

**F. No. 8-65/2016-FC**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change  
(Forest Conservation Division)

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**Dated: 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017**

To,

**The Principal Secretary (Forests),**  
Government of Odisha,  
Bhubaneswar.

**Sub: Proposal for diversion of 51.783 ha of forest land for construction of Turi-Guntat medium Irrigation Project in Nabarangpur Block of Nabarangpur District, Odisha.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Odisha's letter No. 10F (Cons) 256/2016/22291/F&E dated 30.11.2016 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. After examination of the proposal the following shortcomings revealed:

- i. Two FRA certificates for an area of 20.775 ha. and 31.010 ha. have been given. However, the certificate for Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 for an area of 20.775 ha. is not in the prescribed format and without Gram Sabha resolution. Accordingly, the complete compliance on FRA in accordance with Ministry's guidelines dated 03.08.2009 read with 05.07.2013 in original is required.
- ii. It is noticed that the approved CAT plan is not given.


In view of above, the State Government is requested to provide the information as indicated above for further consideration of the proposal in the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Sandeep Sharma)  
Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

**Copy to:**

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

  
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