

No: FCA-10-06/14 /10610-12/14-15
Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Gujarat State

Aryanbhavan, Near Ch-3 Circle,
Opp. Sent Xeviours School,
Sector-10-A, A-Wing, 3rd Floor,
Gandhinagar Date: 25/02/2015

Copy of the GoI letter No: 6-8C/037/2003-FCW/194, Dated: 19/02/2015.

Forwarded to the
Chief Conservator of Forests, Gandhinagar
Deputy Conservator of Forests, Banaskantha, Palanpur
for information and early compliance.

A demand note should be given to the User Agency for recovery of Compensatory Afforestation fund and User Agency should be advised to arrange to directly deposit/credit the amount (NET of any transaction/transfer charges) into.

State Bank of India, Udhog Bhavan Branch Gandhinagar


Account No: 66013423126

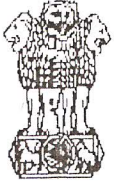
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in the name of: NODAL OFFICER FCA GUJARAT

The user agency may be advised to furnish a copy of the Bank counterfoil directly to this office also for information. No cheques, demand drafts or other bank instruments should be sent to this office. A clear certified photocopy of the counterfoil of the corresponding Bank Slip along with a copy of the demand note be sent to this office clearly indicating the amounts demanded towards Compensatory Afforestation.

✓ **Copy to :** The Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Construction Office, 33 & 281, Mukatanand Nagar, Nr. Gopalpura Bypass, Jaipur-302018 (Rajsthan). The User Agency is advised to collect the demand notes from the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests and deposit the required amount in the account of Nodal Officer, Gujarat State and send a copy of counterfoil of the challan of deposit to this office without fail. Without the information of payment, it will not be possible to transfer the amount deposited by the User Agency to Ad-hoc CAMPA fund, New Delhi, which will delay further compliance to GoI.


(A.K.Saxena)
Nodal Officer for
Forest Conservation Act
Gujarat State, Gandhinagar



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No.6-8C/037/2003-FCW/194

Dt. 19/02/2015

To,

The Principal Secretary,
Forest & Environment Department,
Govt. of Gujarat,
Block No. 14, 8th Floor,
New Schivalaya Gandhinagar,
(Gujarat).

Add. Ptl. C. C. F.
Unit
G. S. Gandhinagar
Invoice No. 1132
Date 24-2-15
File No. 29(B)

Sub: Re-diversion of 5.03 ha Reserved Forest land for laying of 25 dia underground crude oil Pipeline in favour of Indian Oil Corporation Limited in Banaskantha district of Gujarat.

Ref: This office final approval letter No. 8C/37/2003-FCW/418 dated 24/2/2004

Sir,

I am directed to invite a reference to your letter No. FCA-1014/10-06/14/S.F-52/F dated 28/11/2014 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section - 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

After consideration of the proposal of the State Government the undersigned, on behalf of the Central Government, conveys in-principle approval for re-diversion of 5.03 ha Reserved Forest land for laying of 25 dia underground crude oil Pipeline in favour of Indian Oil Corporation Limited in Banaskantha district subject to the following terms and conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land shall remain unchanged.

2. NPV:

a) The State Government shall charge 10% of the prevailing Net Present Value rates from the user agency.

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- b) Additional amount of the 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 be charged by the State Government from the User Agency. The User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to this effect.
3. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred to the Ad-hoc Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management & Planning Agency(CAMPA) in Saving Bank A/c No. SB 01025208 of Corporation Bank, Lodhi Complex, New Delhi- 110003.
 4. User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986.
 5. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
 6. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
 7. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
 8. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agencies, department or person without prior approval of Central Government.
 9. The User Agency shall provide alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the forest areas.
 10. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, forward and back bearing and distance from pillar to pillar.
 11. The User Agency shall ensure that because of this project, no damage is caused to the flora and fauna.
 12. The user agency has submitted the undertaking to work within 18 meters (RoW) width of existing diverted land for new crude oil pipeline.
 13. The user agency shall obtain clearance of National Board of Wildlife under Wildlife Protection Act before the formal approval under Forest Conservation Act, 1980.


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14. The pipeline shall be laid at least one meter below the ground level.
15. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the Central Government.
16. Relevant directions contained in various notifications issued by the Central Government under the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 made there under and amended from time to time regarding use of fly ash shall be fully complied with.
17. It will be the responsibility of the User Agency to ensure that the labourers and staff engaged in construction activity do not damage forest flora and fauna.
18. Muck disposal, if required, shall be taken up as per the scheme approved by the Forest Department.
19. Soil conservation measures, if required, shall be taken up by the user agency.
20. Proposed labour camps outside the forest area, are to be dismantled and removed. The labourers shall be sent back immediately after the completion of the work.
21. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
22. Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.
23. The User Agency shall submit six monthly compliance report as on 1st January and 1st July of every year to this office as well as to the Nodal Officer of the State.
24. The State Government shall monitor compliance of conditions of Forest Clearance and shall submit in this regard yearly report as on 31st December of every year to the Regional Office.
25. The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance of provisions of the all Acts, rules, regulations and guidelines for the time being in force as applicable to the project.


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26. In view of the Government of India guideline letter NO. 11-306/2014-FC dated 08/08/2014 this in-principle approval may be deemed as the working permission for commencement of work subject to the condition that funds towards NPV etc are realised from the User Agency by the State Forest Department and deposited in CAMPA account.

After receipt of compliance report on fulfillment of the condition No 2, 3 & 13 from the State Government, proposal will be considered for final approval under Section – 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 by this office.

The order for transfer of forest land to user agency shall not be issued by the State Government till formal approval for diversion of forest land is issued by this office.

Yours faithfully,

(S.K. Bhandari)
Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)

Copy to :-

1. Director (ROHQ), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests and Climate Change, Agni, C-wing, 3rd Floor, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi – 110003.
2. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest and Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation) Act, Aranya Bhavan, Block No. A/3, Near "Ch" Circle, Opposite St. Xaviers High School, Sector-10A, Gandhinagar (Gujarat).
3. The Dy. Conservator of Forests, Banaskantha, Palanpur, District-Banaskantha, Gujarat.
4. The Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Construction Office, 33 & 281, Mukatanand Nagar, Nr. Gopalpura Bypass, Jaipur-302018 (Rajasthan)
5. Order file

(S.K. Bhandari)
Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)

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