



GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR <u>CIVIL SECRETARIAT, FOREST DEPARTMENT</u>

Subject: -

Proposal to allow use of 222.28 hectare of forest land for laying the 400 KV D/C Kishenpur – New Wanpoh (Qazigund) Transmission Line by PGCI Ltd. through the territorial Forest Divisions of Jammu, Udhampur, Batote, Ramban and Anantnag.

Reference:

Cabinet Decision No: - 119/14/2013 dated: 15-05-2013 (Agenda item No: 75.09 of 75th meeting of Forest Advisory Committee).

 Government Order No:
 249 - FST of 2013

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Sanction is hereby accorded to use of 222.28 hectare of forest land for laying the 400 KV D/C Kishenpur – New Wanpoh (Qazigund) Transmission Line by PGCI Ltd. in following Compartments: -

Forest Division	Range	Block	Compartment No's	
Jammu	Jindrah	Jindrah	4, 5, & 6/J	
Udhampur.	Udhampur	Gudhar Trishi		
	Dudu	Kud	88/D & 90/D	
	Panchari	Lander	4/P	
Anantnag	Qazigund	Tunnel	10/V, 11/V & 13a/V	

through the territorial Forest Divisions of Jammu, Udhampur, Batote, Ramban and Anantnag, subject to the following terms and conditions:-

1. The User Agency shall pay the following amount prior to execution of Project:-

	Total:-	₹ 24,01,49,820/-	
iv	Cost of transplantation of saplings	₹ 1,50,000/-	
iii	Compensatory Afforestation	₹ 3,11,19,200/-	
ii	Compensation of trees/poles	₹ 3,47,18,560/-	
i	Net Present Value	₹ 17,41,62,060/-	

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2. (a) Number of Trees / Poles/ Saplings involved:

Species	Trees (30-40cm & above)	Poles (20-30cm & 10-20cm)	Saplings (0-10cm)	Total
Chir	1612	145	147	1904
Kail	1248	500	2364	4112
Deodar	15	4	•	19
Fir/ Spruce	124	3	-	127
Broad-leaved Shisham, Amaltash, Amla, Kamila, Phalai, Kakoa, Kaimbal, Pansar, Simbal, Mango, Siris, Prunus, Champ, Oak, Kau, Robinia, Poplar, Aillanthus, Darenk, etc.,	398	1288	386	2072
Total:	3397	. 1940	2897	8234

Note: (i) Though the number of trees/ poles/ saplings involved is 8234, yet the actual felling shall be allowed only at the tower locations and in the strip of 3 meter below each of the two conductors whereas in the rest of the corridor only pruning and lopping shall be allowed.

- (b) The extraction of the trees/ poles shall be done by the State Forest Corporation/ Forest Department on the basis of markings administratively approved by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu/ Kashmir. The cost of extraction and transportation shall be borne by the User Agency.
- 3. The User Agency shall execute the work after the Forest Department has transplanted the saplings involved in the adjoining/ nearby Closure.
- 4. The User Agency shall ensure the following while laying the transmission line through the forest land:-
- (i) Below each conductor, width clearance of 3 meter would be permitted for taking the tension stringing equipment. The trees/ poles on such strip would have to be felled but after stringing work is completed, the natural regeneration will be allowed to come up.

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⁽ii) The Indenting Agency vide their letter Dated: 23.01.2013 has clarified that out of 8234 trees/ poles/ saplings involved, only 2182 trees/ poles (approx) shall be felled whereas for the rest (i.e. 6052) only pruning, lopping and cutting shall be done.

- (ii)In the remaining width of the corridor, trees/ poles will be felled, pruned or lopped to the extent required for preventing electrical hazards by maintaining the minimum clearance of 5.5 meter between conductors and trees/ poles.
- (iii) In the hilly terrain where adequate clearance is already available, trees will not be cut.
- 5. 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.
- 6. The User Agency shall execute the work after the wildlife clearance as required under law is obtained.
- 7. 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 and after rehabilitated properly by the User Agency.
- 8. The User Agency shall be responsible for obtaining requisite clearances under any other law in vogue before commissioning of the project.
- 9. (a) The User Agency shall clear FCA outstanding amounting to ₹68,10,500/- for the PGCI cases sanctioned earlier in Jammu and Kashmir Region.
 - (b) The CCF, Jammu/ Kashmir, shall pursue with the Revenue authorities for assessment of cost of land in the earlier cases of PGCI Ltd. wherever required.
 - (c) This is in line with the assurance given by the Commissioner/Secy. (Forests) to the CAG Public Accounts Committee in the meeting held on 10-11-2012.
- 10. The cheque/ draft amounting to ₹ 24,01,49,820/- on account of various heads as detailed above shall be deposited with the Chief Accounts Officer in the office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K.
- 11. The proprietary and legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.

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- 12. The forest land shall be utilized only for the purpose for which it has been
- 13. 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.

By Order of the Government of Jammu & Kashmir.

(Sheikh Ejaz Iqbal), IAS Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Forest Department

No: FST/Land/15/2013

Dated: 17 .05.2013

Copy to the:-

- Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J & K, Srinagar.
 - 2. Secretary to Government, General Administration Department, Srinagar.
 - 3. Director, Department of Soil Conservation, J & K, Srinagar.
 - 4. Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
 - 5. Chief Conservator of Forests, Srinagar, Kashmir.
 - 6. Conservator of Forests, Working Plan and Research Circle, Srinagar.
 - 7. Principal Private Secretary to Chief Secretary (Chairman, FAC).
 - 8. OSD to Hon'ble Forest Minister.
 - 9. Divisional Forest Officer, Jammu Forest Division, Jammu.
 - 10. Divisional Forest Officer, Udhampur Forest Division, Udhampur.
 - 11. Divisional Forest Officer, Batote Forest Division, Batote.
 - 12. Divisional Forest Officer, Ramban Forest Division, Ramban.
 - 13. Divisional Forest Officer, Anantnag Forest Division, Anantnag.
 - 14. Manager, Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd., New Wanpoh.
 - 15. Pvt. Secretary to Commissioner/ Secretary to Government, Forest Department.
 - 16. P.A to Special Secretary (Technical), Forest Department.

17. Government Order file/Stock file.

(Mohammad Mumtaz Ali) KAS ity Secretary to Governmen

Forest Department

Government of Jammu & Kashmir Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Srinagar.

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Dated: 27-05-2013

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Copy for information and necessary action to the:-

- Chief Wildlife Warden, J&K, Srinagar. 1.
- Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu.
- Chief Conservator of Forests, Kashmir.
- Conservator of Forests, Working Plan Circle, Srinagar.
- Conservator of Forests, East Circle, Jammu.
- Conservator of Forests, Chenab Circle, Doda.
- Conservator of Forests, South Circle, Bijbehera.
- Divisional Forest Officer, Anantnag Forest Division.
- Divisional Forest Officer, Jammu Forest Division.
- 10. Divisional Forest Officer, Udhampur Forest Division.
- 11. Divisional Forest Officer, Batote Forest Division.
- 12. Divisional Forest Officer, Ramban Forest Division.

13. General Manager (Projects), Office Block No. 26, Grid Bhawan, Rail Head Complex, Jammu.

Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer

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