

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

Ref.No.13470/2019/FCA-4
Dated:07.08.2021.

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force),
Telangana, "Aranya Bhavan",
Saifabad, Hyderabad – 500 004.

Smt. R.Sobha, I.F.S.,
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

Sub:- TSFD – F(C) Act, 1980 – Diversion of **6.7076 Ha** of forest land in Shamshabad division for Erection of 400 kv overhead DC line from Kethireddipally 400 kv SS to 400 kv Rayadurg GIS (TSPA junction to ORR junction) along outer side of ORR in favour of Executive Engineer, 400KV/Const-II , Metro, TS TRANSCO, Hyderabad– **Stage-I approval accorded– Working Permission Issued** - Regarding.

Ref:- 1. GoI, MoEF& CC, IRO, Hyderabad F.No.4-TSC180/2021-HYD/091 Dt. 13.05.2021.
2. PCCF Rc.No.13470/2019/FCA-4 Dt.14.05.2021.
3. APCCF/CF, Rangareddy Circle Rc.No.1219/2019-M2, Dt:26.07.2021.
4. EE,400KV, Const-II, Metro,TS,TRANSCO, Hyderabad, Lr.No. EE/400KV/Const-II/Metro/Hyd/F.Rayadurgline/D.No.412/21, Dt.27.07.2021.

Vide ref 1st cited, the GOI, MoEF&CC, Integrated Regional Office, Hyderabad has accorded in-principle (Stage-I) approval for diversion of 6.7076 Ha of forest land in Shamshabad division for Erection of 400 kv overhead DC line from Kethireddipally 400 kv SS to 400 kv Rayadurg GIS (TSPA junction to ORR junction) along outer side of ORR in favour of Executive Engineer,400KV/Const-II , Metro, TS TRANSCO, Hyderabad subject to certain conditions stipulated therein and requested to furnish the compliance report on the conditions stipulated therein; which has been communicated to concerned for compliance in ref 2nd cited.

Vide ref 4th cited, the Executive Engineer, 400KV, Const-II, Metro, TS,TRANSCO, Hyderabad has informed that the condition wise compliance report has been submitted to the Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad and as per the Stage-I communication by this office, the paper notification has been published in Telugu and English papers and the same has been submitted to local bodies, municipal bodies and Gram Panchayaths and requested for working permission for commencing the works in the forest area.

Further, as per the demand notice issued by the Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad the necessary funds towards the compensatory levies such as Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value, Dwarf species plantation under the RoW of the Transmission line etc., for an amount of **Rs.2,52,52,295/-** has been deposited into the Adhoc CAMPA account of Telangana by generating the challan in the Ministry's portal.

Vide ref 3rd cited, the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Rangareddy has submitted the condition wise compliance report for the conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval for the said proposal and informed that all the conditions are complied with along with the undertakings and duly confirming the deposit for an amount of **Rs.15,26,100/-** towards construction of boundary pillars, extraction of tree growth, etc. into the PD account of Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad along with the counter foils.

In this regard, it is informed that Ministry of Environment and Forests & Climate Change (MoEF& CC), Government of India in Handbook of F(C)Act, 1980, F(C)Rules, 2003, Guidelines & Clarifications in F.No.5-2/2017-FC, Dt.28.03.2019 and F.No.11-306/2014-FC(pt.), Dt.28.08.2015 and amendments issued therein has conveyed guidelines about the procedure for grant of permission for tree cutting and commencement of work of a linear project in forest land for a period of one year. The said guideline states that they have been issued to facilitate speedy execution of projects involving linear diversion of forest land such

as laying of new roads, widening of existing highways, transmission lines, water supply lines, optical fiber cabling, railway lines etc., in which the in-principle (Stage-I) approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is accorded. Such orders shall be passed only after full realization of funds for Compensatory Afforestation, Net Present Value (NPV), wildlife conservation plan, plantation of dwarf species of medicinal plants, and all such other compensatory levies, specified in the Stage I (in-principle) approval from the UA, and where ever applicable, transfer and mutation of non-forest/ revenue forest land in favour of State Forest Department.

Further, the State Government vide Memo No.3983/For.I(1)/2016-2,Dt.15.10.2016 has authorized the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) to issue working permission to the User Agency for tree cutting and commencement of work of linear projects, for a period of one year, subject to the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval and their compliance, which is in accordance with the guidelines issued by Ministry of Environment and Forests & Climate Change, Government of India in F.No.11-306/2014 - FC(pt.), dt.28.08.2015.

In this regard, it is informed that the following compensatory levies (amount in Rs.) have been deposited by UA, which are detailed below:

C. No	Component	Shamshabad Division (in Rs.)	Remarks
3.	Compensatory Afforestation	1,73,61,300	Deposited in Adhoc CAMPA account of Telangana against the project through e-payment mode by generating the challan in the ministry's portal. Same is confirmed as paid in the ministry's portal.
7.	Raising of Dwarf species under Transmission line RoW	25,04,792	
5.	Net Present Value	53,86,203	
	Total	2,52,52,295	
2.	Construction of Boundary Pillars	7,76,100	Deposited into PD account of FDO, Shamshabad. Same has been confirmed vide ref 3 rd cited.
9.	Extraction of Tree Growth	7,50,000	
	Total	15,26,100	

The request of the **Executive Engineer, 400KV, Const-II, Metro,TS,TRANSCO, Hyderabad** is examined in exercise of the powers delegated to the undersigned by the State Government & with reference to Handbook of F(C)Act, 1980, F(C)Rules, 2003, Guidelines & Clarifications in F.No.5-2/2017-FC, Dt.28.03.2019 and F.No.11-306/2014-FC(pt.), Dt.28.08.2015 and amendments issued therein issued by Ministry of Environment and Forests & Climate Change (MoEF& CC), Government of India, and **working permission is hereby accorded in favour of TSTRANSCO for commencement of work in the forest land proposed to be diverted from the date of entering into agreement with the Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad for a period of one year, subject to the following conditions:**

1. The **Executive Engineer, 400KV, Const-II, Metro, TS,TRANSCO, Hyderabad** (User Agency) shall report to the **Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad** and obtain further permission from him before starting the work and works should be carried out under the supervision of the **Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad**.
2. The User Agency shall publish the working permission now granted in verbatim language along with the conditions and safe- guards imposed by the Central Government in Stage-I approval in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language in Telugu news paper and the other in English language in English news paper, so as to make people aware of the permission granted to the project proponent for use of forest land for non-forest purposes.(C.No. vii of F.No. 11-306/2014 - FC(pt) dt: 28.08.2015) .
3. The Authorized Signatory of User Agency shall enter into an agreement with the concerned **Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad** / District Forest Officer, Rangareddy / Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Rangareddy agreeing to perform all conditions as -stipulated in Stage-I approval orders and as per the para 11.2 of guidelines of the Hand book issued by the GoI, MoEF& CC, New Delhi on

28.03.2019 on F(C)Act, 1980, F(C)Rules, 2003, Guidelines & Clarifications as well as covering letters, Part II/III/IV/V of Forest Department, inspection note and obtain further permission from the concerned **Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad** for commencement of the works.

4. The copies of the Forest Clearance should also be submitted to the Heads of local bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies by the User Agency in addition to the relevant offices of the Government who in turn has to display the same in 30 days.(C.No. vii of F.No. 11-306/2014 - FC(pt) dt: 28.08.2015).
5. The Forest Department shall dispose all the appeals filed against the order of Deemed Permission issued by the PCCF(HoFF). (C.No. v & vi of F.No. 11-306/2014 - FC(pt) dt: 28.08.2015).
6. The User Agency shall agree, bind and undertake to comply any other conditions that may be imposed from time to time by the MoEF& CC, GoI, State Government and PCCF (HoFF) in the interest of conservation, protection & development of forests.
7. The working permission issued is valid upto a period of one year from the date of issue of permission by the concerned Forest Divisional Officers. If the User Agency fails to comply with the conditions stipulated in Stage-I approval within stipulated time and obtain final Stage-II clearance, for further extension of working permission they should approach MoEF& CC, GoI.
8. The User Agency shall agree, bind and declare that the forest department shall fell all standing trees if any in the forest area being diverted for the project by the forest department itself and the user agency shall undertake not to touch or fell such trees in any manner.
9. The works should be carried out without any scope for violations and guidelines envisaged under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, and other Forest & relevant Acts, Rules and Guidelines in force.
10. Any other conditions imposed by the concerned the **Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad** / District Forest Officer, Rangareddy / Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Rangareddy during execution of work in the interest of protection of Forests shall be carried out at the project cost.
11. The conditions stipulated in Handbook of F(C)Act, 1980, F(C)Rules, 2003, Guidelines & Clarifications in F.No.5-2/2017-FC, Dt.28.03.2019 and F.No.11-306/2014-FC(pt.), Dt.28.08.2015 and amendments issued therein, GoI, MoEF& CC, IRO, Hyderabad F.No.4-TSC180/2021-HYD/091 Dt. 13.05.2021, the Part I to V along with all connected documents like covering letters, undertakings, the inspection reports etc. shall be complied by the User Agency.

The Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad is requested to enter into agreement with User Agency for working permission and are permitted to take up Extraction of tree growth, Translocation of trees if any, Construction of boundary pillars, from the amount deposited in the CA PD account of DFO/FDO soon after entering into agreement for working permission. The works shall be included in APO 21-22 for CA PD account and reported in MPR of CA PD account.

Sd/-R.Sobha

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)

To

The Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad. It is requested to carryout construction of boundary pillars and extraction of tree growth and other works from the funds deposited into CA PD account of Forest Divisional Officer, Shamshabad and revise the APO of CA PD Account accordingly and report the expenditure in the Monthly Progress report.

Copy to the APCCF/Conservator of Forests, Rangareddy and the District Forest Officer, Rangareddy for information and necessary action.

Copy to the Chairman and Managing Director, TSTRANSCO, Hyderabad for favor of information.

Copy to the Executive Engineer, 400KV, Const-II, Metro, TS,TRANSCO, Hyderabad for information and necessary action.

Copy submitted to Spl.Chief Secretary to Government, Forests Department, Telangana, 4th floor, Aranya Bhawan, Saifabad, Hyderabad for favor of information.

Copy submitted to Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Regional Office (SEZ), Hyderabad, 3rd floor, Aranya Bhawan, Saifabad, Hyderabad with main office at 1st and 2nd Floor, Handloom Export Promotion Council, 34, Cathedral Garden Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai - 34 for favour of information.

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D. Subodh 9/8/2021
Superintendent.