

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

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To  
The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central),  
Regional Office of MoEF&CC,  
Bhubaneswar

**Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 87.520 ha of forest land for construction of Hidsing Irrigation Project including Alternate Road in Angul Forest Division under Angul District by Executive Engineer, Cuttack Investigation Division, Cuttack of Water Resource Department, Govt. of Odisha (Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/20559/2016) –reg.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Odisha's No. FE-DIV-FLD-0025-2024-11966/FE&CC dated 05.07.2024 submitted on POARIVESH 1.0 portal on 30.12.2024 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and to request the Regional Office, Bhubaneswar of this Ministry to inspect the area proposed for diversion, area identified for compensatory afforestation (NFL and DFL) and submit Site Inspection Report (SIR) with clear recommendations to this Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

**(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)**  
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

**Copy to:**

1. Principle Secretary (Forests), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.