

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

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Aliganj, Jor Bag Road,
New Delhi - 110003.

Dated: 16 December, 2016

To,
The Principal Secretary (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 (5400668 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.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter No. FOR.642/Cons/2015/1711-13 dated 18.12.2015 submitting the about subject proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The proposal was placed before Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 9th & 10th November, 2016. The detailed minutes of the FAC meeting held on 9th & 10th November, 2016 is placed on the website of this Ministry: [www. Forrestclearance.nic.in](http://www.Forrestclearance.nic.in). After thorough deliberation FAC recommended providing following information & Till such time the proposal remain deferred:

- i. The proposed area for petroleum mining Lease appears to be in Namdapha Tiger reserve when seen on DSS. Comments of NTCA shall be sought.
- ii. The State Government shall provide specific comments on the Site Inspection Report (SIR) on Regional Office of the MoEF&CC.
- iii. State Government shall submit complete compliance on Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 in accordance with Ministry's guidelines dated 03.08.2009 read with 05.07.2013.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit information/comments as indicated at point (ii) & (iii) to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully


(Sandeep Sharma)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
2. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
3. The Addl. PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Shillong.
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Divisions, MoEF&CC
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