Forest Land- Gadchiroli

Diversion of 1.2729 ha. Forest Land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the Road in RoW of SH-382, ODR-65, ODR-21 and VR-125 from Arenda to Pirimili to Yerminar route in Aheri Tehsil of Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

Government of Maharashtra Revenue and Forest Department Government Order No.: FLD-36A23/C.R.115/F-10 Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032. Date: 10.09.2024

Ref.:

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Gadchiroli/ID-420475/70/2023-24, dt.06.04.2023.
- 2) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government Order No. FLD-36A23/C.R.115/F-10, dt. 19.05.2023.
- 3) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-420475/Gadchiroli/1095, dt.02.08.2024.

Order:

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a proposal to the State Government, which was received from M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune for 1.2729 ha. Forest Land under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the Road in RoW of SH-382, ODR-65, ODR-21 and VR-125 from Arenda to Pirimili to Yerminar route in Aheri Tehsil of Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, Government of Maharashtra after due consideration, vide its order under reference No. 2 accorded 'in-principle' approval with certain conditions to above proposal for diversion of 1.2729 ha. Forest land under section 2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide letters under reference No.3 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of Maharashtra;

NOW, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred to State Government under general approval given vide MoEF&CC, Government of India's Handbook of Guidelines for effective and transparent implementation of the provisions of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 [Chapter-4, Para-4.2], Government

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of Maharashtra is pleased to grant **Final Approval** for Diversion of 1.2729 ha. Forest Land.

Therefore, the Government of Maharashtra directs that 1.2729 ha. Forest Land consisting of Reserved Forest & Protected Forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No.1 and mentioned in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune for laying of underground Optical Fiber Cable along the Road in RoW of SH-382, ODR-65, ODR-21 and VR-125 from Arenda to Pirimili to Yerminar route in Aheri Tehsil of Dist. Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

- 1. The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the Order dated 19.05.2023.
- 2. For ensuring the compliances and for monitoring the duly prescribed activities and also to carry out other statuary duties, user agency shall facilitate unhindered access/entry in the area to the local forest Officer. In case the user agency prohibits the free access or create hindrances, the permission given under this Order for the diversion of forest area for the non-forest use shall be withdrawn.
- 3. The Chief Conservator of Forests / Deputy Conservator of Forests will reconfirm that compliances under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 are not needed for the project.
- 4. The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the above mentioned 'in-principle' and in this order of Government of Maharashtra. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Gadchiroli shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency. CCF will furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
- 5. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Government of Maharashtra's order dated 19.05.2023, in this order and Rules and Guidelines made / issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
- 6. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the concerned Chief Conservator of Forests / Deputy Conservator of Forests shall report through the State Government to Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in the guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

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SCHEDULE

Sr. No.	Beat	Village Name	New Comp. No.	Survey No. / Gut No.	Forest Area			
					L. in Mtr.	W. in Mtr.	Area in Ha.	Legal status
1	Arenda	Arenda	703	2/1/1	1840	0.45	0.0828	RF
2	Pirmili	Pirmili	1354	112	950	0.45	0.0428	PF
3	Choudamapalli	Pirmili	697	75, 97	1654	0.45	0.0744	PF
4	Palle	Palle S	713, 719, 718	47	5541	0.45	0.2493	RF
5	Yeramnar	Yeramnar	725	238	660	0.45	0.0297	RF
6	kurumpalli	Yeramnar	125	-	1221	0.45	0.0549	RF
7	kurumpalli	Rapelli	1595	25	3045	0.45	0.1370	RF
8	kurumpalli	Rapelli	1596	93	630	0.45	0.0284	RF
9	kurumpalli	kurumpalli	745	322, 341	1237	0.45	0.0557	RF
10	Pirmili	Pirmili	1354	112	166	0.45	0.0075	PF
11	Chaudampalli	Chaudampalli	708, 709	45	2750	0.45	0.1238	RF
12	Yerminar	Yerminar	726	146	910	0.45	0.0410	RF
13	Yerminar	Yerminar	1401, 1407	114, 103, 74, 46,	2472	0.45	0.1112	PF
14	Yerminar	Yerminar	728 B	46	2873	0.45	0.1293	PF
15	Gurja Kh.	Gurja Kh.	737	33	108	0.45	0.0049	RF
16	Yerminar	Yerminar	728 B, 1401	74	1240	0.45	0.0558	RF
17	Gurja Kh	Yerminar	736	-	990	0.45	0.0446	RF
			Total				1.2729	

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Copy to:

- 1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
- 3. Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
- 4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur

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- 5. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
- 6. APCCF& Chief Executive Officer (Maha-CAMPA), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
- 7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
- 8. Collector, Gadchiroli.
- 9. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli.
- 10. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli.
- 11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Allapalli Forest Division, Allapalli.
- 12. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune.
- 13. Select File-F-10
 - I. Collector- Gadchiroli, Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, Gadchiroli and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Allapalli Forest Division, Allapalli are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.
 - II. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd., Pune is hereby directed that they should publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No.etc. along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the State Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Gadchiroli & Deputy Conservator of Forests, Allapalli Forest Division, Allapalli.
- III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general