

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj,
New Delhi: 110003,
Dated: June, 2023

To,

The DDGF (Central),
Integrated Regional Office,
Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the central Government under Section 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd. for non-forestry use of 168.948 ha of forest land adjacent to South Kaliapani Mines for dumping of overburden of South Kaliapani and Sukurangi Chromite Mines under Cuttack Forest Division, Odisha (Online Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/32908/2018)

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Odisha's letter No. No. 5264/9F (MG) 374/2018 dated 17.03.2023 on the above-mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to request that the Integrated Regional Office, Bhubaneswar of this Ministry may kindly inspect the area proposed for diversion and please verify if any violation of the FCA, 1980 has been carried out. The Site Inspection Report (SIR) may be submitted within 15 days to the Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-
(Suneet Bhardwaj)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

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