

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

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Dated: 31st August, 2023

To,

Additional Chief Secretary (Forests),
Government of Odisha
Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Thriveni Earthmovers private Limited for non-forestry use of 94.351 ha of forest land including 4.261 ha of Safety Zone (3.858 ha along the ML boundary and 0.403 ha along the PWD road) within the granted Lol for ML over 131.800 ha for Laserda Pacheri Manganese & Iron Ore Block in Keonjhar district of Odisha - reg..

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Odisha's letter No. FE-DIV-FLD-0002-2023-381/FE&CC dated 07.01.2023 and additional information submitting on 29.05.2023 on the above mentioned subject proposal, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Further, it is informed that the instant proposal was discussed in the Advisory Committee meeting held on 21.08.2023, wherein it has been decided by the Committee that the Nodal Officer (FCA) Government of Odisha shall give a presentation before the AC on the complete proposal including the issues of elephant conservation, HEC and the details of requirement of forest land for developing water, transport and electricity facilities in the instant proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Suneet Bhardwaj)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

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1. PCCF (HoFF), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
2. APCCF cum Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
3. DDGF (C), MoEF&CC's IRO Bhubneswar
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.