

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

Memo No. 24674 /FE&CC, Date 28.11.23

FE-DIV-FLD-0016-2023/ 10F-(Cons)-11/2023

Copy of Government of India, MoEF&CC, RO, Bhubaneswar vide Letter No.5-ORA556/2023-BHU dt.28.11.2023 along with enclosure on the matter of proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Odisha Coal & Power Ltd (OCPL) for non-forestry use of 342.87 ha of forest land for development of Dip Side Manoharpur Coal Mining Project in Sundargarh District of Sundargarh Forest Division, Odisha forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Odisha for kind information and necessary action.

He is requested to kindly furnish the desired information/ documents as sought for in the aforementioned letter directly to the Ministry under intimation to the MoEF &CC, RO, Bhubaneswar and to this Department.

d. 28/11/2023
OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 24675 /FE&CC Date 28.11.23

Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Odisha/ Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FD&NO, FC Act), O/o PCCF & HoFF, Odisha for information and necessary action.

d. 28/11/2023
OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Rourkela Circle/ Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Koraput Circle/ Divisional Forest Officer, Sundargarh Forest Division/ Divisional Forest Officer, Malkangiri Forest Division for information and necessary action.

d. 28/11/2023
OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to Steel & Mines Department/ R&DM Department/ Energy Department/ Director, Environment-cum-Special Secretary to Government, FE&CC Department/ Member Secretary, SPCB, Odisha/ Collector, Sundargarh/ Collector, Malkangiri for information and necessary action.

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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Addl. General Manager (Mines), Odisha Coal & Power Ltd, Hemgiri, Near IOCL Petrol Pump, Sundargarh, Odisha, Pin-770013 for information and necessary action.

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No.5-ORA556/2023-BHU

28th November, 2023

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary,
Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department
Government of Odisha,
Kharavel Bhavan, Bhubaneswar- 751001.



Sub: Proposal seeking prior approval of the Central Govt. under Section 2 (ii) of FC Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Odisha Coal & Power Ltd. (OCPL) for non-forestry use of 342.87 ha of forest land for development of Dip Side Manoharpur Coal Mining Project in Sundargarh District of Sundargarh Forest Division.

Ref: Ministry's letter No.8-63/2011-FC (Vol-I) daed 27.11.2023.

Sir,

With subject and reference cited above, I am directed to inform that Ministry vide letter under reference (copy enclosed) has informed that as huge patch of the forest land i.e. 51.64 ha is proposed to be used for dumping which is a non-site specific activity, a detailed review is required from the State Govt. and requested the State Govt. to furnish the above information.

It is therefore requested to furnish the above desired information to Ministry at the earliest under intimation to this office.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

T.H. Mahato
(Dr. T.H. Mahato)
Scientist 'D'

Copy to:

1. The Dy. Inspector General of Forests (FC), Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi-110003 for kind information.
2. The PCCF & HoFF, Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar - 751 023 for kind information and necessary action.
3. The PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar - 751 023 for kind information and necessary action.
4. The Director & CEO, Odisha Coal & Power Ltd., Hemgiri, Near IOCL Petrol Pump, Sundargarh-770013, Odisha for information and necessary action.

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Aliganj, Jor Bag Road,
New Delhi - 110003.
Dated: November, 2023

To

The DDGF (Central),
MoEF&CC's, Integrated Regional Office,
Bhubaneswar, Odisha

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Odisha Coal & Power Ltd (OCPL) for non-forestry use of 342.87 ha of forest land for development of Dip Side Manoharpur Coal Mining Project in Sundargarh District of Sundargarh Forest Division, Odisha (Online Proposal no. FP/OR/MIN/37631/2018).

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Odisha's letter No.FE-DIV-FLD-0016-2023-3667 dated 27.02.2023 and additional information submitted on 29.08.2023 on the above-mentioned subject proposal, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal was discussed in the Advisory Committee held on 14.11.2023. After thorough deliberation and discussion with CF (FCA), GoO and DDGF (Central), RO Bhubaneswar the Advisory Committee deferred the proposal with observations that as huge patch of the forest land i.e. 51.64 ha is proposed to be used for dumping which is a non-site specific activity, a detailed review is required from the state side.

In view of the Government of Odisha is requested to submit the above information as desired by the Advisory Committee at an earliest for further action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Dr. D. Manjunath)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. Principle Secretary (Forests), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
4. User Agency
5. Monitoring Cell of FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.

Signed by D Manjunatha
Date: 27-11-2023 15:34:16
Reason: Approved