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Date: 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
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To,

The Addl. Chief Secretary,  
Department of Forests,  
Government of West Bengal,  
Aranya Bhawan, Block-LA, 10-A, Sector – III,  
Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700106.

**Sub: Proposal for diversion of 0.0144 ha of forest land in favour of Reliance Jio Infocom Ltd. for setting up of e-Node (Mobile Tower) at Mongpong 10 forest compartment under Kalimpong Forest Division of West Bengal -reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of West Bengal letter No.10-For/O/L/10T-34/2022 dated 3.1.2023 on the above-mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal has been examined by this office in accordance with Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and the following information/ documents are still required to upload in Parivesh portal for further processing of the project.

- It is not clear whether 100 plant can be accommodated in proposed 0.0288 ha degraded forest land. No. of plants to be planted in proposed CA land should be clearly mentioned. Compensatory afforestation of minimum 100 plants need to be submitted as per para 2.6 of Handbook of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.
- Details of the employment generation due the project are not explored. It may be uploaded.
- It needs to be clarified whether existing Simal tree proposed for felling or not.

Therefore, it is requested that kindly upload the above mentioned information/ documents in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours Sincerely,

(Dr. S. Hare Krishna Murti)  
Assistant Inspector General of Forest(c)

Copy to:-

- The PCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal, Aranya Bhawan, Salt Lake City, Kolkata, 700098.
- The Divisional Forest Officer, Kalimpong Forest Division, West Bengal.
- The ROW LEAD, JIO Digital Fibre Private Limited, Tower-II, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor, Goodrej Water Side Building, Sec-V, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700091.
- Guard File.

Assistant Inspector General of Forest(C)