



Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Forest, Environment & Ecology Department.
Civil Secretariat.

Subject: Use of 0.643 Ha. of forest land for conversion of existing over head HT/LT Network to underground cabling of power supply at Patnitop in Udhampur & Batote Forest Divisions by PDD.

- Reference:** i. Minutes of 117th Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) Meeting held on 15.10.2019 under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary (Chairman FAC) issued by Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer vide No. PCCF/FCA/2996-Part-I/4468-97 dated 17.10.2019.
- ii. State Administrative Council Decision No. 259/22/2019 dated 22.10.2019 conveyed by the General Administration Department.
- iii. State Administrative Council Decision No. 189/19/2019 dated 30.07.2019 conveyed by General Administration Department.

Government Order No:- 378 -FST of 2019

Dated:- 25 -10-2019

Sanction is hereby accorded to the use of 0.643 Ha. of forest land for conversion of existing over head HT/LT Network to underground cabling of power supply at Patnitop in Udhampur & Batote Forest Divisions by PDD with the following particulars and subject to the fulfillment of terms and conditions appearing herein after:-

Details of the Proposal:

1.	User Agency/Applicant	PDD
2.	Location	<u>Udhampur Forest Division</u> Comptt. : 94/D & 95/D Block : Kud Range : Dudu District : Udhampur <u>Batote Forest Division:</u> Comptt. : 9, 10a, 10b/Batote Block : Shivgarh Range : Batote District : Ramban
3.	Objective	To provide reliable power supply to Patnitop Tourist place.

4.	Salient Features of the project:					
I	Forest Land required			Udhampur = 0.472 Ha. Batote = 0.171 Ha. Total Forest land req. = 0.643 Ha.		
II	Forest land required for muck dumping site			Nil		
III	Total Forest land required			0.643 Ha		
5.	Number of Trees / Poles/ Saplings involved:				Nil	
6.	a	Whether the forest land proposed to be used for non-forest purpose forms part of a natural reserve, national park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve or forms part of the habitat of any endangered or threatened species of flora and fauna or any area lying in severely eroded catchment.			No	
	b	Whether the use of any forest land is for agriculture purposes or for the rehabilitation of displaced persons.			No	
	c	Whether the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests had certified that it has, considered all other alternatives and that no other alternative in circumstances are feasible and that the required area is the minimum needed for the purpose, and			Yes	
	d	Whether the department or authority requisitioning forest land for non-forest uses undertakes to provide at its own cost acquisition of an equivalent area and afforestation thereof.			Compensatory Afforestation not applicable as the area is less than one hectare. However, the user agency has undertaken to pay the NPV as per the Hon'ble Supreme court directions.	
7.	Net Present Value of forest land involved:					
	Comptt. No.	Area involved (Ha.)	Crop Density	Eco-Value Class	Rate/ Ha (Rs. In Lac)	Amount (Rs.)
	94/D & 95/D	0.472	V.Dense	VI	9.91	Rs. 4,67,752/-
	9, 10a, 10b/Batote	0.171	Dense	VI	8.97	Rs. 1,53,387/-
	Total	0.643				Rs.6,21,139/-
8.	Compensatory Afforestation:				Nil as area is less than 1 Ha.	

The User Agency shall pay the amount summarized below to the forest Department.

S.No.	Component	Amount
i.	Net Present Value	Rs.6,21,139/-
	Total	Rs.6,21,139/-

Terms and Conditions:-

1. The proprietary and legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The User Agency and /or its contractors will not bring any forest area under their use, other than the actual area/activity approved by the Government for the instant proposal. Any laxity or deviation on this account by the User Agency or its contractors will attract penal provisions of the relevant Acts/legal provisions.
3. The forest land shall be utilized only for the purpose for which it has been indented.
4. The forest land shall not be mortgaged, reassigned, leased or sub-leased by user agency in any manner what so ever to any other agency.
5. The User Agency shall pay the amount summarized above to the Forest Department.
6. The User Agency shall pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined as per decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
7. The User Agency shall construct retaining walls/breast walls on forest land and take all necessary steps to check soil erosion which may result due to proposed construction.
8. Any damage done to the forest by the User Agency or its contractors shall be charged from the User Agency @ 10 times as per the revised standard rate of 2018 issued vide the Government Order No: 10-FST of 2018 dated: 09.01.2018.
9. The forest land so allowed for use shall return to the Forest Department free of any encumbrances when it is no longer required by the User Agency.
10. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue before commissioning of the project.
11. An amount of **Rs.6,21,139/-** on account of NPV as detailed in summary table above shall be paid/credited through e-transaction into the account of the Chief Accounts Officer in the office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K under intimation to the Nodal Officer FCA..
12. The approval will remain valid for one year and in case the due amount against the project summarized above is not paid within the stipulated period, the approval shall be deemed to have been cancelled.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Manoj Kumar Dwivedi) IAS
Commissioner/Secretary to Government
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department.

No:- FST/Land/49/2019

Dated: 25.10.2019

Copy to the :-

1. Secretary to Government of India, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
2. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, PDD Department.
3. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K, Srinagar.
4. Managing Director, SFC, J&K, Srinagar.
5. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
6. CCF/Nodal Officer, FCA, Office of PCCF, J&K, Srinagar.
7. Chief Engineer PDD, J&K, Jammu.

8. Director Archives, Archeology & Museums, J&K, Srinagar.
9. OSD to Hon'ble Advisor (K) for information of Hon'ble Advisor
10. Pvt. Secy. to the Chief Secretary (Chairman FAC).
11. Pvt. Secy. to Commr./Secretary to Government, Forests, Env. & Ecology Department.
12. Pvt. Secy. to Secretary(Technical) Forests, Env. & Ecology Department.
13. Government Order file (w.2.s.c)/Stock file.

Under Secretary to Government
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department
28/10/2019

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests J&K, Jammu

No: PCCF/FCA/2464/ 5933-39

Dated: 29-11-2019

Copy of above forwarded for necessary action to the:

1. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
2. Chief Engineer, PDD Jammu.
3. Conservator of Forests, East Circle, Jammu.
4. Conservator of Forests, Chenab Circle, Doda.
5. Divisional Forest Officer, Udhampur Forest Division, Udhampur.
6. Divisional Forest Officer, Batote Forest Division, Batote.
7. Executive Engineer, Elect. Maint. And RE Division, Batote.

(Section Officer)
FCA Section