

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

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**Dated: 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2023**

To

**The Principal Secretary (Forests),**  
Government of Madhya Pradesh,  
Bhopal.

**Subject: Diversion of 151.095 ha forest land including 142.075 ha forest land in Forest Compartment No. RF-827 & RF-828 of Burhar Range of South Shahdol Forest Division and 9.020 ha Revenue forest land under various Khasra's for Bikram Coal Block Open cast & underground Coal Mining Project in favour of M/s Birla Corporation Limited under Shahdol District of Madhya Pradesh State (Online Proposal No. FP/MP/MIN/49537/2020) - regarding.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Principal Chief conservator of Forests (Land Management) and Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Government of Madhya Pradesh's letter No. F-1/829/2021/10-11/251 dated 17.01.2023 requesting for change of Compensatory Afforestation area (Non Forest land - 36.185 ha) at Village - Barha, Tehsil - Majhgawa, District - Satna in case of the in-principally approved proposal mentioned above.

In this regard, this is the second request for change in CA area, which has been received from the State Government in case of this proposal. The repeated change in CA areas indicates that due diligence has not been done by the user agency/State Government while submitting the proposals and finalizing the Compensatory Afforestation areas. The area proposed earlier was got inspected by the IRO and such repeated changes lead to undue pressure on the resources and wastage of time.

Therefore, before examining the present request, the State Government is requested to submit detailed justification regarding repeated changes in CA areas for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours sincerely,

  
(Suneet Bhardwaj) 02/02/23

**Assistant Inspector General of Forests**

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1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
2. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bhopal;

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3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal;
4. User Agency;
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.