

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

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To

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

Sub: Proposal for non-forestry use of 162.42 ha of forest land for Chromite ore mining in Sukarangi mining lease in favour of M/s Odisha Mining Corporation in villages Kamarda, Ostapal, Saruabil, Sukurangi, Tailangi in Sukinda Tehsil, Distrcit Jajpur (Odisha) : adjustment of excess amount of compensatory levies – 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 1.10.2019 on the above subject requesting for adjustment of excess amount of compensatory levies realized from the user Agency in lieu of 'in-principle' approval dated 14.09.2017 granted to the subject proposal and subsequent letter No. FE-DIV-FLD-0044-2021-5736/F&E dated 06.03.2021 forwarding further clarification as sought by the Ministry vide its letter of even number dated 12.09.2020. In this connection, it is to inform that proposal was considered by the Forest Advisory Committee in its meeting held on 31.05.2021. A copy of the minutes of the meeting of the FAC may kindly accessed at <https://parivesh.nic.in/>. The Committee, after detailed deliberation in the matter desired that following information may be obtained from the State Government:

- i. State Government may submit the status of Regional Wildlife Management Plan (RWLMP) formulation and its implementation. The State Government may also clarify whether the total amount which was levied from the user agency in the year 2011 for the purpose of RWLMP, has been utilized or not. If the amount has not been fully utilized and the resultant RWLMP has not been formulated and implemented fully, the reason for the same may be conveyed. The decision on the above request of the State Government for adjustment shall be taken after review of the clarification /additional details furnished by the State Government.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit information, as per the above observation of the FAC, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

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1. PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar
2. Regional Office, Integrated Regional Office of the MoEF&CC at Bhubaneswar
3. The Nodal Officer, Office of the PCCF, Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell, Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi
6. Guard File

