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No.FP/JH/Substation/39837/2019 3249

Dated 28th June, 2019

То

The Addl. Chief Secretary, Department of Forests and Environment, Government of Jharkhand, Nepal House, Ranchi.

- Sub: Proposals under Forest (Conservation) Act 1980 in LWE Districts for diversion of forest lands (up to 5 ha with tree felling more than 50 trees per hectare) related to Power Substations (4) General approval under Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts reg.
- Ref: No.Van Bhumi-21/2019-2212/Va.Pa. dated 8.06.2019, letter No.Van Bhumi-25/2019-2322/Va.Pa. dated 25.06.2019, letter No.Van Bhumi-22/2019-2211/Va.Pa. dated 18.06.2019 and letter No.Van Bhumi-24/2019-2323/Va.Pa. dated 25.06.2019.

Sir,

Kind reference is invited to the State Govt. letters referred to here above. Upon examination of these proposals, it has been found that all 4 proposals involving diversion of forestland less than 5 ha are actually located in Left Wing Extremism (LWE) affected districts Chatra, Hazaribag and Seraikela.

As such, these proposals are to be approved under special dispersion of General Approval under Section 2(ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 by the State Government of Jharkhand as per the prescribed procedure. Since all four proposals also entail felling of trees in numbers more than 50 per ha, the cases have to be considered by the committee prescribed therein.

Further, these proposals would also require provisions of CA in degraded forest land over double the extent of forest lands to be diverted.

The extract of relevant guidelines in this context is enclosed for easy reference.

It is therefore appropriate that these four proposals are considered for approval by the State Government, Jharkhand after due deliberation in the prescribed committee.

Yours faithfully,

Bharat 30/6/19 (Bharat Jyoti)

(Bharat Jyoti) Addl. Director General (Central) 0/c

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