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 भारत सरकार
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
 पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE
CHANGE



क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, गांधीनगर / **Regional Office, Gandhinagar**

B-215 & B-216 "अरण्य भवन, झालाना संस्थानिक क्षेत्र, जयपुर-302004/ B-215& B-216,
"ARANYA BHAWAN" ,Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur-302004 दुरभाष 0141-
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दिनांक: 11th फरवरी, 2026

अपर मुख्य सचिव (वन)/The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests)

गुजरात सरकार/Govt. of Gujarat

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(प्रस्ताव संख्या: FP/GJ/Others/34592/2018)

विषय: Diversion of 38.8633 Ha of forest land at village: Hazira, Taluka Choryasi, District-Surat of Gujarat State for Expansion of RIL Hazira Manufacturing Division & Associated Facilities like Tank Farm, Warehousing, etc.

Madam/Sir,

This has reference to Govt. of Gujarat letter no. FED/FLP/e-file/6/2025/3045/F dated 30.12.2025 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change under section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

The instant proposal has been duly examined and it has been observed that the proposal needs further clarifications as shown below:

1. The proposal does not contain the mandatory documents required to be submitted by the User Agency (UA) as per the prevailing Act, Rules and Guidelines.
2. Considerable time has elapsed since the initial submission of the proposal and its processing at various levels in the State Government. During this intervening period, the Act, Rules and Guidelines have undergone several amendments.
3. As per the revised Rules applicable to the instant proposal, examination by the Project Screening Committee (PSC) is mandatory. However, the proposal has not been examined by the PSC, despite the fact that it was recommended by the State Nodal Officer after the implementation of the revised Rules.
4. Further, there is a change in the extent of forest area recommended for diversion by the state government as compared to the area originally proposed by the user agency. However, the KML file and other relevant records have not been revised in consonance with the modified area recommended by the State Government. In the absence of a revised and matching KML, the proposal cannot be examined or considered further.
5. In view of the above deficiencies, the proposal in its present form cannot be

acceded to. Accordingly, the proposal is returned to the State Government with a request to submit a *de-novo* proposal in accordance with the prevailing Act, Rules and Guidelines, along with complete and updated documents, through the PARIVESH 2.0 portal.

भवदीय/Sincerely,

Digitally signed by

Balaji Kari

(बालजी करी/ **Balaji Kari**)
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प्रतिलिपि/Copy to:

1. The Inspector General of Forests, ROHQ Division, Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi- 110003.
2. The PCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Aranya Bhawan, Block No. A/3, Sector-10A, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
3. The Dy. Conservator of Forests, Surat Forest Division, Surat, Gujarat.
4. Concerned User Agency.
5. Guard File/ Order File.