

OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER,
JHARSUGUDA FOREST DIVISION, JHARSUGUDA.

Memo No. 4308 /Dated 05-12-2016

To

The Regional Chief conservator of Forests,
Sambalpur Circle.

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 0.799 ha of Revenue Forest land (Gramya Jungle) for expansion of Line-II of railway line at Jharsuguda Cement Works, Ultra Tech Cement Ltd in Jharsuguda (JCW) by Ultra Tech Cement Ltd in Jharsuguda district.

Ref: Online submission of forest diversion proposal No.FP/OR/IND/16543/2015 and State Sl. No.OR-88/2015, dt.26.12.2015 received in this Office on 04.01.2016.

With reference to the above on the captioned subject, I am submitting herewith the proposals for diversion 0.799 ha of Revenue Forest land for construction of Railway line-II by M/S Ultra Tech Cement Ltd, Jharsuguda Cement Works, Dhutra, Jharsuguda in five copies for onward transmission for obtaining approval of Central Government of India under Section-2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

1. Brief Description:

Ultra Tech Cement Ltd., Jharsuguda Cement Works is a part of Aditya Birla Group of Company which was previously under the L & T Group of Companies. The L & T Cement Division, Jharsuguda was demerged in 2004 after during 2004 after Grassim made the 30% open offer for equity shares and christened Ultra Tech Cement. Jharsuguda Cement works, a grinding Unit producing Portland Pozzolana Cement is under the integrated plant "Hirmi Cement works". It is situated near Dhutra Railway Station on Mumbai-Howrah Railway Line. The distance of Plant is 9 kilometers from District Headquarter, Jharsuguda and it stands in the midst of three villages i.e. Arda, Dhutra & Champapada. 165.25 acre of land is involved for establishing cement unit. Out of the total land, 158.92 acres is private land & 6.33 acres is Govt. land. The land was procured through Orissa Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation and was allotted to the Company (Larsen & Turbo Ltd) vide their letter No.ID:JHS:6/93/16622, dt.28.08.1993 and the land was registered vide lease deed dated 13.06.1994 against Ultra Tech Cement Ltd., Jharsuguda.

Due to the expansion of project activities by Ultra Tech Cement Ltd., Jharsuguda Cement Works from time to time, the existing railway line inside plant for transportation of raw materials & finished product is not enough to cater placement of a complete rail with 42 wagons. The loading & unloading system in the existing railway line is affecting a lot to the Company and heavy demurrage is being charged by Indian Railways

authority. To save the Company from financial loss caused by paying heavy demurrage charges and to cater a full rail with 42 wagons in a single line, completion of loading & unloading process within free railway time, there is an extra requirement of 10.29 acres of land (5.50 acres of Govt. land & 4.79 acres of Pvt. Land) is required. Out of the total land, 1.975 or 0.799 ha of Revenue Forest Land is coming within the RoW of proposed railway line-II. To facilitate rail movement, it is inevitable to expand the railway line by the Company.

2. Map.

The User Agency has enclosed the maps with the forest diversion proposal as indicated below .

SL No.	Particulars	Scale	Plate No.
1	Location plan of the proposed railway line (Toposheet No.F45M1) required for diversion.	1:50,000	I
2	DGPS map of Revenue Forest land	1:1000	II
3	Authenticated revenue village sheet of Arda village..	1:4000	III

3. Forest land.

The details of Sabik kissam forests involved in this project is furnished below.

Name of Tahasil	Name of village	Khta No.	Plot No.	Total area in acs.	Proposed area in acs	Kissam	Remarks
Jharsuguda	Arda	619	5493(P)	8.20	1.975 or 0.799 ha	Gramya Jungle	As per DGPS survey.

4. Flora and Fauna.

No tree is available in the revenue forest land proposed for diversion. No rare or endangered flora or fauna is noticed in the area in question. Wild animals is also not available. Rapitiles like Endua, common cobra, frog etc are seen in the revenue forest land proposed for diversion but their population is very thin. Occasional movement of wild elephants is noticed especially during crop harvest season in the localities.

5. Wild Life Management.

The area does not form part of National Park/ Wild life Sanctuary/ Elephant corridor. Moreover, no important wildlife are available in the said locality. So, preparation of Wild Life Management Plan is not felt necessary to be prepared for the purpose.

6. Trees enumeration

No tree is available in the forest land proposed for diversion.

7. Resettlement and Rehabilitation.

Not required, since the proposed railway track is not passing through any habitat.

8. Compensatory Afforestation:

The forest land proposed for diversion is below 1.0 ha. Hence, CA may not be levied.

9. Cost Benefit analysis.

The cost benefit analysis is not required for this proposal as the forest area comes below 20.0 ha.

10. Environmental Clearance.

Environment clearance is not required as per para 7(f) of MoEF Guideline of 14th September, 2006.

11. Location Plan for railway siding.

The said plan has been prepared by the UA is enclosed in *Plate-I*.

12. Violation.

No violation is observed.

13. Compliance of Schedule Tribe & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Right) Act, 2006.

The Collector, Jharsuguda shall supply the certificate under Schedule Tribe & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Right) Act, 2006 directly to RCCF, Sambalpur as per Gazette of India Notification dt. 14.03.2014.

14. Deposit of NPV.

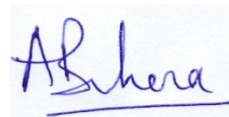
The User Agency will pay the NPV for which an undertaking has been submitted is enclosed with the proposal.

15. Others.

- i) Site inspection report of DFO, Jharsuguda Forest Division is enclosed.
- ii) Part-II is enclosed.

16. Recommendation.

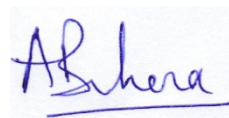
The proposal for diversion of 0.799 ha for construction of railway line-II in favour of Ultra Tech Cement Ltd., Jharsuguda Cement Works is recommended.



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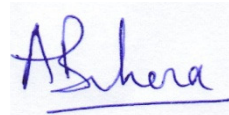
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Copy forwarded to the Deputy General Manager, HR & Admn., Ultra Tech Cement Ltd., Jharsuguda Cement Works, Near Dhutra Rly. Station, PO-Arda, Dist-Jharsuguda. for information and necessary action.



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