

Proposal No:

FP/GJ/Others/34592/2018

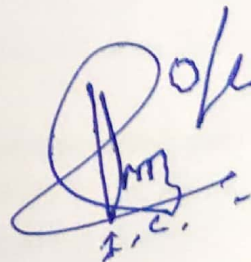
જા.નં. : અ/સર્વે/૧૭/ 340 /૨૧-૨૨
નાયબ વન સંરક્ષકશ્રીની કચેરી
સુરત વન વિભાગ
સુરત તા. 19 /૦૭/૨૦૨૧.

પ્રતિ,
મુખ્ય વન સંરક્ષકશ્રી,
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વિષય :- Diversion of 38.8633 Ha. Of Forest Land for Tank Farm and Storage Associated Facilities for Hazira Manufacturing Division In Favour of reliance industries Limited at Village: Hajira Taluka : Choryasi Dist. : Surat, Gujarat State.

સંદર્ભ :- આપના પત્રાંક: અ/જમન/૧૬/૨૫/ તા: ૦૩/૦૪/૨૦૨૧.

સાદર ઉપરોક્ત વિષય અને સંદર્ભ અન્વયે નિવેદન કરવાનું કે, રીલાયન્સ ઇન્ડસ્ટ્રીઝ, લી. હજીરા (મોરા) દ્વારા સંદર્ભના પત્રથી વન સંરક્ષણ ધારા-૧૯૮૦ હેઠળ મોજે હજીરા તા.ચોર્યાસીના જંગલ સર્વે નંબર ૪૩૪/અ/૧ પૈકી હયાત બાયપાસ રોડની બાજુમાં ટેન્ક ફાર્મ અને સ્ટોરેજ ફેસિલીટી માટે કુલ ૩૮.૮૬૩૩ હે. જંગલ જમીનની માંગણી કરતી દરખાસ્ત આપને સાદર કરવામાં આવેલ હતી. જે બાબતે આપના સંદર્ભના પત્રથી જરૂરી ક્ષતિ કરી પુર્તતા કરવા માટે તમામ દરખાસ્ત પરત કરવામાં આવેલ જે આ સાથે તમામ મુદ્દાઓની પુર્તતા કરી દરખાસ્ત પાંચ નકલમાં સાદર કરવામાં આવે છે જે આપ સાહેબને વિદીત થાય.



(પુનીલ નય્યર)
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Clarification- Query

Diversion of 38.8633 ha of forest land for tank farm and storage associated facilities for Hazira Manufacturing Division in favor of Reliance Industries Ltd at Village Hazira; Taluka- Chorasi; District-Surat

1. The proposal is having overlapping with FCA proposal of Param Infra Project Pvt Ltd. (Online Entry No. FP/GJ/IND/3519/2012) and FCA proposal of Vatika Foods Pvt. Ltd. (Online Entry No. FP/GJ/IND/3518/2012). The extent of overlapping is as follows:
 - (i) Overlapping with FCA proposal of Param Infra Project Pvt. Ltd. – 30 ha.
 - (ii) Overlapping with FCA proposal of Vatika Foods Pvt. Ltd. – 8.8633 ha.

Despite overlapping with above two agencies, the office of APCCF (Land) accepted the proposal of Reliance Industries and asked the user agency to submit the proposal at the office of Deputy Conservator of Forest, Surat. The copy of this intimation is attached here with.

The office of undersigned has not recommended the proposal of Reliance Industries as this office has already recommended the above two proposals of Param Infra Project Pvt. Ltd and Vatika Foods Pvt. Ltd. The decision on above two FCA proposals is currently pending with the state government. Further, this office has only stated the factual position of the demanded land- overlapping status, vegetation status, encroachment etc. in the FCA proposal sent to your kind office along with all relevant annexure vide letter no. A/Survey/17/1844-46 dated 17/03/2021.

2. Current status of forest land in S.No. 434/A/1
 - a. **Total area** – 275.59 ha. This area is notified under section-4 vide Gazette Notification No. Akh/75-75/FLD/1175/61704-P dated 10/02/1975. Out of this, 47.75 ha is notified under section-20 vide Gazette Notification No. GVN-2000/FLD/1683/6499-K dated 25/7/2000 and rest of area 227.84 ha is under section-4.
 - b. **The area demanded (38.8633 ha) has been demarcated and boundary pillars are placed.** But for the rest of the area of S.No. 434/A/1, the survey and demarcation is in progress. For this, request has been sent to Collector Surat to instruct DILR (District Inspector of Land Records) to conduct the joint survey of all the survey numbers of Hazira Round of Dumas Range. Further, entry of forest area under section-4 of Hazira Round in revenue records is also pending since notification. The undersigned has sent many reminders in last 4 years to office of Collector Surat along with relevant documents for the same. Subsequent to entry into revenue records, joint survey and demarcation with DILR will be possible. This office is continuously

following up with office of Collector Surat and DILR to expedite the process. After joint survey and demarcation, a detailed report will be sent to your kind office.

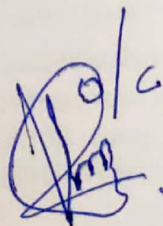
- c. The detail of other forest land diverted under FCA in Hazira area as per our records is attached here with.
- d. As per records, Essar Steel India Ltd. (Now ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel India Ltd.) encroached 20.76 ha of forest land in S.No. 434/A/1 which came to cognizance of the department in 2007 and FOR (First Offence Report) was issued. Further, penal FCA proposal was prepared and sent by the user agency. The penal FCA proposal got in-principle approvals vide no. 6-GJC 019/2011-BHO/950 dated 08.06.2013. The formal approval of this proposal is pending due to non-compliance of certain conditions by the user agency. **But for the rest of the area of the survey no. 434/A/1, once the demarcation is completed after joint survey of DILR and forest department, other encroachments (if any) will be reported through a detailed report subsequently.**


As far as area demanded (38.8633 ha) is concerned, there is no encroachment and FCA violation/shrimp farms/Illegal construction etc.

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4. The dates have been put in all the annexure and attached here with.




Deputy Conservator of Forests
Surat