

File No. **3-ASC/148/2022-GHY**
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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To,

The Special Chief Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forests & Environment,
Government of Assam,
Dispur,

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 (1) (ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 in favour of Md. Imdad Ali, Assam for non-forestry use of 5.42 ha. Reserved forest for operation of Lankaijuri Stone Mahal in Doboka Reserved Forest under Nagaon Division, Hojai District in the State of Assam (Online proposal No. FP/AS/QRY/155191/2022)- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to above mentioned subject and to inform that the issue related to proposal for seeking prior approval of Central Government for **non-forestry use of 5.42 ha. Reserved forest for operation of Lankaijuri Stone Mahal in Doboka Reserved Forest under Nagaon Division, Hojai District in the State of Assam** was considered by the Advisory Committee (AC) in its meeting held on 27.02.2026. The detailed minutes of the said meeting is placed on the website of this Ministry: www.parivesh.nic.in.

The Advisory Committee after detailed discussion and deliberation with the DDGF (Central), RO, Shillong and Nodal Officer, Government of Assam and after going through the facts of the proposal, the Committee decided to 'defer' the proposal with the following observations:

- i. In some of the mines in the area which were granted approval in the past, an excess area appears to have been broken in violation of the Adhiniyam. However, no concrete report on the action taken by the State Government to curb such unauthorized mining has been submitted. Accordingly, the State Government shall prepare and submit a comprehensive action plan to prevent illegal and unauthorized mining and undertake appropriate remedial measures for restoration of the areas that have been illegally or unauthorizedly worked. Besides, the State Government shall also submit the penal action taken against the offenders.
- ii. The State Government should submit the KML files for the area of the mining lease which has been approved in the past, along with the KML file of the excess area which has been broken in violation of the Adhiniyam.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to furnish clarification/information, as indicated above, for further necessary action in the matter.

This issue with the approval of Competent Authority of the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Charan Jeet Singh)

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Forest Department, Govt. of Assam, Guwahati.
2. The DDGF (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Shillong.
3. The CCF-cum-Nodal Officer, Forest Department, Government of Assam, Guwahati.
4. The User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading.