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PARADIP PORT TRUST
PARADIP - 754142



#### ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

No. PPT/PIO/OE/59/18/442

Date: 07.02.2022

То

The Divisional Forest Officer, Mangrove Forest Division (Wildlife), Rajnagar, Kendrapada - 754225

### Sub: Diversion of Forest Area of 75.635 Hectares for "Development of Outer Harbour, Inner Harbour including Western Dock & Mechanization of existing Operational Berths by Paradip port Trust."

Ref: DFO Rajnagar Letter No.726/04F-342/2022, dt.05.02.2022.

Sir,

Inviting reference to the above, the issue raised is related to one 'Aahaar Kendra' and in this regard, following are the background facts and compliances;

- 1. Govt. of India have accorded Stage-I clearance for the Forest diversion of 75.635 Ha. vide F. No. 8-68/2018-FC, dt.31.12.2018 (Annexure-I).
- 2. PPT has deposited the requisite amount of Rs.6,32,89,478/- (Rupees six crore thirty two lakh eighty nine thousand four hundred seventy eight) only towards NPV, penal NPV & cost of implementation of compensatory afforestation vide UTR No.SBINR52019092100058053, dt.21.09.2019. Further, an additional amount of Rs.8,35,100/- (Rupees eight lakh thirty five thousand one hundred) only has been deposited vide NEFT No.SBIN520083199514, dt.23.03.2020 towards differential amount for wage hike.
- 3. As such, the conditions stated in the above approval letter dt.31.12.2018 have been complied & the same has been endorsed in the communication from State Govt. to MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide Letter No.11829/9F (IND)-371/2018, dt.19.06.2020 (Annexure-II).
- 4. Subsequently, MoEF&CC vide File No.8-68/2018FC, dt.21.08.2020 requested State Govt. to submit the action taken report as regard the condition at Sl. iv of the letter dt.31.12.2018 on the action initiated for any Forest Act violation as per the provisions of Govt. guidelines.
- 5. In response to the above, the requisite clarifications from the District Administration detailed out in the letter from Collector & District Magistrate, Jagatsinghpur vide Letter No.14445/Rev. dt.28.12.2020 (Annexure-III) along with other enclosures were forwarded as compliances from the State Govt. to the MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide Letter No.FE-DIV-FLD-0098-2021-12000/F&E, dt.13.07.2021 (Annexure-IV).

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In response to the above MoEF&CC, Govt. of India have requested to take action for any violation of the Forest Act and submit the compliance of the condition at Sl. iv of the Stage-I approval order. 7.

In this regard, it is to submit that the background facts on the above aspect has already been detailed out in the letter of District Administration (Annexure-III) that "the said Aahaar Kendra is an outlet for supply of food to poor and needy people at a nominal rate of Rs.5/- in urban areas at places of public congregation such as near hospital, bus stand, railway station, court, collectorate etc. under a social welfare scheme "Aahaar Programme" launched by Govt. of Odisha. Beneficiaries of this programme are mostly patients, attendant of patients, construction workers, labourers, rickshaw pullers, auto drivers, street children, rag pickers etc.

One such Aahaar Kendra is set up by Govt. of Odisha near Paradip bus stand during 2016 over a small patch of vacant land having few remnant/relics of old structures of Paradip Port Trust constructed during its beginning period in 1970s keeping in view that the land has already been under non-forestry use by the Port prior to Forest Conservation Act, 1980."

In view of the aforesaid background facts on Aahaar Kendra, the Forest Diversion proposal may please be processed further for onward transmission to MoEF&CC, Govt. of India for according Stage-II approval.

Yours sincerely

Encl: As above

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SE (H), PIO Paradip Port Trust







PARADIP - 754 142, ODISHA (INDIA)

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

No. PPT/PIO/OE/59/18/546

Date: 10.06.2022

То

The Divisional Forest Officer, Mangrove Forest Division (Wildlife), Rajnagar, Kendrapada - 754225

- Sub: Diversion of Forest Area of 75.635 Hectares for "Development of Outer Harbour, Inner Harbour including Western Dock & Mechanization of existing Operational Berths by Paradip port Trust".
- Ref: 1. DFO Rajnagar Letter No.726/04F-342/2022, Dt. 05.02.2022.
  2. PPA Letter No. PPT/PIO/OE/59/18/442, Dt. 07.02.2022.

Sir,

Please refer to the letters cited above. In continuation to the points enumerated, it is to submit that the Possession Register of the Structures/Shopping cum Residential units of the relevant area has been traced out which establishes that the Aahaar Kendra is a repaired structure which existed since 1960's. As such, this may not be any violation of the Forest Act which was promulgated at a later date. Copy of the relevant documents is enclosed as Annexure.

In view of the aforesaid background, the Forest Diversion proposal may please be processed further for onward transmission to MoEF&CC, Govt. of India for according Stage-II approval.

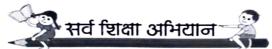
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Yours faithfully,

Paradip Port Authority

Encl: As above.





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PARADIP - 754 142, ODISHA (INDIA)

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

No. PPT/PIO/OE/59/18/555

Date: 20.06.2022

То

The Divisional Forest Officer, Mangrove Forest Division (Wildlife), Rajnagar, Kendrapada - 754225

# Sub: Diversion of Forest Area of 75.635 Hectares for "Development of Outer Harbour, Inner Harbour including Western Dock & Mechanization of existing Operational Berths by Paradip port Trust".

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3. PPA Letter No. PPT/PIO/OE/59/18/546, Dt. 10.06.2022.

Sir,

In continuation to the letter under reference at Sl. 3, the annexures enclosed therein are signed, sealed and submitted again. In view of the background facts given in the letter Dt. 10.06.2022, it is requested that the Forest Diversion proposal may please be processed further for onward transmission to MoEF&CC, Govt. of India for according Stage-II approval.

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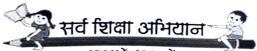
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Yours faithfully,

Paradip Port Authority

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (HARBOUR) ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY





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PARADIP - 754 142, ODISHA (INDIA)

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Date: 27.09.2022

No. PPT/PIO/OE/59/18/636

То

The Divisional Forest Officer, Mangrove Forest Division (Wildlife), Rajnagar, Kendrapada - 754225

- Sub: Diversion of Forest Area of 75.635 Hectares for "Development of Outer Harbour, Inner Harbour including Western Dock & Mechanization of existing Operational Berths by Paradip Port Trust".
- Ref: 1. DFO Rajnagar Letter No.726/04F-342/2022, Dt. 05.02.2022.
  2. PPA Letter No. PPT/PIO/OE/59/18/442, 546, 555, Dt. 07.02.2022/ 10.06.2022, 20.06.2022.

Sir,

Please refer to the letters cited above. In this regard, it is to submit that the Possession Register of the Structures/ Shopping cum Residential units of the relevant area has been traced out which establishes that that the building now being used as Aahaar Kendra is on a building which existed prior to 1980. As revealed from the old building register this was allotted as Republic Stores since 1965 which has been renewed many times. A Copy of the same duly attested is enclosed herewith.

In view of the above, it is requested to kindly appraise the Competent Authority for considering this fact and the Aahaar Kendra need not be treated as a violation under the FC Act.

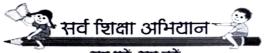
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Yours faithfully,

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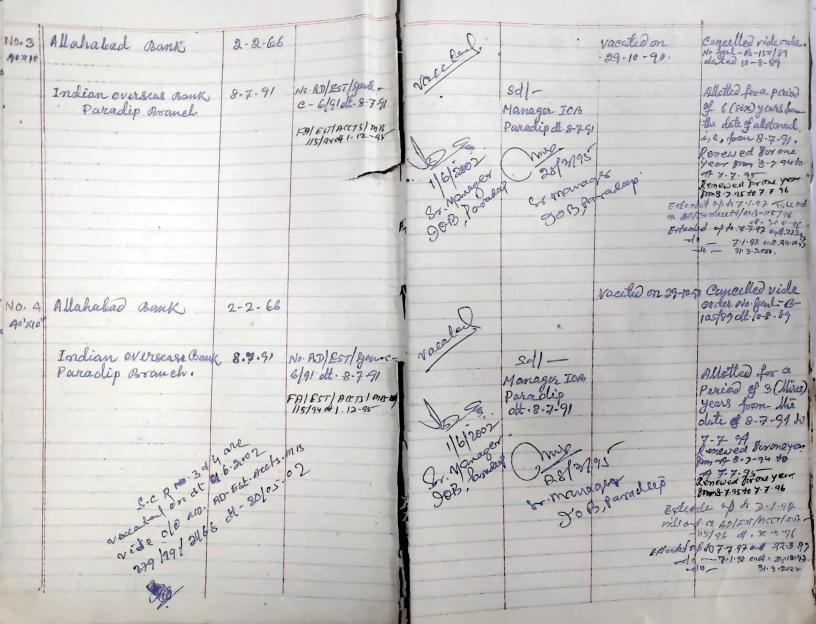
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No. 22320 Dated, Bhubaneswar the

From

To

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act) O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar

## The Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC) Government of India, MoEF & CC (FC Division) Indira Paryavaran Bhawan Aliganj, Jorbagh Road, New Delhi-110003

Sub: Non-compliance of condition regarding violation-Proposal for non-forestry use of 75.635 ha of forest land within the limits of Paradip Port Trust at Paradip coming under jurisdiction of Rajnagar Mangrove Division /Jagatsinghpur District, Odisha for development of Outer Harbour including Wester Dock & mechanization of existing operational berth by M/s Paradip Port Trust-Compliance to the GoI observations regarding.

Ref-: F.No. 8-68/2018-FC dated 12.10.2021 of the Scientist "D", GoI, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.

Sir,

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In reference to the GoI letter cited above on the captioned subject, the DFO, Mangrove(WL) division, Rajnagar and RCCF, Bhubaneswar Circle have reported that basing on the Possession Register of the Structures/Shopping cum Residential units of the Aahar Kendra furnished by the Paradip Port Trust, it is clear that the building was allotted as a republic store since 1965 and later on it is being used as an Aahar Kendra.

The said building existed prior to 1980 and has been renewed many times since 1965 and a copy of the same duly attested by the Senior Manager, IOB, Paradip is enclosed as Annexure-I Series.

Further, it is to inform that the Aahar Kendra is an outlet for supply of food to the poor and needy people at a nominal rate of Rs 5/- in urban area at places of public congregation such as near Hospital, Bus Stand, Railway Station, Court etc under a social welfare scheme "Aahar Programme" launched by Govt. of Odisha and the beneficiaries of this programme are mostly patients, attendant of patients, construction workers, labourers, rickshaw pullers, auto drivers, street children, rag pickers etc.

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In view of the facts stated above, it is requested to condone the penalty against grant of unauthorised permission to use forest land for non-forestry purpose and the Aahar Kendra may not be construed as an act of violation of FC Act, 1980 and accordingly Stage-II/Final approval order may please be accorded.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully

Principal Chief Conservator principals Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

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Copy along with its enclosures forwarded to the Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), GoI, MoEF & CC, Integrated Regional Office, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751023 for favour of kind information and necessary action. Encl: As above

Copy along with its enclosures forwarded to the OSD-cum-Special

Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to Memo

Memo No. 22323

No. 18561/FE&CC dated 25.10.2021.

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act /Dt. 0 3.11.2022

Copy forwarded to the RCCF, Bhubaneswar Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 3652 dated 17.10.2022.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 22324

/Dt. 03, 11.2022

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Mangrove(WL) Division, Rajnagar for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 3653 dated 17.10.2022 of RCCF, Bhubaneswar Circle.

Memo No. 22325-

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. Dt. 0 3 11 2022 Copy forwarded to the Superintendent Engineer(H), Engineering Department, Paradip Port Authority, Paradip Port Trust, At/Po-Paradip, Dist-Jagatsinghpur-754142 for information and necessary action.

> Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act