

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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Dated: December, 2023

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

Sub: Request for the consent to provide land for compensatory afforestation in other state as per the Guidelines of MoEF&CC vide reference no. 16837 dated 21-08-2023 in respect of Bhaskarpara Coal Mine, Proposal no. FP/CG/MIN/149564/2021.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the User Agency letter No. PIL/BSP/BCM/2023-24/227 dated 24.11.2023 on the above-mentioned subject and also to the Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no. भू-प्रबंध / खनिज/331-306/2593 दिनांक 22.11.2023 addressed to the User Agency wherein a NOC have been provided to the UA for giving the CA land in neighbouring state i.e. in Madhya Pradesh. Further, the UA vide letter no. PIL/BSP/BCM/2023-24/242 dated 12.12.2023 has informed that the land identified provided vide his letter dated 24.11.2023 could not be provided due to internal disputes between the farmers involved for sale of this land, the land could not be purchased & mutated. The matter was considered in the Advisory Committee meeting held on 18.12.2023.

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government and based on the recommendations of the Advisory Committee, it has been decided that the User Agency and State Government shall comply with the stipulated conditions of the Stage-I approval. Further, in case there is any change in CA land, the same shall be in compliance of the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide letter dated 21.08.2023 and the State Govt. shall inform the same along with required KML files, site suitability certificate, detailed CA scheme and required documents (Transfer and Mutation and notification of NFL into RF/PF) w.r.t. the identified CA land to this Ministry prior to or with the submission of compliance report w.r.t. the

stipulated conditions of the '*in-principle*' approval dated 21.08.2023.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)

Assistant Inspector General of forests

Copy to:

1. PCCF (HoFF), State Forest Department, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
2. Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
3. DDGF (Central), Regional Office of MoEF&CC at Nagpur.
4. IGF (Central), sub-office, Raipur.
5. User Agency.
6. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.