



Government of India

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Regional Office, Chandigarh



Online Proposal No.: **FP/HR/TRANS/416694/2023**

Dated: **03/03/2024**



To,

The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests),
Government of Haryana, Civil Secretariat,
Chandigarh-160001

Subject: **Diversion of 16.0591 Ha. (Mahendergarh 4.8914 Ha., Rewari 2.2428 Ha. & Jhajjar 8.9249 Ha.) of forest land in favour of Deputy General Manager Power Grid Narela Transmission Ltd. (100% wholly owned subsidiary of Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd.) for Construction 765kv D/C Khetri Narela transmission line (Hexa AL59), under Forest Division and Distt. Mahendergarh, Rewari & Jhajjar Haryana. (Online Proposal No. FP/HR/TRANS/416694/2023)-regarding.**
Ref: 1. State Government's Stage-I Compliance report FCA/2945 dated 23.02.2024.

Sir/Madam,

Kindly refer to the subject cited above and letter under reference for seeking prior approval in accordance with section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of **16.0591 ha.** of forest land for non-forestry purpose. In this proposal, *In-principle* approval was granted by this office's letter of even number dated **31.01.2024**, whose compliance report was received through State Government's Stage-I Compliance report FCA/2945 dated 23.02.2024. After careful examination of the received compliance, I am directed to convey **Final Approval** for the above-mentioned project, subject to the following conditions:

1. General Conditions

S. No	Conditions
1.1	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.2. The number of trees/plants to be felled shall not in any way exceed the number indicated in the proposal and no harm shall be done to the wildlife during felling of trees. The felling of trees/plants will be carried out under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the amount spent on felling of trees/plants will be deposited by the user agency to the State Forest Department.

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. As per the proposed CA Scheme, Compensatory afforestation (CA) and Additional Compensatory afforestation shall be taken up by the State Forest Department over degraded forest land C-1, R-70 Nada Beat, Panchkula Block, Panchkula against diversion in Mahendergarh Forest Division, C-3, R-70 chowki Beat, Panchkula Block, Panchkula & C-5, R-70 Burjkotian Beat, Burjkotian Block, Panchkula against diversion in Jhajjar Forest Division and C-6, R-70 Kolsu Beat, Burjkotian Block, Panchkula against diversion in Rewari Forest Division in Haryana at the cost of the user agency. The Plantation shall be done within one year from the date of issue of approval. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species shall be planted and monoculture of any species shall strictly be avoided. 4. The State Government shall upload the KML files of the degraded forest area accepted for raising compensatory afforestation in the E-Green watch portal of FSI, before handing over of forest land to the user agency. 5. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal. 6. The user agency shall pay additional amount of NPV as and when increased by the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court and the State Government will ensure that the increased amount is deposited. 7. No kind of damage will be done to the adjoining forest land. Simultaneously, all efforts will be made to save adjoining forest and forest land. 8. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land. 9. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel. 10. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost, as per the directions of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. 11. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall, under no circumstances, be transferred to any other agency, department, or person without approval of the Central Government. 12. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of Central Government. 13. Any other condition may be stipulated by this regional office from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife. 14. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable. 15. The initial permission will be given to this proposal for 99 years. After that the permission shall again be obtained from the Government of India. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favor of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less. 16. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as per para 1.16 of consolidated guideline and clarifications on Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, MoEF&CC.

2. Standard conditions

3. Specific Conditions

S. No	Conditions
3.1	<p>a. The User Agency shall ensure compliance of the measures of mitigation plan to avoid Electrocutation and collision of the birds. The Chief Wild Life Warden shall ensure monitoring of the compliance as per the approved mitigation plan.</p> <p>b. Width of right of way for the transmission line shall be limited to 67m;</p> <p>c. The user agency shall install circuit breakers at suitable places besides maintain necessary ground clearance to prevent electrocution of wild animals;</p> <p>d. No approach road shall be constructed in the forest area for transportation of steel and other material required for the transmission line. As far as possible the User Agency shall use the existing road and the proposed RoW for the transportation of the material and in the event of non-availability of such facilities, the User Agency shall transport material manually without construction of any path.</p>
3.2	<p>The Ministry may suspend/cancel this approval if the implementation of any of the above conditions is not satisfactory. The State Government will ensure compliance of these conditions through the Forest Department.</p>

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Your's faithfully

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