File No.8-35/2021-FC

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

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Dated: 28th October, 2022

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

Sub: Proposal for non-forestry use of 133.64 ha of forest land for Polpol Kalan PF of Khundri Range, Medininagar Forest Division for Relocation of Kujrum, Latu & other villages from Palamu tiger Reserve, Daltonganj, Jharkhand-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Jharkhand's letter No. Van Bhumi-20/2021-3641/ V.P. dated 22.12.2021 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal was examined by the Forest Advisory Committee in its meeting held on 21.09.2022. The Minutes of the FAC meeting may be accessed at www.parivesh.nic.in. After detailed discussion and deliberation on the proposal with the Nodal Officer (FCA), Jharkahnd and Regional Officer, IRO, Jharkhand, the FAC observed/ decided the following:

"with regards to the relocation site proposed for Lato village in Medininagar Forest Division, a clarification needs to be obtained from the State Government whether the site falls within the ambit of parameters fixed by Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 3.06.2022 so that the matter may be decided in the next FAC meeting".

In view of above, the State Government is requested to furnish information/clarification as per the observation of FAC for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-(Charan Jeet Singh) Scientist 'D'

Copy to:

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator Forests, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
- 2. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi
- 3. The Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, Ranchi.
- 4. User Agency
- 5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC

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