

**F. No. 8-30/2014-FC**  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change  
(FC Division)

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Dated: 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2018

To,  
Principal Secretary (Forest),  
Government of Odisha,  
Bhubaneswar.

**Sub.: Diversion of 43.091 hectares of forest land (including Safety Zone area of 2.080 ha.) in village Kundaposi of Barbil Tahasil in Keonjhar District for mining of Iron Ore in mining lease area over 45.131 hectares by M/s. OCL Iron and Steel Ltd.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Hon'ble High Court of Odisha's order dated 24.04.2018 directing this Ministry to take up the above subject proposal for Forest Diversion of Kundaposi Iron Ore Mines in village Kundaposi under Barbil Tahasil of Keonjhar district under Section 2 (ii) of Forest Conservation Act, 1980. As per the direction of Hon'ble Court, the said proposal was placed before Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 19.06.2018. The detailed minutes of the FAC meetings held on 19.06.2018 for this proposal has been kept in sealed cover till further orders of Hon'ble High Court of Odisha.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Sandeep Sharma) 12.7.18

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

**Copy to:**

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
2. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
3. The Addl. PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Bhubaneswar
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Divisions, MoEF&CC
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