

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
(FC Division)

Indira paryavaran Bhawan,
Aliganj, Jor bag Road,
New Delhi - 110003
Dated: 12th September, 2018

To,

Sh. Pankaj Kumar Bansal,
Chairman & Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu Generation and
Distribution Corporation Limited (TANGEDCO) & TNEB Ltd.,
NPKRR Maaligai, Electricity Avenue,
144, Ana Salai, Chennai.

Subject: Prospecting in the Chandrabila Coal Block of Angul District in Odisha-regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your D.O. letter dated 12.08.2020 addressed to Secretary (EF&CC) regarding TANGEDCO- Chandrabila coal block for review of the decision of the Regional Empowered Committee (REC), Bhubaneswar on the proposal of M/S TANGEDCO & TNEB Ltd. (Earlier with NTPC) for prospecting in the Chandrabila Coal Block of Angul District in Odisha. In this regard, it is informed that this Ministry has recently issued a clarification vide letter No. 6-60/2020 WL Part (1) dated 16.07.2020 (**copy enclosed**) on procedure for consideration of developmental projects within 10 Kms of National Park/Wildlife sanctuary.

In view of above, it is advised that you may kindly examine your proposal in the light of recent clarification as referred above and if felt necessary, may submit proposal through Government of Odisha for review by REC, Bhubaneswar.

Yours faithfully,

Encl.as above.

Sd/-
(Sandeep Sharma)
Assistant Inspector General of forest (FC)

Copy for information to: -

1. The Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Coal, Sashtir Bhawan, New Delhi- with reference to his DO letter No.SDC/13/2020-CPIAM/SDC dated 01.05.2020.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
3. The Nodal Officer, Office of the PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
4. The Dy. Director General (Central), Regional Office, Bhubaneswar.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi-with a request to issue through e-mail to all concern.
6. PPS to Secretary(EF&CC), MoEF&CC, IPB, New Delhi.

F. No. 6-60/2020WL Part (1)
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Dated: 16 July, 2020

To
The Chief Secretary
All States/ UTs

Subject: Procedure for consideration of developmental projects located within 10 km of National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary by Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life seeking environmental clearance under the provisions of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 - regarding.

The Ministry has received letters from States/UTs seeking clarifications regarding applicability of consideration by Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life for developmental projects/activities which do not require environmental clearance and are located outside the National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries.

2. This Ministry vide O.M. F. No. 22-43/ 2018-IA. III dated 08.08.2019 lays out detailed procedure to be adopted for consideration of developmental projects located within 10 km of National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary seeking environmental clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006.

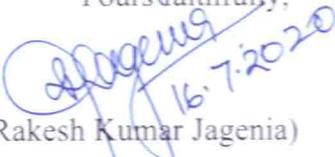
3. After careful consideration of the matter, it is clarified that prior clearance from the Standing Committee of the National Board of Wild Life will be required outside Protected Area in the following cases:

- i. Proposals involving project/ activity located within the notified ESZ (not being draft notification) and listed in the Schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and requiring environment clearance, prior clearance from Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life will be required.
- ii. Proposals involving activity/project located within 10 km of National Park/Wildlife Sanctuary wherein ESZ has not been finally notified and listed in the Schedule of the EIA Notification 2006 and requiring environment clearance, prior clearance from Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild Life will be required.
- iii. Proposals involving activity/project, falling outside the protected areas linking one protected area or tiger reserve with another protected area or tiger reserve, prior clearance from the Standing Committee of the National Board for Wild

Life as per the section 38 O(1)(g) of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 will be required.

4. Para 4(ii) and para 4(iv) of the OM dated 08.08.2019 supra shall however continue to apply.
5. State Governments are requested not to insist upon wildlife clearance for such developmental projects outside Protected Areas that are not covered under para 3 above.
6. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,


16.7.2020

(Rakesh Kumar Jagenia)

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Copy to

- (1) Addl. Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary / Secretary, Forest and Wildlife Department (All States/ UTs)
- (2) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF (All States/ UTs)/ Chief Wild Life Wardens (All States/UTs)
- (3) Dy. Director General (Central), Regional Office, MoEFCC (All)
- (4) Sr. PPS to Secretary MoEFCC/Sr. PPS to DGF&SS/Sr.PPS to ADG (FC)/ Sr PPS to ADG(WL)/ Sr. PPS to MS (NTCA) / Sr PPS to AS (RA)/ Sr. PPS to IGF (FC)/ Sr. PPS to IGF(WL)/Sr. PPS to IGF (FC)/ Sr. PPS to Adv (SCG)/ Sr. PPS to DIG (WL)/ Guard File