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To

**The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests),**

Government of Odisha,  
Bhubaneswar.

**Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 1.84911a. of Forest land for implementation of Dhamra-Haldia Pipeline (DIPI,) project, a spur line of Jagadishpur-Haldia-Bokaro-Dhamra Pipeline (JHBDPL) project in Bhadrak, Balasore & Mayurbhanj Districts of Odisha by GAIL (India)- regarding.**

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Odisha's letter No. 16515/9F (Pipeline)-401/2022 dated 05.08.2025 on the above subject submitting pointwise compliance report of conditions stipulated in Stage-I approval dated 08.01.2025 and to say that after examination of the compliance report the following has been observed.

- i. In compliance to condition no. 7 of Stage-I approval, action has not been initiated under section 3 (A)/3 (B) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for violation of the provisions of Adhiniyam.
- ii. With regard to condition no 8 of Stage-I approval, the State Govt. has not submitted the fresh site suitability certificate for CA land. The DGPS survey which was done in 2022 has been submitted, whereas it was specifically mentioned in the condition that "*It has been observed that pits are visible over the DFL proposed for CA (as per the satellite imagery available on 29.04.2010). The suitability of the CA area in view of the same shall be ascertained by the state and if needed alternate DFL shall be provided for CA and requisite details shall be submitted prior to final approval*". The needful may be done accordingly.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to furnish information, as indicated above, for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

**(Suneet Bhardwaj)**

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

**Copy to:**

1. The PCCF (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
2. The DDGF (Central), Regional Office of MoEF&CC at Bhubaneswar.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi for uploading on PARIVESH portal.