

**Forest Land - Gadchiroli**

**Diversion of 19.227 ha. forest land under Section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for above ground conveyer along with road for conveyer maintenance & emergency road and transmission line in Villages Hedri, Bande in Tahsil Etapalli, Distrist Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra in favour of M/s Lloyds Metals & Energy Limited.**

**Government of Maharashtra  
Revenue and Forest Department  
Government Order No.: FLD-36A24/CR-173/F-10  
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032.  
Date: 13.05.2026**

**Ref.:**

- 1) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17 / FCA-S1 /PID-467926 / Gadchiroli / 767, dt. 28.06.2024.
- 2) Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra, Government letter No.FLD-36A24/CR-173/F-10, dt.14.08.2024.
- 3) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No. FP/MH/OTHERS/467926/2024, dt. 09.10.2024.
- 4) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-467926 / Gadchiroli /1412, dt.18.09.2025.
- 5) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No. FP/MH/OTHERS/467926/2024, dt. 13.10.2025.
- 6) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S2/PID-467926 / Gadchiroli /2183, dt.15.12.2025.
- 7) Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur Letter No. FP/MH/OTHERS/467926/2024, dt. 24.12.2025.
- 8) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, Letter No. Desk-17/Nodal/Gadchiroli Circle/PID-467926/168, dt.23.04.2026.

**Order :**

Whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur, vide his letter under reference No.1 has submitted a

proposal for diversion of 19.227 ha. forest land under Section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for above ground conveyor along with road for conveyor maintenance & emergency road and transmission line in Villages Hedri, Bande in Tahsil Etapalli, Distrist Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra in favour of M/s Lloyds Metals & Energy Limited;

AND whereas, the State Government vide under letter reference No.2 has sent the proposal for approval of Regional Office (Central) Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur;

AND whereas, the Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.3, accorded 'In-principle' approval for the proposed forest area for diversion i.e. 9.847 ha. Reserved Forest and Protected Forest Land for the above project under section 2 Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfilment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.4 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Government of India after due consideration, vide letter under reference No.5, accorded 'In-principle' approval to divert the remaining 9.38 ha. Reserved Forest and Protected Forest Land for the above project under section 2 Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The said approval is subject to fulfilment of certain conditions by the User Agency;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.6 has submitted compliance of those conditions to the Government of India;

AND whereas, the Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur, vide under reference no. 7 accorded 'Final approval' to divert the 19.227 ha Forest Land in favour of M/s Lloyds Metals & Energy Limited, Gadchiroli for above ground conveyor along with road for conveyor maintenance & emergency road and transmission line in Villages Hedri, Bande in Tahsil Etapalli, Distrist Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra;

AND whereas, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur vide letter under reference No.8 has requested State Government to issue diversion order in the matter;

NOW, therefore, Government of Maharashtra hereby directs that the area of 19.227 ha. consisting Reserved Forest and Protected Forest Land more specifically described in the proposal submitted vide letter under reference No. 1 and as per details given in the Schedule given below, be diverted to the User Agency, i.e., M/s Lloyds Metals & Energy Limited, Gadchiroli for above ground conveyor along with road for conveyor maintenance & emergency road and transmission line in Villages Hedri, Bande in Tahsil Etapalli, Distrist Gadchiroli in the State of Maharashtra.

The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letter dated 09.10.2024, dated 13.10.2025 and dated 24.12.2025 of Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Nagpur. This approval for diversion of forest land is also subject to compliance of following conditions by the User Agency-

1. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli, in consultation with PCCF (Wildlife), will ensure that wildlife clearance is not required for the project, before actual handing over of forest land to the User Agency.
2. The diversion shall be effected subject to the terms and conditions mentioned in the letter dated 09.10.2024, dated 13.10.2025 and dated 24.12.2025.
3. The User Agency shall comply with all the conditions stipulated in the 'in-principle' and 'final approval' letters of MoEF&CC, Government of India (FC Division), referred above. The Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli shall ensure the strict compliance of the conditions by the User Agency and shall furnish the report in this regard to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Nodal Officer, Maharashtra State, Nagpur from time to time.
4. For ensuring the compliances and for monitoring the duly prescribed activities and also to carry out other statutory duties, user agency shall facilitate unhindered access/entry in the area to the local forest Officer. In case the user agency prohibits the free access or create hindrances, the permission given under this Order for the diversion of forest area for the non-forest use shall be withdrawn.
5. Non-compliance of any of the conditions mentioned in Regional Office, MoEF&CC letters dated 09.10.2024, dated 13.10.2025 and dated 24.12.2025, in this order and Rules & Guidelines made / issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980, shall amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980 and action would be taken accordingly.
6. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli shall report through the State Government to the Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur as per procedure laid down in guidelines under the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhinyam, 1980.

### Schedule

Sr. No.	Purpose	Name of Village	Details of Forest Land						
			Distance in M.	Width in M.	Forest Land (in ha.)	Legal Status	Sur/Gut No.	Compt. No.	Area in ha.
1	Transmission Line	Bande	2922.963	27	7.892	PF/RF	10 (P)	SE 196	0.448
							103 (P)	SE 197	6.850
								SE 273	0.353

							SE 274	0.241	
		Hedri	240.37	27	0.649		56 (P)	SE 274	0.649
2	Conveyor route along with road for maintenance and emergency road	Bande	250.00	60	9.662	PF/RF	R.F.	SE 197	8.686
			2378.00	40			10 (P)	SE 273	0.229
							103 (P)	SE 274	0.747
		Hedri	256	40	1.024		56 (P)	SE 274	1.024
	<b>Total</b>				<b>19.227</b>				<b>19.227</b>

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

**(Sanjay Jadhav)**

**Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra**

**Copy:**

1. Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
3. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), Maharashtra State, Nagpur
5. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO, Maha-CAMPA, Nagpur.
6. Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, Nagpur.
7. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), Nagpur.
8. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli.
9. Collector, Gadchiroli.
10. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli.
11. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamragarh.
12. M/s. Lloyds Metals & Energy Limited, Gadchiroli.
13. Select File.

I. Collector- Gadchiroli, Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Gadchiroli and Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamragarh are hereby directed to forward the copy of this order to concerned Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats, Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government and they shall also ensure the display of this order on their notice board as well as on the notice board of local self-government bodies for the information of general public.

II. M/s. Lloyds Metals & Energy Limited, Gadchiroli, is hereby directed to publish the entire order of forest clearances granted in verbatim along with the details of Survey No., Gut No., area and legal status of each Survey, Gut No. etc. and along with the conditions and safe guards imposed by the Central Government while granting forest clearances in two widely circulated daily newspapers, one in vernacular language and other in English language. Copy of the Newspapers be submitted to Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Gadchiroli, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bhamragarh.

III. Heads of Local Bodies, Panchayats and Municipal Bodies in addition to the relevant offices of the Government are hereby directed to display the same on their notice board for 30 days from the date of receipt for the information of general public.