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F. No. 4-KRB1492/2024-BAN  
Dated 28th July, 2025

To

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,  
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,  
M.S.Building, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi,  
Bangalore – 560 001.

Sub: Diversion of 1.1594 ha of forest land in 12 villages in Shivamogga District (Shivamogga Wildlife Division) for laying of Underground OFC Cable within the existing RoW from Biligalluru to Nagavalli in favour of DGM, Jio Digital Fiber Private Limited, Bengaluru.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. FEE12FLL2023 (e) dated 31.05.2025 (received in the Regional Office, Bengaluru, through Parivesh Portal on 09/07/2025) on the subject mentioned above. Scrutiny revealed that the documentary evidence showing the ROW existing prior to 1976-77 is not found enclosed along with the reply submitted by the State Government. It may also be noted that, if there is no documentary evidence available, then the proposal has to be treated as a fresh diversion case and the approval of the Standing Committee of National Board for Wildlife would be required as the area proposed for diversion is within a Protected Area

In view of the above, it is requested to kindly provide necessary information for further processing of the proposal please.

Yours faithfully,

(Praneetha Paul)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (VSESA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18 th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore – 560 003.
3. The Deputy General Manager, Jio Digital Fiber Private Limited, RMZ Icon, Palace Cross Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru.