

F. No. 8-06/2016-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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New Delhi: 110003,

Dated: 27th May, 2016

To

The principal Secretary (Forest),
Government of Jharkhand
Ranchi

Sub: Sub: Proposal for diversion of 291.17 hectares of forest land for Punasi Reservoir Project under the Deoghar Forest Division, Jharkhand State.

Sir,

I am direct to refer to the State Govt. of Jharkhand' letter No Van Bhoomi – 25/2015/1244 dated 03.03.2016 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the said proposal has been examined by the Forest Advisory Committee in its meeting convened on 03.05.2016. The detailed minutes of the FAC meeting held on 03.05.2016 is placed on the website of this Ministry: www.forestclearance.nic.in. After examination of the said proposal, the Forest Advisory Committee recommended the proposal with general, standard conditions and following specific conditions:


- a. Imposition of Penal NPV for twice the area of **30.25 Ha.** ha for the time period for which area remained under violation of FCA 1980,
- b. Penal compensatory afforestation to be raised over an area 5 times in extent to the area under violation i.e. **30.25 ha.**
- c. The FAC also noted that the 26 CA sites made available for compensatory afforestation are great in number with many of the patches being too small to manage. The FAC recommended that the CA sites should be reselected keeping in mind that these should not be more than 10 in number. Accordingly a revised CA scheme be prepared and submitted along with an undertaking from the User Agency to fund the same. The sites shall be inspected by the Regional Office and shall be finalized only on the satisfaction of the Regional Office.
- d. The forest clearance from the MoEFCC shall be subject to the conditions imposed by the Hon'ble Court.


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2. The FAC also recommended that the file would be put up for approval of the competent authority only on receipt of revised CA scheme along with suitability certificate and duly approved by the State Government and also the undertaking from the user agency to make payment of NPV of the forest land proposed to be diverted.

In view of above, I am directed to request the State Govt. of Jharkhand to submit the above information as indicated in para (i) above at the earliest to this Ministry for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,



(Rajagopal Prashant)

Assistant Inspector General of Forest (FC)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
2. The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Eastern Regional Office, Ranchi.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Office of the PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
4. User agency
5. Monitoring Cell FC Division
6. Guard file.



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