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Memo No. <u>3769</u>/1F(Project) 13/2018 Dated //.2. 2018

To.

The Divisional Forest Officer Malkangiri Forest Division

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of 18.5 ha forest area for Construction of 220 KV transmission line from Balimela to Malkangiri by OPTCL EHT (Construction) Division, Jevpore in Malkangiri Forest Division. Proposal No. FP/OR/ TRANS/ 20912 / 2016.

Ref:

Your Memo No.3570 / 4F(Misc) dt 08.10.2018.

With reference to your above cited memo on the subject you are requested to furnish the required information on the following points.-

- 1. The User Agency vide their letter No.566 (5) dt 04.10.2018 have reported that after recommendation of the diversion proposal by State Nodal office, in anticipation of forest clearance, the work in the forest area was commenced during the month of January, 2018 by them. You are requested to verify the work in the field and intimate the period of completion of the work.
- 2. The User Agency reported that while erecting towers in forest area, utmost care was taken not to touch any tree. Please verify whether any forest growth has been damaged / affected due to such activity.
- 3. Provide a copy of Letter No.01 dt 29.01.2018 of the User Agency stating the grounds of erection of pillars in the project area without any permission from the competent authority.
- 4. Please report whether any other violation under F.C.Act, 1980 has been committed by the User Agency
- 5. Moreover, you are requested to furnish your specific views on the observations made by the Govt. of India, MoEF & C.C., ERO, Bhubaneswar vide their Letter dt. 15.05.2018.

Regional Chief Conservator of Forests Koraput Circle, Koraput