OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ROURKELA CIRCLE, AT/P.O. PANPOSH, ROURKELA-769 004.

Memo No. 3568 /3F-748/2017 Date: 29-12-2017

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,

Deogarh Division.

Sub:

Proposal for diversion of 1.990 ha forest land for laying of Pipeline for transportation of Iron Ore slurry from Barbil to Angul of M/s Jindal Steel& Power Ltd. (Proposal No. FP/OR/Others/9825/2015, State SI. No. OR-

028/2016)

Ref:

Your Memo No. 5057 Dtd.15.12.2017.

With reference to your aforecited Memo on the captioned subject, the following discrepancies are noticed in respect of above diversion proposal.

- 1) In the first paragraph of your Memo No. 5057 dated 15.12.2017, you have mentioned that, initially the proposal was received in your office on dt. 19.07.2016. After scrutiny the proposal for diversion of 1.246 ha Forest land, for laying underground pipeline for transportation of Iron Ore Slurry from village Sibida to Village Bhaluki under Pallahara Tahasil of Angul District under the jurisdiction of Deogarh Forest Division, in respect of M/s Jindal Steel & Power Ltd., Angul has been received on dt. 10.09.2017. The copies of proposals received by you on 19.07.2016 & dt. 10.09.2017 may be furnished.
- 2) In your forwarding Letter submitted in your aforecited Memo under the head B.2. Forest Land, you have mentioned that, the submitted diversion proposal over 1.246 ha forest land involves 0.804 ha of RF, 0.123 ha of PRF, 0.239 ha of Revenue Forest and 0.080 ha DLC Forest land. But in the Part-II of diversion proposal as well as in your Site Inspection Report, you have mentioned that, total forest land of 1.246 ha comprises 0.927 ha of RF and 0.319 ha. of Revenue forest land, without mentioning anything about the DLC forest of 0.080 ha. These discrepancies may please be clarified.
- 3) In the aforesaid forwarding Letter under the head B8. Certificate under FRA 2006 the information submitted by you is not comprehensible. On verification of FRA certificate enclosed in the DP at page-87 to 91, it is seen that as per the FRA certificate pertaining to Rugudidiha village, the forest area proposed for diversion comes to 0.104 ha. But FRA certificate issued by the Collector, Angul for the forest area under the said village is 0.070 ha. Thus there is a difference of 0.034 ha. whereas you have mentioned that, the certificate under FRA, 2006 over the balance revised forest land of 0.014 ha of Rugudidiha Village will be submitted by the User Agency before Stage I approval as per their undertaking dt.14.12.2017. The copy of the said undertaking may be furnished along with clarification on the above discrepancy.

4) The forest area proposed for diversion in respect of above project is 1.99 ha. Therefore, C.A. scheme should have been prepared over equivalent extent of non forest land whereas the C.A scheme has been prepared over 2.630 ha of Nonforest Private land identified in village Kurumula under Pallahara Tahasil under the jurisdiction of Deogarh Forest Division. The justification for preparing CA scheme for 0.64 ha of more non forest area may be submitted.

Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,
Rourkela Circle

Memo No. 3569 / Date: 29-12-2017

Copy forwarded to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act),O/o the PCCF, Odisha for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to the Memo No.5058 dtd.15.12.2017 of DFO, Deogarh Division.

Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,
Rourkela Circle

Memo No. 3570 / Date: 29-12-2017

Copy forwarded to the Manager, L & A, M/s Jindal Steel & Power Ita. Chhendipada Raod, Angul for information and necessary action.

Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,
Rourkela Circle