

GOVERNMENT OF GOA OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS

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Government of Goal Electricity Department Office of the Exe. Engineer Elec cum Division VII

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Proposal for conversion of existing 11 KV overhead Netravall Peeder to 11 KV cabling network emanating from 33/11 KV Vaddem Sub-Station in Sanguem Constituency under the jurisdiction of Electricity Department, Sub-Division II, Sanguem, Goa through 0.8563 ha of land in the Protected Area of Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary, Goa.

Whereas, an application was submitted by the Executive Engineer, Electricity Department Division VII, Curchorem, Goa for the conversion of existing 11 KV overhead Netravali Feeder to 11 KV U/G cabling network emanating from 33/11 KV Vaddem Sub-Station in Sanguem Constituency under the jurisdiction of Electricity Department, Sub-Division II, Sanguem, Goa through 0.8563 ha of land in the Protected Area of Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary, Goa.

Whereas, the proposal was examined and recommended by Wildlife Warden (South) and Chief Wildlife Warden of the State as per the prescribed guideline and procedure of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (MoEF).

Whereas, the proposal was forwarded to the Integrated Regional Office of the MoEF, Bangalore for grant of forest clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 (FCA). However, it was returned stating that "since the project falls within the Netravali Wildlief Sanctuary, recommendation of concerned Board may be obtained."

Whereas, the matter was placed before the Goa State Board for Wildlife in its meeting dated 12th July 2023 and the Board considered and recommended the proposal in larger public interest subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the Ministry's guideline dated 7th February 2023 and mitigation measures as suggested by Chief Wildlife Warden, Goa.

Therefore, the proposal for conversion of existing 11 KV overhead Netravali Feeder to 11 KV U/G cabling network emanating from 33/11 KV Vaddem Sub-Station in Sanguem Constituency under the jurisdiction of Electricity Department, Sub-Division II, Sanguem, Goa through 0.8563 ha of land in the Protected Area of Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary, Goa is

proved subject to the terms and conditions set in the guidelines as detailed below: The size of the trench will not exceed more than 2.0 m depth and 1.0 m width; The user agency agrees to make good the land after use/ maintenance; The user agency agrees to make good any loss of forest/ environment;

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- iv. The user agency seeks permission from the State Forest Department for carrying out any maintenance;
- v. The diameter of the cable shall commensurate with the width of the trench mentioned above;
- vi. No civil structures will be built with the underground power line;
- vii. The length of the trench dug at a time should not exceed 500 m, filled up and compacted, before digging next stretch of 500 m;
- viii. The time frame suggested below must be strictly adhered to;
- ix. The user agency shall provide supply points within the Wildlife Sanctuary if demanded by the Chief Wildlife Warden or Dy. Conservator of Forests;

The work has to be completed within a period of two months under the supervision of the Range Forest Officer concerned. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Ecotourism (South) shall submit a monthly progress report of the same.

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(Umakant, IFS) Chief Wildlife Warden

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Dy. Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Ecotourism (South), Margao for information and necessary action.