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सेवा में,

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विषय:- मेसर्स सी०सी०एल० के पुरनाडीह ओ०सी०पी० परियोजना हेतु 323.49 हे० वनभूमि अपयोजन का प्रस्ताव के संबंध में।

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महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक संदर्भ में भारत सरकार के प्रासंगिक पत्रों की छायाप्रति इस पत्र के साथ आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु संलग्न है।

अनुरोध है कि विषयगत अपयोजन प्रस्ताव में भारत सरकार के उक्त दोनों पत्रों द्वारा की गई पृच्छाओं का निराकरण प्रतिवेदन अपने मन्तव्य सहित उचित माध्यम से इस कार्यालय को अविलम्ब उपलब्ध कराने की कृपा की जाय।

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विश्वासभाजन,

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ज्ञापांक— १९१५ दिनांक— १८१५ प्रतिलिपिः— मुख्य महाप्रबंधक (पर्यावरण एवं वन), सी०सी०एल०, दरभंगा हाउस, राँची को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु प्रेषित।

प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक सह कार्यकारी निदेशक, बंजर भूमि विकास बोर्ड, झारखण्ड, राँची।

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F. No. 8-61/2018-FC Government of India

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bag Road, New Delhi - 110003. Dated: ೨೩೩ August, 2019

To

The Secretary, Ministry of Mines. Government of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 323.49 ha of forest land for Purandih OCP mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) in Chatra District, Jharkhand.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to the State Government's letter no. Van Bhumi-27/2016-3612/V.P. dated 27.08.2018 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Cetral Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to inform that said proposal was placed before Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 31st July, 2019. The detailed minutes of the FAC meeting held on 31st July, 2019 may kindly be accessed on the website of this Ministry (www.parivesh.nic.in).

The FAC, after thorough deliberations on the proposal and also taking note of the various provisions of the Coal Bearing Areas (Acquisition) Act, 1957 inter-alia recommended to obtain clarification of the Ministry of Mines on the following:

Is there any provision of lease area in CBA 1957? (i)

Can project area, for which mining plan is approved by competent authority, shall be taken as one (ii) lease area to analyse the fait accomplii situation as referred by Hon'ble supreme court in Lafarge Umiam v/s Union of India case in 2011 .

Can Forest land be acquired under CBA 1957? (iii)

What procedure shall be adopted legally to restore back the reclaimed forest land after completion of (iv) mining (which was acquired through CBA 1957) to forest department for uniform management.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the Ministry of Mines, Government of India to submit their comments, as per the observation of FAC, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(Sandeep Sharma Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi. 2. The Dy Director General of Forests (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Ranchi

3. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

5. Monitoring Cell (Forest Conservation Division).

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proposal inter-alia recommended obtaining following information from the State Government:

(i) State Government shall identify land bank of degraded forest land.KML files/shape files for exact 650 ha of degraded forest land as CA requirement for project proposal shall be submitted. (ii)

The State Government shall also inform the status of 81.20 ha of land (832.94-751.74=81.20ha) with in

total project area of 832.94 ha

State Government shall submit necessary certificate to confirm whether the site selected for non-forest use (iii) and also for compensatory afforestation is important from Religious/Archaeological point of view or not.

Certificate that the Compensatory area is free from encroachments and encumbrances shall be given by (iv) the state Government.

State Government shall also analyse the proposal in light of observation of Hon'ble Supreme Court in case of Lafarge Umiam V/s Union of India in 2011.

State Government shall submit details of the officials responsible for violation of provisions of FCA 1980 (vi) and appropriate action initiated against such persons/authorities as per provisions under relevant Acts.

State Government shall submit detail of safety zone area. (vii)

State Government shall provide details about the gaps/shortfall observed in the process of reclamation of viii) the mined area by CCL in other mines within the state.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the Ministry of Mines, Government of India to submit their comments, as per the observation of FAC, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

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