

Recommendation

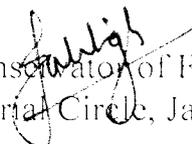
The forest land proposed for the diversion forms the part of total 25 acres of land that was allotted to Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited by Adityapur Industrial Area Development Authority in 1998. The proposal to divert 21.60 acres of forest land itself forms a part of 276.97 acres of forest land for which Adityapur Industrial Area Development Authority has submitted a proposal for diversion under provisions of Forest Conservation Act, 1980. Ministry of Environment, Forest of Climate Change, Government of India and Department of Environment, Forest of Climate Change, Government of Jharkhand had raised some queries regarding Adityapur Industrial Area Development Authority's proposal. Adityapur Industrial Area Development Authority is yet to comply with the raised queries.

Under these circumstances, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited has submitted a proposal to seek Environmental Clearance to expand its LPG bottling plant. State level Environment Impact Assessment Authority imposed a condition for grant of environmental clearance as –

“Environment clearance shall be valid subject to clearance of proposal u/s 2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980 for diversion of fresh forest land.”

Therefore DFO, Seraikela asked for NOC with respect to Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited's diversion proposal. The same has been submitted to DFO, Seraikela by Adityapur Industrial Area Development Authority.

As the expansion of the bottling plant will enhance the supply of LPG to consumers, the above proposal is recommended.


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