

F. No. 8-64/2007-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
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New Delhi-110 003,
Dated: 28 February, 2019

To,
The Addl. PCCF (C),
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change,
Regional Office (NEZ), Uplands Road,
Laitumkhrah,
Shillong-793003.
Meghalaya.

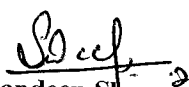
Sub: Proposal for diversion of 116.589 hectare of forest land in favour of M/s. Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited for limestone mining and other Ancillary activities in Sohra Tehsil, East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter no. No. 3-MG A 079/2007-SHI/Vol-II 2643 dated 15th October, 2018 in connection with compensatory afforestation(CA) including penal CA in lieu of diversion of 116.589 hectare of forest land in favour of M/s. Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited for limestone mining and other Ancillary activities in Sohra Tehsil, East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya. In this regard, it is clarified if degraded forest land is not available for CA than the CA may be raised over non-forest land as proposed, provided non-forest land is transferred to State Forest Department and notified as 'forest' under Indian Forest Act.

In view of above, RO shilling may be requested to examine the matter in consultation with state Govt. and send the detailed proposal along with shape/KML file for CA/PCA for consideration by FAC for change of conditions.

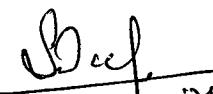
Yours faithfully,


(Sandeep Sharma) 28/2/19

Assistant Inspector General of Forests(FC)

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1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Meghalaya, Shillong.
2. The Nodal Officer, FCA, Forest Department, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Meghalaya, Shillong.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.


(Sandeep Sharma) 28/2/19
Assistant Inspector General of Forests(FC)