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**Government of India
Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun
Wildlife Institute of India,
Chandrabani, Subhash Nagar, Dehradun, Uttarakhand**

Dated: 11/10/2022

To

Shri Ezekiel Dsouza
3/15 San Antonio APTS caranzalem Panaji Goa
North Goa District
403502

Registration Number : WLIOI/R/E/22/00044

Dear Sir/Madam

I am to refer to your Request for Information under RTI Act 2005, received vide letter dated 27/09/2022 and to say that *kindly see the attached cover letter and Annexure-I& II.*

In case, you want to go for an appeal in connection with the information provided, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority indicated below within ***thirty days*** from the date of receipt of this letter.

Dean, FWS

FAA & Dean

Address: Wildlife Institute of India Chandrabani Dehradun

Phone No.: 01352646202

Yours faithfully

(K.K. Shrivastava)
CPIO & Principal Technical Officer
Phone No.: 01352646253
Email : kkshri@wii.gov.in



No. WII/RTI/CPIO/2022-23 (Qtr-II)/45

Date: 11th October, 2022

To,

Mr. Ezekiel Dsouza
3/15 San Antonio APTS caranzalem
Panaji Goa, North Goa District, Pin:403502
Email: ezekielcdsouza@gmail.com

Sub.: Your Online RTI No. WLIOI/R/E/22/00044 dated 27/09/2022

Sir,

Please refer to your application cited above under RTI Act, 2005. In this context, point-wise response to your queries is given below:

Information Sought under RTI	Reply
1. Number and details of studies conducted on Climate Change in Goa state since the inception of the Wildlife Institute of India.	NA
2. Cost of the total studies conducted on Climate Change in Goa state for the same time period.	NA
3. Terms of reference of EIA study titled (Cumulative Environment Impact Assessment on wildlife habitat and ecological values due to proposed doubling of railway track from Tinaighat to Kulem in the northern Western Ghats).	See attached Annexure-I
4. Principal Investigator for the same project	See attached Annexure-I
5. Cost of the project	See attached Annexure-I
6. Terms of funding for the project including details of funding agency	See attached Annexure-I
7. Details of the members of the committee who are conducting the recruitment of scientists for the study	See attached Annexure-II

If you are not satisfied with the above reply, you may appeal to the Appellate Authority of Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(K.K. Shrivastava)
N.O. & CPIO



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Rail Vikas Nigam Limited

गुणवत्ता, गति एवं परम्परा

(A Government of India Enterprise)

CIN:L74999DL2003GOI118633

No. RVNL/SBC/HPT-VSG/2021

Date: 21.07.2022

Director,
Wild Life Institute of India,
DEHRADUN.

LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE.

Dear Sir,

Sub: Carrying Out "Cumulative Impact Assessment of the proposed Doubling of Railway track between Castlerock and Kulem in Bhagwan Mahaveer Wildlife Sanctuary in Goa and Dandeli Wildlife Sanctuary in Karnataka.

Ref: 1) Terms of reference circulated vide this office letter No.RVNL/SBC/HPT-VSG/2021 dt.01.06.22.

2) Financial proposal received from Wild Life Institute of India vide letter No.WII/AECB/BH/CIA-Castlerock/2022-01 dt. 07.07.2022.

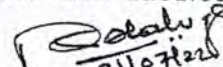
In continuation to the Terms of Reference referred vide this office letter dt.01.06.22 and the financial proposal received from Wild Life Institute of India, Dehradun for the proposed work, the competent authority has accepted the part-I of the financial proposal at a value of Rs.474.78 lakhs inclusive GST @ 18%. It is requested to take up the work as per scope detailed below:-

Sl.No.	Description	Time span	Accepted value in Rs.
1	Cumulative Environment Impact Assessment on wildlife habitat and ecological values due to proposed doubling of Railway track from Tinaighat to Kulem in the Northern Western Ghats.	6 months for Mitigation plan to be submitted to NBWL and 12 months for complete Report.	474.78 lakhs

As far as part-II & III of the financial proposal i.e. Environmental Management and Monitoring plan during construction and post construction, are concerned, the decision shall be taken at the stage of commencement of the project in Wild Life Sanctuary area.

It is requested that the team of Wild Life Institute of India may kindly be deputed at the earliest for undertaking the work so as to make the report of Mitigation Measures available for submission before Standing Committee of NBWL within the period of 6 months. The scope of work as per financial proposal given by Wild Life Institute is enclosed herewith as Annexure-I.

It is also requested that the scope of work as listed down in this office letter dt.01.06.22 may also be included in the report to be prepared by Wild Life Institute of India.


(P.K. Kshatriya)
Chief Project Manager
Bangalore.

Copy to:

1. Dr. Bilal Habib, Scientist-E, Wild Life Institute of India, Dehradun.
2. AGM/Civil/BGM, Sr. Manager/Project/SBC for information and n.a please.
3. Sr.DGM/Finance/Expert/SBC for information.

INFORMATION PROVIDED
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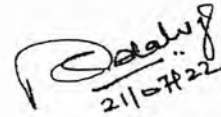
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SCOPE OF WORK:

ANNEXURE - I

1. Assess fine-scale composition and configuration of habitat characteristics, viz. vegetation configuration, terrain characteristics, seasonal and perennial water bodies.
2. Examine the spatial profile and extent of railway noise and vibration due to existing track and predict changes in these parameters due to doubling of track and construction processes in relation to terrain complexity and vegetation characteristics.
3. Determine distribution and abundance status of key terrestrial and arboreal mammal species and herpeto fauna with particular emphasis on Western Ghat Endemics and IUCN red-listed species in relation to habitat characteristics.
4. Assess species composition and conservation values of trees identified for felling and determine the impact due to forest cover opening on habitat, probability of invasive species proliferation and wildlife species in Protected (Bhagwan Mahaveer Wildlife sanctuary and Anshi-Dandeli Tiger Reserve) and non-protected areas.
5. Assess train transport-related soil contamination and determine the impact on vegetation.
6. Determine the hotspot of wildlife-train collision in relation habitat and wildlife species distribution patterns.
7. Determine the effectiveness of existing railway track as habitat, dispersal and barrier to the movement of crucial wildlife species by assessing the extent of the corridor connectivity across the track.
8. Assess the likely impact of noise, vibration, muck generated due to Tunnel Boring Machine and piled places, construction sites for labour and machinery, mobility of transport material on habitat, soil stability and erosion, microenvironment, water sources (seasonal and perennial) and wildlife in protected and non-protected areas.
9. Determine the land use land cover and assess the extent of connectivity for movement of tiger and elephant under pre and post-construction scenarios considering suggested mitigation measures in northern Western Ghat.

10. Identification and mapping of the critical wildlife habitats, especially for breeding, foraging, resting, nesting, roosting or refugees along the railway track.
11. Determine the extent of disaster due to doubling of railway track in terrain having sharp curves and gradient.
12. Suggest appropriate measures to minimize the likely impacts due to different railway track construction processes such as labour camping sites, work sites, machinery noise and vibration during track laying and tunnel construction, disposal of waste on habitat and key faunal species.
13. Determine cumulative environment impact assessment and suggest relevant mitigation measures along the railway track from Castlerock to Kulum for retaining ecological processes within the northern Western Ghats.
14. Prepare "Biodiversity Impact Action Plan" for Bhagwan Mahaveer Wildlife Sanctuary, Goa and Anshi-Dandeli Tiger Reserve, Karnataka.


21/07/22

(P.K. Kshatriya)
Chief Project Manager/RVNL
Bangalore.

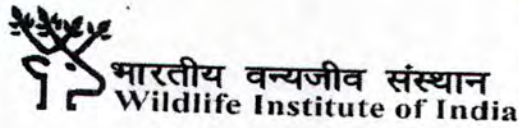
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CPIO, Wild Life Institute of India, Dehradun



Annexure - II



CHANDRABANI, DEHRADUN

No. WII/AECB/BH/Recruitment/2022-01

Dated: 03.10.2022

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(Revised)

Sub.: Constitution of Selection Committee for engagement of Project Personnel for Cumulative Environment Impacts assessment on wildlife habitat and ecological values due to proposed doubling of railway track from Tinaighat to Kulem in the northern Western Ghats" purely on contractual basis – reg.

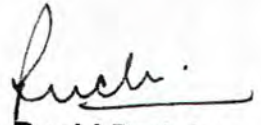
Interview Committee for contractual engagement of project personnel under the above project has been constituted as under:

(a) Interview/Selection Committee

1. Dr. S. Sathyakumar, Scientist – G
2. Dr. Bilal Habib, Scientist – E
3. Dr. Gautam Talukdar, Scientist – E
4. Dr. Abhijit Das, Scientist – D
5. Dr. Navendu Page, Scientist – C

Selection Committee will conduct online interviews on the 6th of October 2022

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(Dr. Ruchi Badola)
Scientist – G & Registrar

Distribution

Interview Committee Members

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CPIO, Wild Life Institute of India, Dehradun