F. No. 8-118/2006-FC Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (FC Division)

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Dated: 26th May, 2016

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Department of Environment & Forests, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section – 2(iii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for grant of petroleum mining lease (PML) over 540.0668 Sq Km (54006.68 Ha.) of forest land in favour of Chief Engineer, Oil India Limited, Duliajan in Ningru extension Block, Changlang District in the State of Arunachal Pradesh – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh's letters No. FOR.14-8/Cons/2003/1711-13 dated 18th December 2015 and letter no. FOR.14-8/Cons/2003/Part/291-293 dated 10.03.2016 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. 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 *inter alia* recommended that the following clarification and documents be obtained:

- i. The state government shall provide the details of approval under FC Act 1980, if any obtained for execution of lease deed in year 1997 for a period of 20 years with effect from 1983 to 2003. It may also be clarified if any well was operating in the area after expiry of lease in 2003.
- ii. The State Government shall also provide its comments on the observations contained in the Site Inspection Report of the Regional Office of the MOEF & CC.
- 2. Accordingly, I am directed to request the State Government to submit the information / documents, as indicated above, for further consideration of proposal in the Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

Encl. photocopy of SIR done by RO.

(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

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1. The PCCF, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.

- 2. The Nodal Officer, Office of the PCCF, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar.
- 3. The Add. PCCF (Central) Regional Office, Shillong.
- 4. Guard file.
- 5. Monitoring Cell.

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