

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

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Dated: 16th February, 2021

**To,**  
**The Principal Secretary (Forests),**  
Department of Environment and Forests,  
Government of Arunachal Pradesh,  
Itanagar.

**Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section – 2(iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for grant of petroleum mining lease (PML) over an area of 252 ha Goju Anchal RF {75.0 sq km (7,500 ha)} of forest land in favour of Chief Engineer, Oil India Limited, Duliajan in Ningru extension Block, Changlang District in the State of Arunachal Pradesh. (Online Proposal No.FP/AR/MIN/1478/2006).- regarding.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Forest Department's letter No.FOR.642/Cons./2015/1704-06 dated 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2015 on the above mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section-2 (iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, and to say that the above mentioned proposal was considered in the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting on **25.11.2020**. The FAC observed that as per Site Inspection Report of Regional Office and DSS analysis, significant forest area is under encroachment.

In view of above, I am directed to request that the State Government shall take immediate legal action to evict the encroachment from the forest area and Integrated Regional Office (IRO), Guwahati shall monitor the steps taken by the State Government.

Yours faithfully,  
Sd/-

**(Sandeep Sharma)**

Asst. Inspector General of Forests

**Copy to:**

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
2. The Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Guwahati: **with a request to monitor the steps taken by the State Government to remove the encroachment from the forest area and report to the Ministry on monthly basis.**
3. The Nodal Officer, (FCA), Forest Department, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi, for uploading.