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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
Regional Offices Headquarters Division

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To,

1. The Dy. Director General of Forests
All Regional Offices, MoEFCC, Government of India
2. The Principal Secretary (Forest)
All State Government/UTs.

Subject:- Physical copies of Stage-I and Stage-II approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 on PARIVESH Portal - reg.

Sir,

As you are aware, the proposals seeking approval for use of forest land for non-forestry purposes under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, are mandatorily being processed online in the PARIVESH portal. As a result, the whole process is not only becoming faster and more transparent, it is now possible to get status of any proposal or generating any report directly from the above mentioned portal.

2. However, it is seen that the physical copies of the General approvals by State Governments and approvals of proposals as delegated to the Regional Offices are being sent to the Ministry. Having an organized online portal of PARIVESH, it is not only superfluous to distribute physical copies, it also consumes a lot of resources in managing and keeping record of those references in the Ministry.

3. In view of this, State Governments, UTs and Regional Offices of the Ministry are requested not to send physical copy of any order of Stage-I and Stage-II approvals under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 to the Ministry henceforth. However, it must be ensured that the copies of such approvals are uploaded and made available on the PARIVESH Portal of this Ministry without fail.

Yours faithfully,

(S. Anwan Kumar Verma)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests

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1. PCCFs/Nodal Officers (FCA), All States/UTs
2. DIGF(FC)/AIGF(FC).
3. PPS to DGF&SS/PPS to ADGF (FC)/PS to IGF (FC), MoEF&CC, GoI.