

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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

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To

Principal Secretary (Forests) Government of Chhattisgarh, Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhavan, New Raipur (CG).

Sub: Diversion of 2.37 ha of forest land in favour of CSPTCL for construction of 132 KV DCDS Line from 220/132 KV S/S Parswani to 132/25 KV Railway Tractions S/S Mahasamund Transmission Line under FCA, 1980 in Mahasamund District in the State of Chhattisgarh.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no. BHu-Prabandh.Vidyut/479-147/3472 dated 1.12.2017 on the above subject forwarding additional information as sought by the Regional Office, vide its letter of even number dated 23.08.2017 and to say that examination of the said information in the Regional Office revealed following:

- i. Part-I and Part-II mentioning the dates of submissions, stated to be submitted, have not been received along with the compliance.
- ii. Differential GPS map of the area proposed for diversion as well as area identified for CA have not been submitted. The same needs to be submitted along with soft copy of their kml and shape files.
- iii. Area calculation statement has not been submitted. Complete detail of patch wise area calculation statement providing RoW considered, length and breadth for forest as well as non forest land may be submitted by the State Government.
- iv. Details of survey numbers pertaining to the non-forest land have not been provided in the proposal. The same needs to be submitted duly authenticated by the DCF concerned stating that survey number pertaining to the non-forest land involved in the proposal do not fall in the category of deemed forest land on which provisions of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 are applicable.
- Valid and cogent justification establishing for inescapability for locating the project in forest area has not been submitted.
- vi. The employment potential of the project does not appear to be calculated appropriately as 125 mandays on temporary basis seems to be a quite meager number. 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 may be provided by the State Government.

In view of the above, I am directed to request the State Government to submit the information on the shortcomings, as indicated above, to this office for further necessary action in the matter.

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Yours faithfully

Charan Jeet Singh Scientist 'C'

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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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