

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

Subject:- Use of 2.28 Ha. of forest land for laying of Optical Fibre Cable along Chattrro-Synthan State Highway in Marwah Forest Division by JIO Infocom Ltd.

- 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. PCCF/FCA/3000/1548-51 dated 01.06.2020 received from the office of PCCF, J&K.

Government Order No:- 69 -JK(FST) of 2020
Dated:- 11 -06-2020

Sanction is hereby accorded to the use of 2.28 Ha. of forest land for laying of Optical Fibre Cable along Chattrro-Synthan State Highway in Marwah Forest Division by JIO Infocom Ltd. with the following particulars and subject to the fulfillment of terms and conditions appearing herein after:-

Details of the Proposal:

1.	User Agency/Applicant	Jio Infocomm Ltd.				
2.	Location	Comptt. : 76,77abc, 78ab, 80ab &81 ab/Udil Range : Udil Division : Marwah Forest Division District : Kishtwar				
3.	Objective	Laying of optical fibre cable by M/S Reliance Jio Infocomm Ltd from Pehalgwara-Synthan Top along Kishtwar-Chatroo-Synthan (KCS) Highway				
4.	Salient Features of the project:					
	I	Total Length of Optical Fibre	38.00 Km			
	II	Length through Forest land	38000 Mtrs.			
	III	Width	0.60 Mtr			
	IV	Total forest area required	2.28 Ha			
5.	Net Present Value of forest land involved:					
	Comptt. No.	Area involved (Ha.)	Crop Density	Eco-Value Class	Rate/ Ha (Rs. In Lac)	Amount (Rs.)
	76,77abc, 78ab, 80ab &81 ab/Udil	2.28	Open	V	6.57	Rs.14,97,960/-
6.	a	Whether the forest land proposed to be used for non-forest purpose forms part of a natural reserve, national park, wildlife sanctuary,			No	

	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.	
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.	The User Agency requisitioning forest land for non-forest purpose has not undertaken to provide an equivalent area at its own cost of acquisition. It has however agreed to provide cost of afforestation on double the forest area. Further it has also undertaken to pay the NPV as per the Hon'ble Supreme court directions.
7.	No. of trees/poles/saplings involved	Nil
8.	Compensatory Afforestation for double the area involved i.e. 4.56 . @ Rs.1 lakh per Ha.	Rs. 4,56,000/-

The PCCF, J&K vide letter mentioned at reference (iii) has stated that the User Agency has deposited the amount in full as per the table mentioned below:-

S.No.	Component	Amount
i.	Net Present Value	Rs.14,97,960/-
ii.	Compensatory Afforestation	Rs. 4,56,000/-
	Total	Rs.19,53,960/-

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 additional amount of NPV, if so determined as per decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
6. 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.
7. The Optical Fiber shall be laid only on the Uphill side and the soil excavated for the purpose shall be properly compacted to its initial position to avoid erosion.
8. 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.
9. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue before commissioning of the project.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Sarita Chauhan) IAS

Commissioner/Secretary to Government
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department.

Dated: 11.06.2020

No:- FST/Land/49 /2019

Copy to the :-

01. Secretary to Government of India, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.
02. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), J&K, Jammu.
03. Joint Secretary (JK), Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt.
04. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, IT Department.
05. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
06. CCF/Nodal Officer, FCA, Office of PCCF, J&K, Jammu.
07. Director Archives, Archaeology & Museums, J&K, Jammu.
08. Special Secretary (Technical) Forest, Ecology & Env. Department
09. Manager Corporate Affairs, Reliance JIO Information Ltd. Jammu circle.
10. Pvt. Secy. to the Chief Secretary (Chairman FAC).
11. Pvt. Secy. to Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Forests, Ecology & Env. Department.
12. Government Order file (w.2.s.c)/Stock file.

(Vivek Phonsa) KAS

Deputy Secretary to Government
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department.

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

NO. PCCF/FCA/3000/1772-76

Dated 17-06-2020

Copy of above forwarded for necessary action to the.

1. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
2. Conservator of Forests, Chenab Circle, Doda.
3. Conservator of Forests, Working Plan Circle, Jammu.
4. Divisional Forest Officer, Marwah Forest Division, Marwah.
5. Manager, Corporate Affairs Reliance JIO Infocomm Ltd Jammu Circle.

(Sarvesh Rai), IFS,

Addl. Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA)

17/6/20