

File No. 3ASC/152/2022-GHY
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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New Delhi – 110003
Dated:29-04-2025

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 Sri Bishnu Ram Bordoloi, Assam for non-forestry use of 5.12 ha. of Reserved forest land for Operation of Beldenga Stone Mahal in Doboka Reserved Forest under Nagaon Division, Hojai District in the State of Assam (Online proposal No. FP/AS/QRY/153044/2022)- 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 5.12 ha. of Reserved forest for Operation of Beldenga 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 16.04.2025. 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 DIGF (Central), Regional Office, recommended that observations made in the agenda item pertaining to the Bheleuguri Stone mining lease of M/s Md. Kamal Ahmed shall apply mutatis mutandis in the extant proposal also. In addition to said observations, the following detail shall be submitted by the State for its further consideration by the Committee:

- i. The KML file of the proposed area depicting the safety zone area should be uploaded on PARIVESH by the State Government.
- ii. Discrepancies in the area of safety zone and number of trees as revealed in the inspection report shall be rectified and accordingly updated in the online proposal in PARIVESH.
- iii. Examination of Google Earth Satellite Imagery revealed an unmetalled road in the area proposed for CA. The State Government may clarify whether the said road is being used by the local communities for connectivity or otherwise and alternate means of connectivity, if required, in case the same is closed to ensure protection of proposed CA land.

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

Yours faithfully,

(Charan Jeet Singh)
Scientist 'E'

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1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Forest Department, Govt. of Assam, Guwahati.
2. 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.