Dr. Nishit Dharaiya, Asst. Professor (Environment Science) Patan	Member

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17	Ms. Sonal Madhubhai Shah, Principal of Kadavibhai Virani Kanya Vidhyalay, Rajkot	Member
18	Shri Dhanraj Nathvani, Group Senior Vice President, Reliance	Member
19	Shri Bhushan Pandya, Wildlife Photographer, Rajkot	Member
20	Dr. Priyavat Gadhvi, Biotechnologist and Wildlife Conservationist	Member
21	Shri Snehal Patel, Nature Club, Surat	Member
22	Representative Corbett Foundation, Kutch	Member
23	Representative of Director, GEER Foundation, Gandhinagar	Member
24	Representative MD, Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Ltd.	Member
25	Addl. Secretary, Forest & Environment Department,	Invitee
26	Chief Conservator of Forests, WL Circle, Junagadh	Invitee
27	Chief Conservator of Forests, Junagadh Circle,	Invitee
28	Chief Conservator of Forests, Valsad Circle, Valsad	Invitee
29	Chief Conservator of Forests, WL Circle, Gandhinagar	Invitee
30	Conservator of Forests, Wildlife Circle, Vadodara	Invitee
31	Representative Chief Conservator of Forest, Kutch Circle, Kutch	Invitee
32	Representative Chief Conservator of Forest, MNP Jamnagar.	Invitee