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दिनांक: 19/01/2023

प्रति,

प्रधान सचिव (वन)
मध्यप्रदेश शासन,
वल्लभ भवन, भोपाल ।

विषय: सिंगरौली जिले के अन्तर्गत वनमण्डल सिंगरौली में 400 के.व्ही. एम./सी. विन्ध्याचल-सतना 1,2,3, एवं 4 के पारेषण लाईन निर्माण एवं 400 के.व्ही. डी./सी. विन्ध्याचल/ सासन-रीवा सतना डबल सर्किट पारेषण लाईन (shifting of previous approved existing lines) के निर्माण हेतु 84.617 हेक्टेयर आरक्षित एवं संरक्षित वनभूमि उप महाप्रबंधक, पावर ग्रिड कार्पोरेशन ऑफ इण्डिया लिमिटेड को उपयोग पर देने बाबत ।

Sir,

This refers to letter No. F-4/52/2022/10-11/1337 dated 18/04/22 and even letter No. 4212 dated 12/12/22 of PCCF(LM) and Nodal Officer, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

After due consideration of the proposal of the State Government and on the decision of Regional Empowered Committee in its 8th meeting of 2022 on 22/12/2022, the "in-principle approval" of Central Government, is hereby conveyed for diversion of 84.617 ha Reserved & Protected Forest land for laying of 400 KV M/C Vindhychal-Satna 1,2,3 & 4 transmission line and 400 KV D/C Vindhychal-Sasan-Rewa transmission line (shifting of previous approved existing lines) in favour of Dy. General Manager, Power Grid Corporation of India Limited in Singrauli District of Madhya Pradesh, subject to the following conditions and stipulations:

A: Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.

- (1) The cost of compensatory afforestation on the CA land (170.00 ha DFL) at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme (including the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars etc. as required for securing the land against encroachment) shall be deposited in advance with the State Forest Department by the project authority. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.
- (2) The State Government shall charge the Net Present Value (NPV) for the 84.617 ha forest area to be diverted under this proposal from the User Agency as per orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 30/10/2002, 01/08/2003, 28/03/2008, 24/04/2008 and 09/05/2008 in IA No. 566 in WP (C) No. 202/1995 and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide letters No. 5-1/1998-FC (Pt.II) dated 18/09/2003, as well as letter No. 5-2/2006-FC dated 03/10/2006 and 5-3/2007-FC dated 05/02/2009, 5-3/2011-FC (Vol-II) dated 06/01/2022.

- (3) a) **The User Agency in consultation with the State Forest Department shall prepare a detailed scheme for creation and maintenance of plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) under the transmission line.**
 b) **The User Agency shall pay the cost of such plantation in advance.**
 c) **Cost of the same shall be transferred to CAMPA fund via online/ e.portal.**
- (4) All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred / deposited to CAMPA fund only through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- (5) The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.
- (6) **The State Forest Department shall submit an undertaking about non-feasibility of laying proposed transmission line in the surrounding revenue area due to allotment of Coal Blocks therein.**
- (7) **The user agency shall submit actual tree felling details at the time of Stage-II approval.**
- (8) **The user agency shall submit NOC from competent Railway Authority at the time of Stage-II approval.**
- (9) The KML files of diverted area and CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details prior to Stage-II approval.
- (10) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of Comprehensive Guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.
- (11) The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).
- (12) If the State Forest Department issues working permission, a copy of the same shall be submitted to this office.

B: Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the User Agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:

- (1) Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.
- (2) Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the Forest Department over **170.00 ha degraded forest land** at the cost of the user agency. As far as possible, a mixture of local native species shall be planted and monoculture of any species, especially non-native species should be avoided. Details of CA is as following :

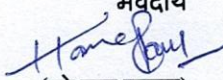
| S. No. | Van Surksha Samiti | Tehsil | District | Survey No. | Area (Ha) |
|--------------|--------------------|--------|-----------|------------|---------------|
| 1 | Podidol | Sarai | Singrauli | RF-333 | 60.00 |
| 2 | Gora | Sarai | Singrauli | RF-348 | 60.00 |
| 3 | Aodgadhi | Mada | Singrauli | RF-252 | 50.00 |
| TOTAL | | | | | 170.00 |

- (3) Additional amount of NPV of the diverted forest land, if any, becoming due after finalization of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on receipt of the report from the Expert Committee, shall also be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
- (4) The User Agency should fence the base of the tower by Chain Link Fencing to prevent any electrocution of Elephant/ Wild Animals in forest area at their own cost. The concerned DCF shall inspect the area and should ensure that the specific towers have been properly fenced.

- (5) The User Agency shall comply with the guideline for laying transmission lines through forest as per Chapter 10 of FCA, 1980 Handbook, 2019.
- (6) The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Dy. Conservator of Forest.
- (7) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government.
- (8) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- (9) The User Agency shall provide alternate fuels preferably LPG to the labourers and the staff working at the site, so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.
- (10) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (11) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of the project life.
- (12) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (13) The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department, or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (14) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of all the Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order(s) and National Green Tribunal Order(s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time in force, as applicable to the project.
- (15) Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forest & wildlife shall be complied.

After receipt of the compliance report regarding fulfillment of the conditions as stipulated above, from the State Government, formal approval will be issued in this regard under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

This has been issued with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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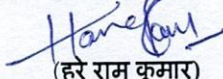
प्रतिलिपि:

1. वन महानिरीक्षक(एफसी), पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इंदिरा पर्यावरण भवन, नई दिल्ली ।
2. प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक(भू-प्रबंध) एवं नोडल अधिकारी, वन विभाग, सतपुडा भवन, भोपाल ।
3. वनमण्डलाधिकारी, सामान्य वनमण्डल, सिंगरौली, जिला-सिंगरौली, मध्यप्रदेश ।
4. उप महाप्रबंधक, पावरग्रिड कार्पोरेशन ऑफ इण्डिया लिमिटेड, विन्ध्याचल प.क्षे.-II, सिंगरौली, मध्यप्रदेश ।
5. आदेश पत्रावली ।

Signed by Hare Ram Kumar

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Reason: Approved

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