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क्रमांक 6-एमपीआर 011/2022-बीएचओ/ प्रति.

दिनांक :

/08/2023.

01/09/2023

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

विषय: सिंगरौली जिले के अनतर्गत 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 ग्रिंड कार्पोरेशन ऑफ इण्डिया लिमिटेड को उपयोग पर देने बाबत (FP/MP/TRANS/144947/2021)।

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the PCCF (LM), M.P. letter No. F-4/52/2022/10-11/1337 dated 18/04/2022 and even letter No. 4212 dated 12/12/2022 wherein prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change for diversion of 84.617 ha Reserved & Protected Forest land for laying of 400 KV M/C Vindhyachal-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 was sought in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. After due consideration of the proposal of the State Government, the 'in-principle' approval of the Central Government for diversion of the said forest land was accorded vide this office letter of even number dated 19/01/2023 subject to fulfilment of certain conditions. The State Govt. of Madhya Pradesh vide their letter No. F-4/52/2022/10-11/1397 dated 06/04/2023, even letter No. 3040 dated 10/07/2023, have furnished compliance report in respect of the relevant conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval for grant of final approval.

In this connection, on the basis of the compliance report under reference and confirmation of receipt of compensatory levies from National Authority of CAMPA online e.portal dated 24/02/2023 the **final approval** of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is hereby accorded for diversion of 84.617 ha Reserved & Protected Forest land for laying of 400 KV M/C Vindhyachal-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 following conditions and stipulations:-

- (1) Legal status of the forest land diverted shall remain unchanged.
- (2) Compensatory afforestation: 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 follows:-

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

- (3) The State Government shall ensure that compliance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 has been completed in accordance with the relevant Rules and Guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC, GoI in this regard.
- (4) 10 % amount of the supervision charges related to the proposal has been deposited in the revenue head of the State Government, which shall be deposited in the Adhoc-CAMPA, New Delhi.
- (5) User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees up to 55 to 60 % of the total 12427 trees present or minimum number in the diverted forest land and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department or the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department and State Forest Department shall undertake the fellings.
- (6) The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying of transmission lines through forest as per Chapter 10 of FCA, 1980 Handbook, 2019.
- (7) The State Forest Department shall create and maintain plantation of dwarf species (preferably medicinal plants) under the transmission line as per the scheme.
- (8) The user agency at its cost shall provide bird deflectors, which are to be fixed on upper conductor of transmission line at suitable intervals to avoid bird hits.
- (9) The User Agency shall comply with the guidelines for laying transmission lines through forest areas issued by Ministry vide letter no. 7-25/2012-FC dated 05/05/2014 & 19/11/2014.
- (10) The User Agency should fence the base of the towers by chain link fence to prevent any electrocution of Elephant/Wild animals in forest area at their own cost. The concerned DFO shall inspect the area and ensure that the towers are fenced.
- (11) 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.
- (12) Layout plan of the proposed diversion of the forest land shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (13) No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
- (14) No labour camp shall be established inside the forest land.
- (15) The User Agency shall provide alternate fuels preferably LPG to the labourers and staff working at the site so as to prevent any damage and pressure on the nearby forests.
- (16) The diverted forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
- (17) The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the project life.

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- (18) The diverted forest land shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
- (19) All conditions of CWLW/SBWL/NBWL shall be strictly complied, wherever applicable.
- (20) 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 being in force, as applicable to the project.
- (21) All the conditions of In-principle approval dated 19/01/2023 shall be strictly complied.
- (22) Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as per the MoEF&CC Guideline F. No. 11-42/2017-FC dt 29/01/2018.
- (23) 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 forests and wildlife.

As has been mentioned at Para-2 of the Stage-II approval, this approval for diversion of forest land is subject to fulfillment of the stipulated conditions mentioned in this approval letter. Therefore, in the event of non-compliance of any of the conditions laid out in this approval letter, the Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change may withdraw the said approval for diversion of the forest land and stop all the non-forest activity being carried out in the forest land besides initiating legal action as per provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

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

भवदीय

तकनीकी अधिकारी(वानिकी)

## प्रतिलिपि :

- 1. वन महानिरीक्षक(एफसी), पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इंदिरा पर्यावरण भवन, नई दिल्ली।
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5. आदेश पत्रावली ।

Signed by Hare Ram Kumar Date: 01-09-2023 15:03:20

Reason: Approved

तकनीकी अधिकारी(वानिव