

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

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Dated: 21st August, 2020

To,

Additional Chief Secretary (Forests),
Government of Odisha,
Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Diversion of 75.635 ha of forest land within the limits of Paradip Port Trust at Paradip coming under jurisdiction of Rajnagar mangrove Division/ Jagatsinghpur district, Odisha for development of Outer Harbour including Wester Dock & mechanization of existing operational berth by M/s Paradip Port Trust.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter no. 11829 9F/ IND (371)/2018 dated 19.06.2020 submitting the compliance report on the conditions stipulated in In-principle approval dated 31.12.2018 for seeking prior approval of the Central Government for above subject proposal under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. After examination of the compliance report, it is found that the compliance of condition no. (iv) of Stage-I clearance, which states that "*State Government shall initiate action for violation as per the provisions of Government of India Guidelines 11-42/2017-FC dated 29.01.2018*", is not satisfactory.

In view of above, the State Government is requested to submit the Action Taken Report on the said condition alongwith detailed compliance and justification for further consideration of the proposal in this Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

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