

**Note on violation of FCA, 1980 and action taken for violation against the diversion of proposed forest land of 10.52175 ha for development of Tourist Destination at Narikel Kunja Island, Dumboor Lake, Dhalai District  
(State Sl.No.FP/TR/Others/49971/2020):**

The Narikel Kunja Island is one of the tourist destinations in Tripura state situated in one Island of Dumboor Lake in Gandacherra Sub-Division under Dhalai district since long decade. The place was kept as desert as the situation was not conducive for tourists due to insurgency problem over the area for last 2 decades. Now, after becoming situation conducive over the area, the Tourism Department, Govt. of Tripura has taken initiative to develop the place for tourists under Swadesh Darshan Scheme of Ministry of Tourism (Govt. of India) as it is a Govt. priority works and accordingly the Tourism Department, Govt. of Tripura has proposed for diversion of 10.52175 ha forest land for development of tourism infrastructures as the status of land is a forest land (UGF). Accordingly the joint site inspection with user agency was carried out on 16-03-2021. During joint site inspection, it was observed that clearance of forest land, site development and some construction works have already been carried out like construction of Building portion, Sanitary installation (Toilet Block), Ticket Counter and Path way etc. measuring area of about 0.81 ha violating the FCA, 1980 unknowingly. The user agency was asked to provide name of person responsible of violation, designation and address of person responsible for violation and period of work done (years) for the said works for taking further necessary action in this regard. After a long time of about 10 months, the Tourism department has sent the name of person responsible of violation, designation and address of person responsible for violation and period of work done. The responsible person is designated as a contractor namely Shri Kashinath Bhattacharjee of Krishnagar, Agartala and the violation work carried out during 2017. Accordingly, a show cause notice was issued to the person responsible for violation or construction of works in forest land illegally. An Offence Report has been drawn (OR No.29/WLPU-GNC/2021-22) against him under Section-32 & 33 of Indian Forest Act, 1927. The details of Action Taken report as per format is attached here with.

Since the proposal under FC Act,1980 is under consideration and forest land is diverted before grant of FC, so the guideline 3.B(ii) shall be imposed which is equal to 20% of NPV for 10.52175 ha with 12% simple interest till the deposit is made.

  
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**Details of Action Taken report for violation under FC Act,1980 as per format:**

SN	Particulars	Reply
1	Describe nature of offence and its extent	Clearance of forest land, site development and construction works like construction of building portion, sanitary installation (Toilet Block), Ticket Counter and Path way etc. measuring area of about 0.81 ha.
2	Name of circle, District, Division, Range, Forest Block, Compartment number	Dhalai district, Gandacherra Sub-Division, Raishyabari Range, Twichakma Beat, No Block information is available, area outside of Working/Management Plan.
3	Others details of RF/PF/Unclassified Forests/Revenue Forests/Private Forests/area defined as Forests under dictionary meaning/any area recorded as forests in any Government record	UGF
4	Area affected due to violation (Photographs/films etc)	Attached (Photograph).
5	Number, species and girth class wise details of trees felled, outturn, present market value, value of standing growth and potentials revenue from MFPs	No trees found, only shrubs vegetation found in the violated area.
6	Date of detection of offence	16-03-2021
7	POR/FTR number	OR No.29/WLPU-GNC/2021-22
8	Section No. Act(s), rule no. and Rule(s) violated	Section 26(A), Section-32 & 33 of IFA,1927
9	Order No. responsible for violation including deemed violations	17(26)/EE/AMB/PWD(R&B)/2100-13 dated 18.07.2017
10	Issuing Authority, Name and Designation of officer(s) who passed the order(s), present postings(s)	Sri Kashinath Bhattacharjee, Contractor, Thakurpalli, Krishnagar, Agartala, West Tripura.
11	Is violation still continuing?	No
12	Toposheet of survey of India (scale 1:50,000) and /or forest stock maps (scale 1:50,000) indicating location etc. with relevant details.	Copy enclosed with Part-II
13	Any treat coercion, unnecessary interference brought on investigation officer (enclose documents if any)	No

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