

F. No. 8-46/2017-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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New Delhi: 110003,

Dated: ^{9th} May, 2018

To,
The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Chhattisgarh,
Raipur.

Sub: Proposal for prospecting of coal for use of 1745.883 ha of forest land of Kente Extension coal block in favour of Rajyasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited for exploration of coal reserves by undertaking 153 boreholes of 4" dia in Suguja District in the State of Chhattisgarh.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no. Bhu-Praband/Khanij/331-228/937 dated 27.03.2018 furnishing compliance report on the conditions stipulated in Stage-I Clearance letter of even number dated 19.12.2017.

2. After examination the compliance report, it is observed that in compliance to condition no.(x) of Stage-I Clearance the State Govt. reported that the proposal for notification has been sent to Govt. of Chhattisgarh vide this office Letter No. LM/MIN/331-228/917 dated 26-03-2018 & the same is under process, but in compliance to condition no. (vii) of Stage-I Clearance it is replied that the revenue forest land of 12.40 ha. has been identified for CA and further, the letter of Collector of Korea dated 11.01.2018 states that he has no objection for plantation on identified 12.40 ha. of Revenue Forest Land (Chhote Bade Jhar ke Jungle). **Thus, it is not clear whether the identified revenue forest land is being transferred in favour of State Forest Department under Section-4 or Protected Forest under Section-29 of the Indian Forest Act, 1927 or under the relevant Section(s) of the local Forest Act.**

In view of above, it is requested to clarify, as to whether the identified revenue forest land for CA would be transferred in favour of State Forest Department, to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,


(Sandeep Sharma) 9-5/18

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
2. The Addl. PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Nagpur
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell of Forest Conservation, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.


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