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URGENT EDS QUERY

To,

The Conservator of Forests Shimoga Circle, Shimoga

Sub: Diversion of 1.1594 hectare of forest land in various Villages in Theerthahalli Taluk, Shimoga District (Shimoga Wildlife Division) for laying of Underground OFC Cable from in favour of DGM, Jio Digital Fibre Private Limited, Bengaluru

Proposal No. FP/KA/OFC/144741/2021

Ref: 1. Online proposal [FORM-A PART-I] dated 19-06-2022 of M/s Jio Digital Fibre Private Limited, Bengaluru

2. Online submission of PART-II on 25-08-2022 by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Shimoga Wildlife Division [*Letter No. B4/Land/GL-1419/2022-23 dated 25-08-2022*]

3. Online submission of PART-III on 01-09-2022 by Conservator of Forests, Kanara Circle [Letter No. A11/FC/Talale-Sacrebyle/144741/2022-23 dated 01-09-2022]

With reference to above subject, the online proposal (PART-I, II & III) received by this office on 01-09-2022 vide Ref (1) to (3) above and the hard copies of the proposal have been examined. The proposal is however observed to be incomplete in the following aspect.

Reference Item in proposal	Observations/ Action to be taken by Deputy Conservator of Forests
PART-II: Item 8(i) [to be provided by DCF]	Instead of mentioning the wildlife present in and around the forest land, an extent of 1.1594 is mentioned. Please mention the wild animals present in and around the forest land proposed for diversion.
	Option 'No' is selected in Item No. 8(ii) (Whether forms part of national park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger

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DCF]	reserve, elephant corridor, wildlife migration corridor etc). Since the proposal is for diversion of forest area in wildlife areas and also the DCF (in Site Inspection Report) has mentioned that the proposed area falls within the Shettihalli WLS and Sharavathi LTM Sanctuary. Please verify the issue and select 'Yes' option in Item No. 8(ii).
DART-II: Item	Option 'No' is selected in Item No. 8(ii) (Whether the forest land proposed for diversion is located within eco-sensitive zone (ESZ) of the Protected Area notified under Wildlife (Protection) Act,1972. Since the proposal is for diversion of forest area in wildlife areas and also the DCF (in Site Inspection Report) has mentioned that the proposed area falls within the Shettihalli WLS and Sharavathi LTM Sanctuary. Please verify the issue and select 'Yes' option in Item No. 8(iii).
PART-II: Item 8(iv) [to be provided by DCF]	Option 'No' is selected in Item No. 8(ii) (Whether any national park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, wildlife migration corridor etc., is located within 1 Km. from boundary of the forest land proposed for diversion). Since the proposal is for diversion of forest area in wildlife areas and also the DCF (in Site Inspection Report) has mentioned that the proposed area falls within the Shettihalli WLS and Sharavathi LTM Sanctuary. Please verify the issue and select 'Yes' option in Item No. 8(iv).
PART-II: Item 13 [to be provided by DCF]	As per the Section 2.5 (i) b of guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, the CA shall be raised and maintained at the cost of the User Agency on degraded forest land twice in the extent of forest area diverted in the case of OFC. Please identify the degraded forest area double the extent of diversion and Please ensure that the following information/documents are uploaded in Part-II of Parivesh web portal and duly provided in the hard copy of the proposal (minimum 3 ink-signed sets for this office). a. Survey of India Topo sheet(s) on 1:50,000 scale showing the proposed degraded forest land parcel b. Geo-Referenced Maps showing the proposed degraded forest land parcel super imposed on the village maps with GPS readings (Datum WGS 84; in Degree Decimals) of all corners such land parcels
o med amiet	of the Government of India FC guidelines d. CA land Suitability Certificates in prescribed forma

You are therefore, directed that above information/documents are carefully aploaded online as well as provided in hard copies to this office immediately.

The FC web portal link is hereby transferred to you for further transfer to DCF.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA)

Copy to the:

- **1.** Deputy Conservator of Forests, Shimoga Wildlife Division for information and further necessary action as above.
- 2. Deputy General Manager, Jio Digital Fiber Private Limited, No.51, RMZ Icon, Palace Cross Road, Vasanth Nagar, Bengaluru 560 052 for information.

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