

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

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Dated: February, 2024

To,

The Dy. DGF (Central),
Regional Office at MoEF&CC,
Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Proposal seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for non-forestry use of 34.63 ha (out of 35.985 ha applied for) of Revenue Forest land for establishment of 2 x 350 MW coal based TPP at Sahebganj and Barpali villages under Lakhanpur Tehsil in Jharsuguda district by M/s Ind-Barath Energy (Utkal) Limited - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Odisha's letter No. 10F (Cons)21/2014/2014/1336/F&E dated 20.01.2015 on above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The proposal pertains to regularization of encroachment. The Regional Office, Bhubaneswar of this Ministry may kindly inspect the area proposed for diversion, area identified for raising compensatory afforestation and submit detailed Site Inspection Report (SIR) to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,



(Amit Anand)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. Principle Secretary (Forests), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.