

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: 12th October, 2021

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests),
Government of Odisha,
Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Request of State Government to issue clarification to approve adjustment of funds paid in excess by User Agency against the proposal for non-forestry use of 162.42 ha of forest land for Chromite ore mining in Sukurangi mining lease in favour of M/s Odisha Mining Corporation in villages Kamarda, Ostapal, Saruabil, Sukurangi, Tailangi in Sukinda Tehsil, Distrcit Jajpur (Odisha)-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Odisha's letter No. FE-DIV-FLD-0044-2021-5736/F&E dated 06.03.2021 and letter no. FE-DIV-FLD-0044-2021-14761/FE&CC dated 18.08.2021 on above mentioned subject seeking approval of Central Government to adjust funds paid in excess by User Agency against the instant proposal and to say that the matter was considered by the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 17.09.2021. The detailed minutes of the FAC meeting held on 17.09.2021 is placed on the website of this Ministry: www.forestclearance.nic.in. It has been decided that the issue regarding adjustment of the excess funds deposited may be settled at State level under the intimation to the MoEFCC. State shall ensure that all the conditions pertaining to the project, as specified in the Stage I approval, in the instant case are complied.

In view of above, the State Government is requested to take appropriate action under the intimation to the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-

(Charan Jeet Singh)
Scientist 'D'

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
2. The Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office (Eastern Zone), MoEF&CC, Bhubaneswar
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC
6. Guard File