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

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To

The principal Secretary (Forest),
Government of Odisha
Bhubaneshwar

Sub: Proposal for diversion of the balance forest land of 11.006 hectares (Safety Zone – 9.778 ha and area for public purpose – 1.228 ha) excluding 177.517 ha of already diverted forest land out of total forest land of 188.523 ha within the applied mining lease area of 188.523 ha for Iron, Manganese and Bauxite Mining in village Kalmang, Jaldihi, Sidimba and Tantigram (KJST) under Koira Tehsil of Sundargarh District by Sri Prabodh Mohanty, Legal heir of Late S. N. Mohanty during the mining lease period to be granted / executed under amended provision of MMDR Act , 2015.

Sir,

I am direct to refer to the State Govt. of Odisha' letter No 10F (Cons) 324/2015. 18879/F&E dated 28.10.2015 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the said proposal has been examined by the Forest Advisory Committee in its meeting convened on 03.05.2016. 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 recommended the proposal with General, Standard and following specific conditions:

- (i) Compensatory Afforestation area is moderately dense forest .State government may change the CA area or additional CA land to match the number of trees in normal plantation per ha to be selected.
- (ii) State government to submit revised CA scheme

2. The FAC also recommended that the file would be put up for approval of the competent authority only on receipt of revised CA scheme along with suitability certificate and duly approved by the State Government and also the undertaking from the user agency to make payment of NPV of the forest land proposed to be diverted.

In view of above, I am directed to request the State Govt. of Odisha to submit the information as indicated in para (1) above at the earliest to this Ministry for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,


(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneshwar.
2. The Nodal Officer, O/o PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneshwar.
3. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bhubaneshwar.
4. The User Agency.
5. The Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.
6. Guard File.


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