Government of India
Ministry of Environment and Forests
(Deptt. of Environment, Forests and Wildlife)

New Delhi, dated the 6th April, 1989.

To

The Secretary,
Forest Department,
Government of Gujarat,
Gandhinagar.

Subject: Release of 21.958 ha. of forest land for Petroleum Product pipeline for Kandla to Bhatinda.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. FCA 1088/3155-V3 dated 9.1.89 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal has been examined by the Advisory Committee constituted by the Central Government under Section 3 of the aforesaid Act.

2. After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government and on the basis of the recommendation of the above mentioned Advisory Committee, the Central Government hereby conveys its approval under Section 2 of the Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 for release of 21.958 ha. of forest land for Petroleum Product pipeline from Kandla to Bhatinda passing through Gujarat State subject to the condition that the compensatory afforestation in 26.6 ha. of non-forest area, as, identified, will be raised at the cost of the project and the status of the forest will remain unchamged.

Yours faithfully,

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(KHAZAN SINGH)

Assistant Inspector General of Forest