## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

Rc.no.EFS02-15035/6/2018-FCA- SEC PCCF/FCA-3, Dated:07.08.2023. Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, Mangalagiri-522004.

## Sri Y. Madhusudhana Reddy, I.F.S., Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force

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Sub:- APFD - F(C)Act, 1980 - Diversion of 1.06 ha forest land for Laying and maintaining of 33 KV line (by EPDCL) beside Narsipatnam - Tuni Road from Thandava Junction to Gandhi Nagar in favour of DEE, APEPDCL, Narsipatnam - Request to attend to the shortcoming - Reg.

Ref:- 1. Proposals uploaded in the ministry's website No. FP/AP/TRANS/39550/2019.

 PCCF & HoFF,A.P., Mangalagiri Rc. No. EFS02 -15035/6/2018-FCA- SEC PCCF/FCA-3, dated: 02.04.2019.

 CCF, Visakhapatnam Rc. No. 1852/2021/TO, dated: 27.05.2019, 15.04.2023 & 03.07.2023.

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It is informed that, the proposal received in the reference  $3^{\rm rd}$  cited for diversion of 1.06 ha forest land for Laying and maintaining of 33 KV line (by EPDCL) beside Narsipatnam – Tuni Road from Thandava Junction to Gandhi Nagar in favour of DEE, APEPDCL, Narsipatnam has been examined. On verification, it is observed that, the User agency has mentioned that, the width of the transmission line is 6.00 m.

In this regard, it is informed that, as per para10.1 of Chapter-10 of Comprehensive guidelines issued by GoI, MoEF & CC, New Delhi in F. no.5-2/2017-FC, dated: 28.03.2019, the standard width recommended for Right of Way (RoW) for laying of 33 KV transmission line is 15 m with minimum clearance between the conductor and trees to be 2.8 meters. The area of RoW can be reduced where Aerial Bunched Cable (ABC) are proposed to be used in place of over head lines. However, in the proposal it is not clear whether over head lines or ABC would be used in the project.

In view of the above, the Chief Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam is requested to re-examine the proposal as per the guidelined issued from time to time by MoEF & CC, New Delhi and submit your remarks for taking further action in the matter.

Sd/- Anand Kumar Jha for Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force

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The Chief Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam.

Copy to the District Forest Officer, Anakapalli for information and necessary action.

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