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Memo No 1897 / 3F-27/2023.

Dated, Baripada the 17th May, 2023.

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act.),
O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF,
Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

Sub :

Proposal for diversion of 6.779ha. Forest Land for 2-lane strengthening / widening/ Newly build road from Basta to Subarnarekha Port-via-Dagara beach in the District of Balasore coming under the jurisdiction of Balasore(WL) Division by Subarnarekha Port Pvt. Limited.- **Compliance - Reg.**

Ref. :

Your memo no. 1269/9F (Road) 303/2023, dated 20.01.2023 & Memo No. 3661, dated-10.05.2023 of DFO, Balasore(WL) Division.

In inviting kind reference to your aforecited memo on the captioned subject, the Divisional Forest Officer, Balasore(WL) Division vide his memo no.3660, dtd.10.05.2023 has submitted compliance report on the points raised vide your memo under reference for diversion of 6.779 hectare forest land for 2-lane strengthening/ widened/ newly build road from Basta to Subarnarekha Port via Dagara Beach which is furnished below for favour of your information and necessary action.

OBSERVATIONS

1. **Sanction order / approval order of this project by the Port Authority concerned has not been furnished:-**

Compliance:- The DFO, Balasore(WL) Division has submitted a copy of Sanction order / approval order of the project furnished by the User Agency duly authenticated by the User Agency & DFO, Balasore(WL) Division. A copy of Sanction order / approval order of the project is attached at Page No. 15 to 56 of the Hard Copy of Diversion Proposal.

2. **The documents and maps relating to this proposal with the scheduled forms and certificates are not as per check list:-**

Compliance:- The DFO, Balasore(WL) Division has reported that the same has been Complied by the UA.

3. **In Part-II furnished by the DFO, Balasore (WL) Division though the type of forest land proposed to be diverted has been shown as Eco-Value Class-III and canopy density NIL, 616 nos. of trees have been enumerated over the proposed forest land to be diverted. Similarly, in Site Inspection report, the DFO, Balasore (WL) Division at Serial No.12 (Condition of vegetation and type of forest in applied area) has mentioned about enumeration of 616 nos. of trees over the forest land and some bushy forest at different patches which needs clarification / rectification:-**

Compliance:- The DFO, Balasore(WL) Division has reported in his compliance report that forest land proposed to be diverted is ascertained as Eco Class – III with density vegetation of less than 0.4. Further, the DFO has reported that during site inspection dated 08.05.2023 by the present incumbent Divisional Forest Officer, Balasore Wildlife Division, the earlier observation has been confirmed. The forest land proposed for diversion having 616 nos. of trees located in 08 nos. of villages and there is few trees along the road in single stretch and few very small patches of forest land having tree growth. Some bushy forests at different patches are also available at roadside in scattered manner.

4. **Being a linear project, the UA has not furnished total length and width of the proposed road passing through forest area and non-forest area separately:-**

Compliance:- In compliance to the observation, the DFO, Balasore(WL) Division has submitted total length and width of the proposed road passing through forest area and non-forest area separately furnished by the User Agency duly authenticated by the User Agency and DFO, Balasore(WL) Division. The same has been attached at Page No. 276 to 308 of the Hard Copy of Diversion Proposal (Point No. 27 of Check List).

5. **Tree enumeration done over non-forest land has not been shown in the Part-II or Site Inspection report. Further, though 904 nos. of trees have been enumerated over non-forest land from Jafarabad to Dagara, no. of trees enumerated in non-forest Govt. land & Private land (Tahasil wise & village wise) has not been furnished:-**

Compliance:- In compliance to the observation, the User Agency has submitted tree enumeration list of 336nos. trees in non-forest private land(From Page No.186 to 212 of DP) and 568nos. trees in non-forest Government land (From Page-213 to 244 of DP) in Baliapal Tahasil of Balasore District. The tree enumeration list has been authenticated by the Tahasildar, Baliapal, User Agency & DFO, Balasore(WL) Division which has been attached in the Diversion Proposal.

6. **The approved engineering drawing showing the RoW of the road including 7mtr. wide carriage way along with 1.5 mtr earthen shoulder on each side of carriage way from Gandhi Chouk, Basta to Subarnarekha port site to be furnished:-**

Compliance:- The DFO, Balasore(WL) Division in his compliance report has informed that the same has been complied by the UA at Plate No. 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D & 14E of the Hard Copy of Diversion Proposal (Point No. 06 of Check List). The Conservator of Forests (Nodal), State Forest Headquarters, Odisha has asked for approved engineering drawing showing RoW of road for 10 mtr., but the UA has submitted the approved engineering drawing for 12 mtr. width road excluding turf. The RoW of the road in forest area may be kept 10 meter.

7. **Regarding construction of new road from Dagara beach to Subarnarekha port site connectivity over 6.898 Km, the UA has not furnished the Topo Sheet of scale 1:50,000 showing three alternative routes studied for selection of the final route:-**

Compliance:- The DFO, Balasore(WL) Division has furnished the Topo Sheet of scale 1:50,000 showing three alternative routes studied for selection of the final route in Plate No.12 submitted by the User Agency and duly authenticated by the Tahasildar, Baliapal, User Agency & DFO, Balasore(WL) Division. The same has been attached in the Diversion Proposal.

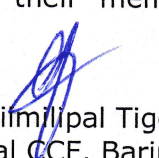
The DFO, Balasore(WL) Division has informed that the above compliance has also been uploaded in the Parivesh Portal. Hence, 03 (Sets) of the Diversion Proposal for the above project is forwarded herewith for further course of action at your level.

Encl:- As above.


I/c Field Director, Similipal Tiger Reserve
-Cum- Regional CCF, Baripada.

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Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Balasore (WL) Division for information and necessary action with reference to their memo no.3660, dt.10.05.2023.


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Copy forwarded to the Subarnarekha Port Pvt. Limited, DCB-917, 9th Floor, DLF Cybercity, Chandrasekharapur, Bhubaneswar, Odisha-751024, Email-tanmay.sahu@subarnarekhaport.com for information and necessary action.


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