

Government of Jammu and Kashmir Forests, Environment & Ecology Department

Subject:-

Use of 7.35 Ha. of Surinsar-Mansar Wildlife Sanctuary area for laying of

132 KV D/C Hiranagar Battal Manwal Transmission Line in Udhampur

Forest Division by Power Development Department.

Reference:

(i) Minutes of the 92nd meeting of the Forestry Advisory Committee held on 01-03-2016, under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary J&K, issued by the Chief Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer (FCA), vide NO.PCCF/FCA/2065/170-91 dated 11-03-2016.

(ii) Cabinet Decision No. 16/02 /2016 dated 27 -04-2016.

(iii) Letter No. PCCF/FCA/2092/3523-27 dated 10 -12-2016 received from the Pr.Chief Conservator of Forests(HoFF) ,J&K,

Government Order No. -08-FST of 2017 D a t e d:- 30 -01-2017

Sanction is, hereby accorded to the use. of 7.35 Ha. of Surinsar-Mansar Wildlife Sanctuary area for laying of 132 KV D/C Hiranagar Battal Manwal Transmission Line in Udhampur Forest Division by Power Development Department. subject to the following terms and conditions:-

1.Proposal:-

1.	User Agency/Apr	olicant	Power De	evelopment	Departm	ent	
2.	Location:	Leg Service Control					
	Comptt.	Block		Forest Div	vision	Distr	ict
	7/JDR	Mansar (Surinsa Wildlife Sanc	STOCKED AND STREET STOCKED	Udham	pur	Udhan	
3.	Forest land involv	red		1	NIL		
4.	Whether the area part of the will Area	dlife Protected			volved is Sanctuar		Surinsa Distric
5.				/ = 2	32 KV T 2722 Mtr 27 Mtrs.		sion line
6.	Number of Trees				77 141115.		
		ecies	Trees	Poles	Sapl	ings	Total
	Broad leaved	3.2	29	1997	160	66	3692
	Khair, Kambal, Leucenea, Sissoo,			1 - 1 - 1			

7.	Net Present	Value;		1		
*	Comptt	Area involved (Ha.)	Crop Density	Eco- Value Class	Rate/ Ha (Rs. In Lac)	Amount (Rs.)
\	Block Mansar Co/7	7.35	Open	VI	34.95 (5 times)	Rs.2,56,88,250/
8.	Compensatory i.e, 14.70 Ha. hectare.					Rs.14,70,000/-
9.	Compensation	of Trees/Pole	es/ Saplings			Rs.7,99,900/-
10.	5% of the total	project cost				Rs.82,00,000/-

2. Terms and conditions:-

- 1. The proprietary and legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
- 2. The forest land shall be utilized only for the purpose for which it has been indented, that too under close supervision and periodical spot inspection of the concerned Forest Department Officers. The report of the concerned DCF shall be submitted to the FAC Cell in the Office of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K, with copies to the Administrative Department.
- 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.
- 4. The user Agency has made the payment in full of the amount summarized below, as reported by PCCF, vide letter mentioned at Ref.(iii).

i	Net Present Value (5 times)	Rs.2,56,88,250/-
ii	Compensatory Afforestation	Rs.14,70,000/-
iii	Compensation of Trees/Poles/ Saplings	Rs.7,99,900/-
iii	5% of total cost of the project	Rs.82,00,000/-
10 45	Total:-	Rs.3,61,58,150/-

- 5. 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.
- The User Agency will strictly abide by the terms and conditions imposed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India while sanctioning the case in IA No: 3675 dated 21.10.2013.
- 7. The User Agency shall pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
- The extraction of the trees /poles shall be done by the State Forest Corporation/ Divisional Forest Officer concerned on the basis of markings administratively approved by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu/ Kashmir. The cost of

- extraction and transportation shall be paid by the User Agency directly to the agency executing the extraction.
- 9. Extraction shall be done as per guidelines prescribed by the Ministry of Environment and Forests vide its no. F.No. 7-25/2012-FC dated 5th May 2014, which has been formulated in consultation with the Central Electricity Authority. Extraction will be carried out in following steps:
- a. Marking list for felling of trees will be prepared by the local forest officer (DFO concerned) for the felling of trees coming in the alignment of foundation of towers and along the strip, as per requirement of the User Agency. Fundamental rule for the marking will be to save maximum number of trees without compromising with the construction and maintenance of the transmission line and no tree will be felled/cut/pruned/lopped for purposes/project activities other than those approved/sanctioned.
- b. Forest area required for foundation of the towers and three meter strip below each conductor bundle, which would be marked by the User Agency on the ground, will be cleared first. Trees on this area will be felled, but after stringing work is completed, natural regeneration will be allowed to come up. Felling/pollarding/pruning of trees will be done with the permission of the DFO concerned, wherever necessary, to maintain the electrical clearance. One outer strip will be left clear to permit maintenance of transmission line.
- c. During construction of transmission line, pollarding/ pruning of trees located outside the width (three mt) of the strips, whose branches/parts infringe with conductor string, shall be permitted to the extent necessary, as may be decided by local forest officer.
- d. Pruning of trees for taking construction/ stringing equipments through existing approach/ access routes in forest areas shall also be permitted to the extent necessary, as may be decided by local forest officer. Construction of new approach/ access route will however, require prior approval under the Act.
- e. In the remaining width of right of way, trees will be felled or lopped to the extent required, for preventing electrical hazards by maintaining 4 meter of minimum clearance between conductor and trees.
- f. To avoid any hazard, felling/cutting/pruning of those trees which because of their height/location may fall on conductors shall also be permitted, as may be decided by the local forest officer.
- g. In the case of transmission lines to be constructed in hilly areas, where adequate clearance is already available, trees will not be cut except those minimum required to be cut for stringing of conductors.
- 10. Plantation of shrubs /bushes and small size tree species will be done all along the Transmission line on forest land. A separate project would be prepared by the Forest Department in consultation with the User Agency for the purpose which would be funded by the User Agency. Plantation will be done after the stringing of conductors has been completed.
- 11. 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 of the line in consultation with the Soil Conservation Department. The

- Forest Department shall take due cognizance under law for any laxity on this account on the part of the User Agency which might trigger soil erosion in the area.
- 12. Any damage done to the forest by the User Agency or its employees and contractors or people employed by them shall be charged from the User Agency @ 10 times the standard rate of 1992.
- 13. 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.
- 14. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue before commissioning of the project.
- 15. The user Agency shall comply with all the conditions laid down by the SBWL/ NBWL.

By order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Muhammad Afzal), IAS Commissioner/ Secretary to Government Forest, Env. & Ecology Department. Dated:-**30** -1-2017.

No:FST/Land/23/2016

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- Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Envrionment, Forests and Climate Change, New Delhi.
- 2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(HoFF) J&K, Jammu
- 3. Commissioner/ Secretary to Government, Power Development Department...
- 4. Secretary to Government, General Administration Department.
- PCCF,(Wildlife)J&K,Jammu. 5.
- 6 Director, Soil & Water Conservation Department, J&K, Jammu.
- Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu. 7.
- CCF/Nodal Officer, FCA, office of the PCCF, J&K, Jammu
- Director , Archives, Archaeology & Museums J&K, Jammu 9
- 10. Officer on Special Duty with the Hon'ble Minister for Forests, Env. & Ecology Department.
- 11. Special Assistant to HMOS, Forest, Environment & Ecology Department.
- 12. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary (Chairman FAC),
- Private Secretary to Commissioner/ Secretary to Government, Department of Forests, Environment & Ecology

14. P.A to Special (Technical) Department of Forest, Environment & Ecology

15. Government order file.

(Amreet Singh)KAS Deputy Secretary to Government Forest, Env. & Ecology Department.