प्रेषक,

आशीष तिवारी, विशेष सचिव, उ०प्र० शासन।

सेवा में.

उप वन महानिरीक्षक, भारत सरकार पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इन्दिरा पर्यावरण भवन अलीगंज, जोरबाग, नई दिल्ली—110003

पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन अनुभाग—2 लखनऊ, दिनांक 15 दिसम्बर, 2020 विषय:— Diversion of 115.874 ha. of forest land in favour of M/s Jaipraksash Associates Ltd. for proposed diversion of forest land at village Kota in Tehsil Robertsganj, district Sonbhadra for JP Super Cement plant & it's township (a unit of Jaipraksash Associates Ltd. Sector 128, Noida) in district Sonbhadra, state Uttar Pradesh-reg.

महोदय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक अपने पत्र संख्या—एफ—8—07/2019—एफसी, दिनांक 11.12.2020 एवं मुख्य वन संरक्षक/नोडल अधिकारी, उ०प्र० लखनऊ के पत्र संख्या—1403/11—सी—एफपी/यूपी/IND/23246/2016, दिनांक 14.12.2020 (प्रति संलग्न) का कृपया सन्दर्भ ग्रहण करें। मुख्य वन संरक्षक/नोडल अधिकारी, उ०प्र० लखनऊ द्वारा अवगत कराया गया है कि भारत सरकार पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इन्दिरा पर्यावरण भवन, नई दिल्ली के पत्रांक—8—7/2019—एफसी, दिनांक 06.08.2020 में दिये गये निर्देशों के कम में भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, अलीगंज लखनऊ के उप वन महानिदेशक, श्री बिभाष रेंजन तथा वन विभाग की तरफ से तत्कालीन मुख्य वन संरक्षक/नोडल अधिकारी, श्री पंकज मिश्र द्वारा दिनांक 07.10.2020 को स्वयं संयुक्त स्थलीय निरीक्षण किया गया है।

- 2— इस सम्बन्ध में मुझे यह कहने का निदेश हुआ है कि Joint Site Inspection Report भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जवलायु मत्रालय, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, अलीगंज लखनऊ के पत्र संख्या—8बी/यूपी/09/1117/2019/एफसी/1015, दिनांक 05.11.2020 द्वारा उपलब्ध करायी गयी रिपोर्ट की प्रति आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु आपको शासन के पत्र दिनांक 10.11.2020 द्वारा प्रेषित की जा चुकी है, जिसमें उक्त दोनों अधिकारियों के हस्ताक्षर अंकित है।
- 3— अतः प्रकरण में पूर्व में प्रेषित की गई Joint Site Inspection Report की छायाप्रति पुनः प्रेषित करते हुए अनुरोध है कि कृपया विषयगत प्रकरण में आवश्यक कार्यवाही सुनिश्चित कराने का कष्ट करें।

संलग्नक : यथोक्त।

भवदीय,

(आशीष तिवारी) विशेष सचिव।

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संख्या एवं दिनांक तदैव।

प्रतिलिपि : निम्नलिखित को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित :-

- 1. उप वन महानिरीक्षक (केन्द्रीय), भारत सरकार पर्यावरण वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, केन्द्रीय भवन, पंचम तल, सेक्टर एच अलीगंज विस्तार, उ०प्र० लखनऊ।
- 2. मुख्य वन संरक्षक/नोडल अधिकारी, उ०प्र० लखनऊ।
- 3. मुख्य वन संरक्षक, मीरजापुर क्षेत्र मीरजापुर।
- 4. प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी, ओबरा वन प्रभाग, ओबरा।
- 5. श्री रामराज बाली, अधिकृत प्रतिनिधि, जे०पी० एसोसिएट्स लि०, सेक्टर—128, नोएडा।
- 6. गार्ड फाइल।

आज्ञा से,

(आर० पी० सिंह) अनु सचिव।



भारत सरकार

पर्यावरण,वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, लखनऊ



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दिनॉक: 14.12.2020

सेवा में,

प्रमुख सचिव, (अन) पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन विभाग, बापू भवन, उत्तर प्रदेश शासन, लखनऊ।

2) 9) विषयः जन्मद सोनभद्र में ओबरा वन प्रभाग में मेठजय प्रकाश एसोसिएट्स द्वारा ग्राम-कोटा में जेठपीठ सुपर धीमेन्ट प्लान्ट व आवासीय क्षेत्र स्थापना हेतु 115.874 हेठ आरक्षित वनभूमि के हस्तान्तरण के सम्बन्ध में।

सन्दर्भः पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, नई दिल्ली के पत्रांक सं0—8—07 / 2019—एफ0सी0, दिनांक—11.12.2020 एवं उत्तर प्रदेश शासन के पत्रांक सं0—भा0स0—161 / 81—2—2020—800(162) / 2018, दिनांक—14.12.2020

8-1 अभिन जुमार) निजी सरिव मुझेखयुर्भिव

पर्याव ग. यन एवं जलवासु पुरिवर्तन विभाग पर्याव ग. यन एवं जलवासु पुरिवर्तन विषयक संदर्भित पत्र का आशय ग्रहण करने का कष्ट करें। प्रस्तावित स्थल निरीक्षण दिनांक' 05.11.2020 को उत्तर महानिदेशक, एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, लखनऊ की अध्यक्षता में मुख्य वन संरक्षक मिर्जापुर मण्डल, मुख्य वन संरक्षक / नोडल अधिकारी लखनऊ एवं प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी ओबरा के साथ दिनांक 05.11.2020 को संयुक्त स्थल निरीक्षण किया गया था।

> प्राची गंगवार) उप वन महानिरीक्षक (केन्द्रीय)

भवदीया

प्रतिलिपि-

1. उप वन महानिरीक्षक, भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जल्वायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इंदिरा पर्यावरण भवन, अलीगंज, जोरबाग रोड, नई दिल्ली—110003.

(प्राची गंगवार) उप वन महानिरीक्षक (केन्द्रीय) कार्यालय मुख्य वन सरंक्षक / नोडल अधिकारी, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन विभाग, उ०प्र०, लखनऊ। पत्रांकः- 1403 / 11-सी-FP/UP/IND/23246/2016, लखनऊः दिनांकः दिसम्बर 10, 2020

सेवा में,

प्रमुख सचिव,

पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन अनुभाग-2,

उ०प्र० शासन, लखनऊ।

विषय-

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सदर्भ:-

भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एव जलवायु परिवर्तन मत्रालय, इदिरा पर्यावरण भवन, नई दिल्ली का पत्रांक—8—07/2019—एफ0सी0, दिनांक 11.12.2020 एवं उ०प्र० शासन का पत्रांक—भा०स0—161/81—2—2020—800(162)/2018, दिनांक 14.12.2020

महोदय,

उपरोक्त संदर्भित पत्रों का अवलोकन करने की कृपा करें। भारत सरकार, नई दिल्ली के उपरोक्त संदर्भित पत्र दिनांक 11.12.2020 द्वारा वांछित सूचना के क्रम में अवगत कराना है कि विषयगत प्रकरण में भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इंदिरा पर्यावरण भवन, नई दिल्ली के पत्रांक—8—07/2019—एफ0सी0, दिनांक 06.08.2020 में दिये गये निर्देशों के क्रम में भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, अलीगंज, लखनऊ के उप वन महानिदेशक श्री बिभाष रंजन तथा वन विभाग की तरफ से तत्कालीन मुख्य वन संरक्षक/नोडल अधिकारी श्री पंकज मिश्र द्वारा दिनांक 07.10.2020 को स्वयं संयुक्त स्थलीय निरीक्षण किया गया है।

अतः उपरोक्तानुसार वांछित सूचना / आख्या आवश्यक अग्रेत्तर कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित है।

भवदीय

(अनुपम गुप्ता) मुख्य वन संरक्षक / नोडल अधिकारी, उ०५०, लखनऊ।

पत्रांक:- 1413 / 11-सी-FP/UP/IND/23246/2016, दिनांकित।

प्रतिलिपि-निम्नलिखित अधिकारियों को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित:-

1. मुख्य वन संरक्षक, मिर्जापुर क्षेत्र, मिर्जापुर।

2. प्रभागीय वनाधिकारी, ओबरा वन प्रभाग, ओबरा।

3. श्री रामराज बाली, अधिकृत प्रतिनिधि, जे०पी० एसोसिएट्स लि०, सेक्टर-128, नोएडा, उ०प्र०।

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मुख्य वन संरक्षक / नोडल अधिकारी, उ०प्र०, लखनऊ।

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भारत सरकार

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दिनॉक: 05.11.2020

सेवा में,

श्री बुजेन्द्र स्वरूप, उप वन महानिरीक्षक, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, इन्दिरा पर्यावरण भवन, अलीगंज, जोरबाग रोड, नयी दिल्ली-110003.

विषयः Diversion of 115.874 ha. of forest land in favour of M/s Jaiprakash Associates Ltd. for proposed diversion of forest land at village Kota in Tehsil Robertsganj, district Sonbhadra for JP Super cement plant & it's township (a unit of Jaiprakash Associates Ltd. Sector 128, Noida) in district Sonbhadra, state Uttar Pradesh-reg.

सन्दर्भः पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, नई दिल्ली के पत्रांक सं0-8-07/2019-एफ०री दिनांक-06.08.2020.

महोदय.

उपरोक्त विषयक संदर्भित पत्र का आशय ग्रहण करने का कष्ट करें। प्रस्तावित स्थल निरीक्षण की रिपोर्ट मूल प्रि संलग्न कर आपको सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित की जाती है।

संलग्नक- यथोपरि।

भवदीया,

(प्राची गंगवार) उप वन महानिरीक्षक [केन्द्रीय]

प्रतिलिपि सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु :--

- 1 प्रमुख सचिव, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन, उत्तर प्रदेश शासन, बापू भवन, लखनऊ को संदर्भित पत्र के कम में संयुक्त स्थल रिपोर्ट की एक प्रति संलग्न करते हुए सूचनार्थ व आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित।
- 2. प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक (हॉफ), वन विभाग, 17, राणा प्रताप मार्ग, लखनऊ, उ०प्र०।
- 3. श्री रामराज बाली, अधिकृत प्रतिनिधि, जे०पी० ऐसोसिएट्स लि०, सेक्टर-128, नोएडा।
- 4. श्री पंकज मिश्रा, मुख्य वन संरक्षक (प्र0), कार्यालय प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, उत्तर प्रदेश, लखनऊ को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित।

on 21/11/20

उप वन महानिरीक्षक [केन्द्रीय

Integrated Regional Office, Central Region, Lucknow

JOINT SITE INSPECTION REPORT

Diversion of 115.874 ha forest land in favour of M/s J.P. Associates Ltd at village Kota, Tehsil- Robertsganj, District- Sonebhadra, Uttar Pradesh

Joint Site Inspection Report

(Diversion of 115.874 ha forest land in favour of M/s J.P. Associates Ltd. at Village Kota in Tehsil- Robertsganj, District -Sonebhadra.)

- A. According to FAC meeting held on 13 July, 2020, the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi vide its letter No. 8-07-019-FC dated 06.08.2020 has directed to inspect jointly on the violation for diversion of 115.874 ha forest land at Village Kota, Tehsil- Robertsganj, District-Sonebhadra, Uttar Pradesh.
- B. The State Government vide letter No. 1924-81-2-2020-800(162)/2018 dated 17.09.2020 has forwarded the relevant information to this office, wherein a detail report of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Mirzapur Mandal, Mirzapur is enclosed. It means the State Government agrees with the comments and contents of the said letter. (Copy of the report is enclosed for your ready reference as **Annexure- I**, page 1-58).
- C. State Government of Uttar Pradesh vide its letter dated 17/9/2020 nominated Chief Conservator of Forests/ Nodal Officer, Uttar Pradesh for joint inspection.
- D. Team comprising of Nodal Officer/ Chief Conservator of Forests, Uttar Pradesh State nominee visited the designated site on 07 October, 2020 along with CCF, Mirzapur Mandal, DFO, Obra and the officials of M/s Jaiprakash Associated Limited (commonly explained here as M/s JAL).
- E. Uttar Pradesh Cement Factory, Dala was established on two separate patches Patch 1 having a total area 20.804 ha in five Gatas and Patch 2 is 95.07 ha. also in five Gatas. During site visit, it was seen that Patch 1 is old township having residential premises, Inter-college, hospitals, guest house, roads for the factory's employee and semi constructed CBSE school building. Patch 2 consists of Super Cement Plant, road, old conveyor belts, ropeway and forests. Copy of the project proposal page/ 64 is enclosed as **Annexure II- page -59**.
- F. The team, after careful analysis of factual data available in the office, produced by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh and site inspection, established that there is violation of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the area.

There are mainly 5 points wherein report is sought from the Regional Office. The point-wise report is as under:

1(a) The status of forest proposed for diversion and extent of violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

i) According to the Part-I and Part-II of the proposal No. FP/UP/IND/23246/2016 submitted in the office, the status of proposed forest land is 115.874 ha as Reserve Forests vide Notification no. 1142/14-2-2016 –

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20(4)/ 2016 dated 23/6/2016, situated in Village – Kota, Tehsil- Robertsganj, District – Sonebhadra, Uttar Pradesh.

ii) The details of the khasra-wise land as explained in the proposal at page/77 is as under:

	Grand Total	115.874		
	Sub total	95.07		
	3202	12.85		
	3108	4.11		
	3200	35.76	This patch is having Super Cemer Plant, Road, Conveyor structur ropeway	
	3199	21.25		
	3198	21.10		
	Subtotal	20.804	1 1 1 - in a Cunar Camani	
	2607	0.10	networks, created by Uttar Pradesh State Cement Corporation Limited. A half constructed CBSE School is also seen.	
	2602	0.14	ground, guest house, hospitals, inter-	
	2676 A	6.604		
I	933 KA	1.50	quarters, power substation, pla	
Patch	Khasra	Area (in ha)	Description This patch is having residential	

Old construction in patch I can be seen in Hon'ble NGT order dated 04 May, 2016 in M.A No. 1166 & 1169 of 2015 (page 26 – Annexure III, page 60-61) wherein it is said that the Government Cement Factory had carried out mining activity uninterrupted since 1954 till the production was stopped in 1999-2000 in the freehold, UPCCL established township, administrative offices, township for employees, hospital, schools, stackers, reclaimers etc.

Extent of Violation

There are two broad scenario of extent of violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, which are as under:

Scenario - 1

- (i) Under Para-11 of Part –II, the extent of violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is 115.874 ha (copy of both the pages are enclosed as **Annexure –IV-page 62-63**). This proposal was duly endorsed at every level upto State Government of Uttar Pradesh.
- (ii) The Regional Office vide its earlier report in point No.8 through file No. 8A/UP/09/1177/2019/FC-390 dated 31.07.2019 has explicitly mentioned about the violation which is reproduced as under: "Violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980: The exclusion of forest land in question from purview of Section 4 and Section 20 of Indian Forest Act by State authorities and construction of JP Super Cement Plant in the year 2007 without obtaining permission under FC Act is in violation of the provisions of

Conservation Act, 1980. Development of Township on the forest land was done in the year 1976 i.e. prior to enactment of Forest Conservation Act, 1980. Though the Cement Plan is not in operation but existence of residential quarters of company's employees and continued use of other infrastructures without Forest clearance is also in violation of FC Act. The above violations have taken place prior to submission of application/proposal of forest diversion which needs examination in the light of recent guidelines of the Ministry regarding violations of FC Act issued vide letter No. 11-42-2017(FC) dated 29.01.2018."

- (iii) The above quoted text has again mentioned about the development of township on forest land in the year 1976, which is actually in Patch I.
- (iv) State Government in its report dated 17/9/2020 has furnished the status of non-forestry activities including construction as in 2020 is as under:

Sl No.	Land use	Area in ha
1	Factory premises	30.954
2	Plantation	77.514
3	Road	5.96
4	Settlement	1.199
5	Culvert	0.248
3	Total area	115.874

<u>Under Scenario- 1, entire 115.874 ha proposed reserve forest land for diversion is</u> under violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Scenario-2

According to the facts available in the Regional Office, documents produced by State Government, State Forest Department, Site Inspection and the proposals submitted for diversion, following facts are important to quantify the extent of nonforestry activity viz. violation of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

- a) DFO, Obra in his letter dated 25/7/2010 had reported (copy enclosed as **Annexure V, page 64-65**) that no construction is seen in Gata number 3206, 3211 and 3212 and there was old constructed structure in Gata no. 3200.
- b) Regional office, Central Region, Lucknow in its letter no. II/1119/CEC/2009/1077 dated 19.01.2011 has asked the CCF, Mirzapur Mandal field official to stop illegal construction being carried out in Gata no. 3200 (cement plants) and roads were under construction in Gata no. 3211 & 3212 (Copy enclosed as Annexure VI, page 66-70)
- c) During Site inspection, a semi-constructed CBSE School building seen in Patch 1, the Photograph enclosed at Annexure- VII, page71-72.

- d) A structure called Super Cement Plant along with road is there in Patch II. The photograph is at **Annexure VIII(a)**, **page 73-74**. Super cement Plant is established on the land where UPCCL construction was existing.
- e) Natural Dense Forests because of secured area are seen on hillocks and the photograph is at **Annexure VIII(b)**, page 75 -76.

f) According to a letter dated 19 October 2020 of DFO, Obra, (Copy enclosed at **Annexure IX**, page 77) the construction made during 2008 onwards by M/s JAL, area and gata details of the construction explained at point number (c & d) above is tabulated as under:

Patch	Khasra Number	Area of construction/ Total Area of plot(in ha)	Activity
I	2576 K	0.2 / 1.50	Partly constructed building of CBSE
II	3200	35.76 / 35.76	Super Cement Plant
	3198	2.96 / 21.10	Road
	3199	3.0 / 21.25	Road
	Total area	46.92/ 79.61	

(h) Report says that the Cement Plant is established in Gata No. 3200. Total area of the said Gata is kept under violation.

So the total area constructed by M/s JAL since 2008 is (0.2 +35.76 +2.96+3.0=46.92 ha) 46.92 ha and team is of the view that this area may be treated as violation under Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

1(b) Extent of forest area within the proposed area of diversion where violation under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 has been done.

The extent of forest area within the proposed area of diversion, where violation under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 is 46.92 ha as explained in Scenario no. 2 above.

- 1(c) Suitability of site proposed for compensatory afforestation vis a vis DSS analysis report.
 - (i) According to the point 3.2 of part-I of the proposal, the total non forest area proposed for compensatory afforestation is 115.874 ha.
 - (ii) After DSS analysis The Ministry vide its letter dated 25.03.2019 (Copy Enclosed as **Annexure –X, page 78**), it was found that the approximately 26 ha of land was falling within water bodies and accordingly requested the State Government of Uttar Pradesh to provide additional CA area of 26 ha.
 - (iii) The Government of Uttar Pradesh vide its letter 1126/81-2-2020-800(162)/2018 dated 18 June 2020 had sent a detailed proposal along with map and suitability for plantation under CA, where in it was proposed

degraded forest land in Paraspani Compartment no. 3 of Dala Range, Obra Forest Division. This additional area is suitable for plantation.

- (iv) Regional Office has requested the State Government on 25 September & 29 October 2020 to provide KML File of additional CA area of 26 ha., so that after DSS analysis suitability of the additional CA areas will be ascertained.
- (v) The State of Uttar Pradesh has furnished KML file for additional compensatory afforestation on 19 October 2020, where some discrepancies was noticed. Subsequently, State Government was further requested to send revised KML File which was sent on 3 November, 2020. Copy of the letter is at **Annexure XI**, page 79.

The DSS report dated 4/11/2020 of the Regional Office states that the proposed area, (i.e Paraspani Compartment no. 3 of Dala Range, Obra Forest Division) is 31.96 ha and 28 ha area is suitable for compensatory afforestation (Copy of the DSS Report dated 4/11/2020 is enclosed as Anneuxre-XII, page - 80).

1(d) Any other information relevant on the proposal:

Hon'ble National Green Tribunal has passed a detailed order on 4 May, 2016 in M.A No. 1166 & 1169 of 2015.

2. The State Government shall provide the details of the construction activity carried out on proposed forest area for diversion by User Agency after Hon'ble NGT order in OA No. 494 of 2015 dated 04.05.2016.

As mentioned in point 1(d) Scenario 1 point no. (iv), the State Government vide its aforesaid letter, wherein Chief Conservator of Forest's report is enclosed, states about the construction activities carried out on the forest land, which is as under:

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3. Present position status of remaining forest area outside the proposed area for diversion i.e. 1083.203 ha - 115.874 ha = 967.1146 ha

As per the report of Chief Conservator of Forests, Mirzapur Mandal, Mirzapur, the remaining 967.329 ha land has been notified as Reserved Forest under Section 20 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927.

4. Any other relevant information:

- (i) The annual report of the U.P. State Cement Corporation Ltd. (1973-74) is enclosed in the reply of the State Government stating that the Company has completed two years of its working on 31st March, 1974.
- (ii) No work could take place since 4th May, 2016, i.e after the promulgation of NGT order.
- (iii) Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in M.A No. 1166 of 2015 and M.A. No 1169 of 2015 vide its order dated 04 May, 2016 at page 60 through its Amicus curie has said that prior approval of the central government under section 2 of the F C Act is required.
- (iv) Under justification for locating the projects at page 79 stipulates that the total township of Dalla Cement Factory comprising above mentioned facilities were in possession of UPCCL since 1976.
- (v) According to report dated 18 June 2020 of the State Government sent to the Ministry, (Copy of the said letter is enclosed as **Annexure XIII, page 81-86**). M/s JAL had used the land for construction of structures like school, cement plant, roads when it was carved out from section 4 of Indian Forest Act, 1927 during settlement by then Forest Settlement Officer. The said proceeding of the FSO for exclusion of land notified under section 4 of Indian Forest Act, 1927 were declared null and void by Hon'ble National Green Tribunal in its order dated 4 May, 2016 and subsequently excluded land again notified as Reserve Forest under section 20 of Indian Forest Act.

Enclosure: Annexure I to XIII (01 to 86 Pages)

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