GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

Memo No. <u>24644</u> /FE&CC, Date <u>28.11.23</u> FE-DIV-FLD-0092-2023/ 10F (Cons) 67/2023

Copy of Government of India, MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar vide Letter No.5-ORB610/2023-BHU dtd.21.11.2023 on the matter of diversion of 2.832 ha of forest land in favour of M/s Mayfair Hotels & Resorts Ltd. under Bhubaneswar Tahasil of Khordha District under Chandaka (WL) Division 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 as sought for in the aforementioned letter directly to the Ministry under intimation to this Department.

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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.

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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Bhubaneswar Circle/ Divisional Forest Officer, Chandaka (Wildlife) Division/ Divisional Forest Officer, Nayagarh Forest Division for information and necessary action.

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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to GA&PG Department/ Revenue & Disaster Management Department/ H&UD Department/ Tourism Department/ Collector, Khurda/ Collector, Nayagarh for information and necessary action.

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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the General Manager (L&E), Mayfair Hotels & Resorts Ltd, 8-B, Jayadev Vihar, Bhubaneswar-751013 for information and necessary action.

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Sub: Diversion of 2.832 ha of forest land in favour of M/s Mayfair Hotels & Resorts Ltd. under Bhubaneswar Tahasil of Khordha District under Chandaka (WL) Division.

Ref: State Govt. letter No.FE-DIV-FLD-0092-2023-22952/FE&CC dated 02.11.2023.

Sir,

With subject and reference cited above, I am directed to inform that the State Govt. vide letter under reference has submitted the above mentioned proposal to this office seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section-2 of Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980. On examination proposal following was observed.

- a) The Jungle-II kissam land was allotted by the GA Department in three phases during the year 1998 and 1999 to M/s Mayfair Hotels & Resorts Ltd. and the lease was executed on 30.03.1998 (4.500 Ac.), 28.07.1998 (1.985 Ac.) and 12.03.1999 (0.515 Ac.) without prior approval of Central Govt. Further, the DFO, Chandaka (WL) Division has reported that the user agency has constructed building for hotel over revenue kisam land without prior approval from Govt. of India, MoEF&CC in contravention of FC Act, 1980. Hence, detail action taken report along with name and designation of erring officials responsible for violation causing diversion of forest land for non-forestry purpose may be furnished.
- a) As per DSS, Mining or Quarry activity and a metalled road is passing through the non-forest land identified for C.A. are observed in CA patch. This may be clarified by the State Govt. in view of the suitability of CA land and encroachment free land.

It is therefore requested to furnish the above desired information for further processing of the proposal.

Yours faithfully, Padma Mahan

(Padma Mahanti) Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

- The PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751023 for kind information and necessary action.
- The General Manager (L&E), Mayfair Hotels & Resorts Ltd., 8-B, Jaydev Vihar, Bhubaneswar-751013 for information and necessary action.

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)