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No. 10692 /9F (Road) - 418/2021
Dated, Bhubaneswar the 16th May' 2025

To

The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central)
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
Regional Office, A/3, Chandrasekharpur
Bhubaneswar-751023

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 3.003 ha of forest land for improvement (RCPLWE-Phase-II Scheme) to Narigaon – Gilaguntha – Betabadi road from chainage 0/00 Km to 5/087 Km in Koraput district under Koraput Forest Division by the Executive Engineer, Koraput (R&B) Division - Stage-I compliance regarding.

Ref:- No.5-ORB586/2023-BHU dated 31.07.2023 of the Deputy Inspector General of Forests (C), Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar
Sir,

In inviting a reference to the above mentioned subject, this is to inform that Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar has accorded Stage-I/In-principle approval vide No.5-ORB586/2023-BHU dated 31.07.2023 for diversion of 3.003 ha of forest land for improvement (RCPLWE- Phase-II Scheme) to Narigaon – Gilaguntha – Betabadi road from chainage 0/00 Km to 5/087 Km in Koraput district under Koraput Forest Division by the Executive Engineer, Koraput (R&B) Division under Section 2 (1) (ii) of Van (Sanrakhsan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 subject to fulfillment of 9 nos. of conditions prior to handing over of forest land and 22 nos. of conditions after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department stipulated therein. The point wise compliance basing on the reports of the DFO, Koraput Forest Division and RCCF, Koraput Circle are as follows:-

A. Condition which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department.

Condition- i The user agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of 3.003 Ha. forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the Orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India Dated 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No.202/1995 and the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide its letter No.5-3/2011-FC (Vol.-I) dated 06.01.2022, 19.01.2022 & 22.03.2022. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal in CAMPA account of the State concerned.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that as per demand letter of the DFO, Koraput vide his Letter No.2156 dated 02.05.2024, the

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User Agency has deposited an amount of Rs.36,89,456/-(3.003 ha. X Rs.12,28,590/-) towards cost of NPV out of total deposited amount of Rs. Rs.1,05,42,764/- (Out of which Rs.36,89,456/- towards NPV & Rs.68,53,308 for CA) which is inclusive of the cost of CA online in State CAMPA A/c. vide UTR No. SBINR52024080640257239 dt.06.08.2024. The demand letter & deposit particulars are enclosed herewith as **Annexure- A Series**.

Condition- ii:- The identified non-forest land of 4.00 Ha. for raising Compensatory Afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in the name of Forest Department and notified as RF/PF prior to Stage-II approval.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the identified non-forest land at village Gumaguda under Nandapur Tahasil of Koraput District over 4.00 Ha for raising of Compensatory Afforestation has already been transferred and mutated in favour of Forest and Environment Department vide RoR issued by Addl. Tahasildar Nandapur Tahasil vide Khata No.77/1 over 4.0469 ha which is enclosed as **Annexure-B**. The draft notification proposal of the CA land for declaration as PF has been submitted to the State Government vide this office Memo No.9645 dated 02.05.2025, the copy of which is enclosed as **Annexure-B1**.

Condition-iii The land identified for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation /Addl. C.A shall be clearly depicted on a Survey of India Topo sheet of 1:50,000 scale.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished the map showing the land identified for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation which has been depicted on a Survey of India Topo sheet No.E44K11 of 1:50,000 scales duly signed by the DFO and Tahasildar concerned which is enclosed as **Annexure- C**.

Condition-iv:- The KML files of the area to be diverted and the CA areas shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details before issuing working permission towards linear project or submitting compliance report for seeking Stage-II approval, as the case may be.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the KML files of the forest area proposed to be diverted and the area identified for raising of CA have already been uploaded in e-Green watch portal and the screenshot copies of e-Green watch portal with undertaking furnished by the UA duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division and the Pendrive containing the KML file of the diverted land and as well as CA land are enclosed as **Annexure-D Series**.

Condition-v:- The user agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory Afforestation at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The Scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.

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Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the financial outlay of the CA Scheme over 4.0 of non-forest Govt. Land identified at village Gumaguda under Nandapur Tahasil of Koraput District under Koraput Forest Division has been approved by this office for Rs.36,79,500/-. Further, as per revision of wage rate the revised CA Scheme approved by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division with a financial outlay of Rs.68,53,308/- as per demand of the DFO, Koraput Forest Division vide his letter No.2532 dated 27.05.2024, the UA has deposited the cost of raising CA of Rs.68,53,308/- and cost of NPV for Rs.36,89,456/- total Rs.1,05,42,764/- in State CAMPA A/c vide UTR No. SBINR52024080640257239 dt.06.08.2024. Accordingly, in proof of payment the CA Scheme, the revised CA Scheme, the demand letter of DFO and payment particulars with undertaking furnished by the UA duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division etc. are enclosed as **Annexure-E Series**.

Condition-vi:- All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited in CAMPA account only through e-portal (Https://parivesh.nic.in). Amount deposited through other mode will not be accepted as compliance of the Stage-I clearance.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has deposited all the Compensatory Levies in State CAMPA account through e-portal for which the UA has submitted an undertaking to that effect duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division. The details of Compensatory Levies transferred by the user agency to the State CAMPA account has been furnished by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division in 12-point CAMPA Format with undertaking furnished by the UA duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division which are enclosed as **Annexure-F Series**.

Condition-vii:-The Compliance report of the Stage-I approval shall be uploaded on e-portal (https://parivesh.nic.in).

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that Stage-I compliance report shall be uploaded in e-portal which is enclosed as **Annexure-G**.

Condition-viii:-The complete compliance of the FRA, 2006 shall be ensured by way of prescribed certificate from the concerned District Collector.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished the required FRA certificate from the Collector, Koraput District vide order No.2185 dated 28.07.2021 in Form-I along with Gram Sabha Resolution and undertaking submitted by the User Agency duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division regarding submission of FRA Certificate from the District Collector, Koraput

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District. The copies of FRA certificates, Gram Sabha resolution are enclosed as **Annexure-II Series**.

Condition-ix:- *The boundary of the proposed forest land for diversion, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar, and GPS co-ordinates.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the boundary of the proposed forest land for diversion has been demarcated on the ground by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS co-ordinates with regard to demarcation, pillar posting and an undertaking furnished by user agency etc. which are enclosed as **Annexure-I Series**.

B. Conditions which need to be strictly complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval.

Condition-i:- *Legal status of forest land proposed for diversion shall remain unchanged.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that the legal status of forest land proposed for diversion shall remain unchanged which is enclosed as **Annexure -J**.

Condition-ii:- *Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over 4.00 ha. Non-forest land identified in Plot No.01, Khata No.76 of Kissam-Pahada of village Gumaguda under Nanda Tahasil of Koraput District under Koraput Forest Division within one year from the date of Stage-II Clearance and maintained thereafter by the State Forest Department, at the cost of user agency. The species to be planted in the CA scheme shall be of native species of the area.. At least 18 month old seedlings should be planted. Intensive monitoring of the plantation needs to be done and documents using Geo tagging so that the increase of canopy density and survival and growth of plantation can be evaluated at regular intervals.*

Compliance In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the financial outlay of the CA Scheme over 4.0 of non-forest Govt. Land identified at village Gumaguda under Nandapur Tahasil of Koraput District under Koraput Forest Division has been approved by this office for Rs.36,79,500/-. Further, as per revision of wage rate the revised CA Scheme has been approved by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division with a financial outlay of Rs.68,53,308/-. As per demand of the DFO, Koraput Forest Division vide his letter No.2532 dated 27.05.2024, the UA has deposited the cost of raising CA of Rs.68,53,308/- and cost of NPV for Rs.36,89,456/- total Rs.1,05,42,764/- in State CAMPA A/c vide UTR No. SBINR52024080640257239 dt.05.08.2024. Accordingly, in proof of payment the CA Scheme, the revised CA Scheme, the demand letter of DFO and

payment particulars etc. are enclosed as **Annexure-E Series**. The scheme has been prepared with 10 years maintenance period. The Compensatory Afforestation will be raised over 4.0 ha of non-forest land identified in Plot No.01, Khata No.76 of Kisam-Pahad of village Gumaguda, Nandapur Tahasil under Koraput Forest Division within One year from the date of Stage-II Clearance and maintained thereafter by the State Forest Department, at the project cost. In this regard the user agency has submitted an undertaking which is enclosed as **Annexure-K**.

Condition-iii:- At the time of payment of Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the user agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Korpaut Forest Division to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India which is enclosed as **Annexure-L**.

Condition-iv:- The user agency shall take up Avenue Plantation side of the alignment of the road at the project cost in consultation with the DFO. In this regard State Govt. shall adhere to the Ministry's letter No.7-12/2022-ROHQ dated 01.09.2022.

Compliance:- In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has prepared avenue plantation scheme in consultation with the DFO Koraput Forest Division. The avenue plantation scheme has been submitted by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division vide his Memo No.58 dt.04.01.2025 for Rs. 29,58,000/-. The said scheme has been approved vide Memo No.163 dated 08.01.2025 of the RCCF, Koraput Circle for an amount of Rs.29,58,000/-. In this regard, the copy of approved scheme and undertaking furnished by user agency duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division are enclosed as **Annexure-M Series**.

Condition-v:- The user agency shall explore the possibility of successful transplantation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Korpaut Forest Division that they shall explore the possibility of successful transplantation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department which is enclosed as **Annexure-N**.

Condition-vi:- The user agency shall use fly ash for the road construction and for filling up of void created due to soil borrows which will be followed by compaction and spreading of top soil over it as per Fly Ash Notification No.S.O.254(E) dated 25.01.2016.

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Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that they shall use fly ash for the road construction and for filling up of void created due to soil borrows which will be followed by compaction and spreading of top soil over it as per Fly Ash Notification No.S.O.254(E) dated 25.01.2016 which is enclosed as **Annexure-O**.

Condition-vii:-The user agency shall submit an undertaking to ensure that flanks of roads should be filled by transported soil and not with soil dug from the side of the roads.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that they shall ensure that flanks of roads should be filled by transported soil and not with soil dug from the side of the roads which is enclosed as **Annexure-P**.

Condition-viii :-The designing of new culverts/ bridges and redesigning the existing ones over the natural streams/ rivers/ canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, so that it does not hamper movement of wild animals including fishes & amphibians migration.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that the designing of new culverts/ bridges and redesigning the existing ones over the natural streams/ rivers/ canals should be done in such a manner that it does not hamper the natural course of water, does not give rise to water-logging, so that it does not hamper movement of wild animals including fishes & amphibians migration which is enclosed as **Annexure-Q**.

Condition-ix:-Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that Speed regulating signage will be erected along the road at regular intervals in the Protected Areas/ Forest Areas which is enclosed as **Annexure-R**.

Condition-x:- The user agency shall obtain Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 if applicable.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that Environmental Clearance is not applicable for the said project which is a linear one which is enclosed as **Annexure-S**.

Condition-xi:-No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the user agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that no labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the user agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas which is enclosed as **Annexure-T**.

Condition-xii:-No additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for any activity related to the project work.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that no additional or new path will be constructed inside the forest area for any activity related to the project work which is enclosed as **Annexure-U**.

Condition-xiii:-The user agency while executing works, shall not fell any tree or damage forest growth in the surrounding forest area in any manner.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that while executing works, they shall not fell any tree or damage forest growth in the surrounding forest area in any manner which is enclosed as **Annexure-V**.

Condition-xiv:-The layout plan of the proposed forest land shall not be changed without the prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that the layout plan of the proposed forest land shall not be changed without the prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change which is enclosed as **Annexure-W**.

Condition-xv:-The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal which is enclosed as **Annexure-X**.

Condition-xvi:-The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other user agency, department of person without the prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

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Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that the forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other user agency, department or person without the prior approval of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change which is enclosed as **Annexure-Y**.

Condition-xvii:-No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that no damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused which is enclosed as **Annexure-Z**.

Condition-xviii:- The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measure to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that the concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measure to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area which is enclosed as **Annexure-Z1**.

Condition-xix:-The user agency shall submit annual self-monitoring report on compliance of stipulated conditions to the Nodal Officer (FCA) of the State and concerned Integrated Regional Office of this Ministry by the end of March every year.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that they shall submit annual self-monitoring report on compliance of stipulated conditions to the Nodal Officer (FCA) of the State and concerned Integrated Regional Office of the Ministry by the end of March every year which is enclosed as **Annexure-Z2**.

Condition-xx:-Any other conditions that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may impose from time to time in the interest of Afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that any other conditions that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change may impose from time to time in the interest of Afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency which is enclosed as **Annexure-Z3**.

Condition xxi:-The State Govt. and user agency shall ensure compliance to provision of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT Order (s) & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that the State Govt. and user agency shall ensure compliance to provision of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT Order (s) & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project which is enclosed as **Annexure-Z4**.

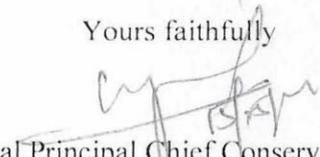
Condition-xxii:Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in Para 1.21 of Chapter-1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.

Compliance: In compliance to the above condition, the RCCF, Koraput Circle has reported that the user agency has furnished an undertaking duly countersigned by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division that violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in Para 1.21 of Chapter-1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No.5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019 which is enclosed as **Annexure-Z5**.

In view of the above, the compliance to the conditions imposed by Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar is sent herewith for according final approval for diversion of 3.003 ha of forest land for improvement (RCPLWE- Phase-II Scheme) to Narigaon – Gilaguntha – Betabadi road from chainage 0/00 Km to 5/087 Km in Koraput district under Koraput Forest Division by the Executive Engineer, Koraput (R&B) Division under Section 2 (1) (ii) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

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Yours faithfully

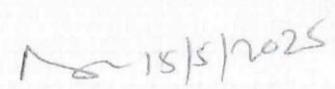

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act

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Copy alongwith one set of Stage-I compliance forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action with reference to No.5-ORB586/2023-BHU dated 31.07.2023 of the Deputy Inspector General of Forests (C), Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar.

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Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

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Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 10695 /Dt. 16-05-2025
Copy forwarded to the DFO, Koraput Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 1396 dated 22.04.2025 of the RCCF, Koraput Circle to his address.

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Copy forwarded to Superintending Engineer, Koraput R&B Division, Koraput for information.

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