

F.No.8-06/2014-FC  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change  
(FC Section)

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Dated: January, 2015

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To

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (C),  
Eastern Regional Office, MoEF &CC  
A/3, Chandrasekharpur,  
Bhubaneswar-751023

Sub: Diversion of 401.78 ha of notified forest land and 107.55 ha of deemed forest land total 509.33 ha. for coal mining at Chakla Coal Block, Latehar Forest Division, Jharkhand in favour of Essar Power (Jharkhand) Limited.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government Letter no. Vanbhumi-01/2014/403 dated 27.01.2014 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 proposal has been examined by the Forest Advisory Committee.

2. In this regard, it is to inform that in view of Hon'ble Supreme Court' order in Writ Petition (CRL.) No. 120 of 2012 dated 24.9.2014 and the Coal Mines (Special Provision) Ordinance No. 5 of 2014 issued vide GOI Notification dated 21.10.2014 wherein the instant proposal has been listed at Sl. No.61 of the Schedule -I, which is defined as under:-

“ Schedule I coal mines means, - all the coal mines and coal blocks the allocation of which was cancelled by the judgement dated 25<sup>th</sup> August and its order dated 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2014 passed in Writ Petition (Criminal) No. 120 of 2012, including those allotments which may have been de-allocated prior to and during pendency of the said Writ Petition;”

3. In view of above, I am directed to convey the<sup>+</sup> instant Coal Mine has been de-allocated vide above Ordinance and accordingly the above proposal for diversion of 509.33 ha. for coal

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mining at Chakla Coal Block, Latehar Forest Division, Jharkhand in favour of Essar Power (Jharkhand) Limited stands closed.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority .

Yours faithfully

(T C Nautiyal)

Assistant Inspector General of Forest

copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Jharkhand.
2. The PCCF, Government of Jharkhand.
3. The Nodal officer, O/o The PCCF, Government of Jharkhand.
4. User Agency
5. Monitering Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC
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