# Office of the Superintending Engineer, Angul Investigation Division, Angul.

(E-Mail Id - seidangul@gmail.com)

Letter No- 481 / Date- 10/04/2024

To,

The Divisional Forest Officer,

**Angul Forest Division** 

**Angul** 

Sub: - Proposal for diversion of 87.520 ha of forest land for construction of Hidsing Irrigation Project including alternative road in Angul Forest Division of under Angul District by Executive Engineer, Cuttack Investigation Division, Cuttack of Water Resources Department, Govt. of Odisha.

(Proposal No: FP/OR/IRRIG/28837/2017 and State Serial No. OR-36/2017, dated 28.08.2017)

Ref: - 1. Your letter no. 2778/76/2024/DRP, dated 06.04.2024

2. Letter no. 6304/FE&CC, dated 30.03.2024 of OSD-Cum-Special Secretary to Govt. FE & CC Department.

Sir,

In response to the above letters, we are herewith submitting necessary compliance report for taking necessary action at your end.

### Point No:-1

In the forwarding letter, in the 1<sup>st</sup> para of Page No.1, it has been mentioned that proposal for diversion of 87.520 ha of forest land (RF & PRF-38.619 ha + Rev. Forest-7.449 ha + Private Forest-21.902 ha +DLC forest-19.550 ha) for construction of Hidsing Irrigation Project including Alternate Road in Angul Forest Division under Angul District by Executive Engineer, Cuttack investigation Division, Cuttack of Water Resource Department, Govt. of Odisha is forwarded herewith in triplicate for obtaining approval of Government of India, MoEF & CC under Section-2 of the FCA, 1980 which has also been mentioned under the heading Brief Description at Page No.2 and the table regarding village wise break-up of forest land involved in this project (Table-I) at Page No.8.

But, under the heading 5. Forest land, it has been stated that the forest land 87.520 ha comprises 38.619 Ha of reserve forest (Bhogapala RF-7.699 ha + Krishnachakra PRF-27.246 ha + Balanga RF-3.661 ha + Madhapur RF-0.016 ha), revenue forest (7.276 Ha), Private Forest (22.075 ha) and DLC forest (19.55 ha) located in 15 villages. The same has also been mentioned in Table-2 (Page No. 8) regarding the Tahasil-wise break-up of the forest and non-forest land involved in this project under Angul.

### Compliance:-

In compliance to above Point No.1, it is clarified that total 87.520 ha of forest land is proposed to diverted for construction of Hidsing Irrigation Project including Alternative Road.

# Details of category forests are mentioned below:-

S. No.	Type of Forest Land	Area in Ha
1	R F & PRF	38.619
2	Revenue Forest	7.449
3	Private Forest	21.902
4	DLC Forest	19.550
Total		87.520

The authenticated total abstract of forest land schedule is enclosed as an Annexure - A.

Accordingly, the heading **5. Forest land** mentioned in letter no. 6128/9F(Irrg)-41/2019, dated 14.03.2024 of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Odisha will be changed.

# Point No:-2

Further, in Part-II of the DFO, Angul Forest Division (Page No.259/DP), it has been stated in Point No.7 (v)- Legal status of forest land that 21.902 Ha of private forest and 7.449 ha of Revenue Forest are required for the project, but in the Statement Showing Details of Forest Area Proposed for Diversion (Page No.34/DP), duly countersigned by DFO, Angul Division, 22.075 ha of Private Forest and 7.276 ha of Revenue Forest are required for the said purpose.

## Compliance:-

In Compliance to above Point No.2, it is clarified that, in Part-II of the DFO, Angul Division, it has been stated in Point No.7 (v) Legal status of forest land that 21.902 ha in Private Forest Land and 7.449 ha in Revenue Forest Land. Accordingly, we have changed the Statement Showing of Forest Land Proposed for Diversion (Check List No.7) has been changed as 21.902 ha of Private Forest Land and 7.449 ha of Revenue Forest land required for diversion.

The Statement showing the details of Forest Land (Check List No.7) is enclosed as an Annexure-B.

### Point No:-3

Also, in the Site Inspection Report of DFO, Angul Division (page No.263-265/DP), Point No.6 shows that, 7.276 ha of Revenue Forest and 22.075 ha of Private Forest are proposed for diversion, which contradicts Point No.8 (item-wise breakup of the forest land proposed for diversion), which indicated that 21.902 ha of Private forest & 7.449 ha of Revenue Forest are required for the project.

### Compliance:-

In compliance to the above point no.3, it is to clarified that the DFO, Angul Division will rectify the Site Inspection Report.

Herewith, we are submitting 5 (Five) sets of Compliance report for taking further action and request to forward the compliance report to higher authorities for necessary approval.

#### Enclosed:-

As above 5 sets

Yours Faithfully,

Superintending Engineer,
Angul Investigation Division