

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE Regional Office (WCZ) Ground Floor, East Wing New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001 apccfcetral-ngp-mef@gov.in

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To

The Principal Secretary, Govt. of Chhattisgarh, Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhavan, New Raipur (CG) - 492001

Sub: Diversion of 4.940 ha forest land in favour of CSPTCL for construction of 132 KV DCDS EHT Transmission Line under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 from Bishrampur to Kaushalpur in Surajpur District in the State of Chhattisgarh—regarding.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no F-5-30/2018/10-2 dated 9.10.2018, on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that examination of said proposal in Regional Office (WCZ), Nagpur revealed following:

- i. Date of submission has not been mentioned in Part-I and Part-III of Form-A.
- ii. Examination of CA site over google satellite imaginary revealed some mining activities with vehicular movements. State Government may submit a factual report in this regard.
- iii. Examination of alternatives examined before finalization of present alignment revealed that present alignment has been finalized after considering only one parameter, i.e. forest area. For want of detail examination, a comparative statement of parameters like forest length, number of trees, tree density, presence of endangered species, etc need to be submitted.
- iv. Details of employment potential in terms of man days of skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided.
- v. An undertaking may be obtained from the User Agency, in accordance with the MoEF&CC's Guidelines dated 7.01.2013.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit the complete information as mentioned above, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(N K Dimri)
Technical Officer

Copy to:

1. The PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur

- 2. The Nodal Officer FCA), O/o of the PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- 3. User Agency.
- 4. Guard File.

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