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Dated, Bhubaneswar the

April'2025

To

The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central)

Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change

Regional Office, A/3, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751023

**Sub: Diversion of 8. 435 ha of forest land for construction of 220 KV/DC Transmission line from 400/200 KV PGCIL GRID Sub-station, Keonjhar to 220/132/33 KV GRID Sub-station at Turumunga, Keonjhar by M/S OPTCL.**

**Ref:- Letter No.5-ORC576/2023-BHU dt.13.3.2025 of the MoEF & CC, GoI, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar.**

In inviting a reference to the aforesaid memo on the captioned subject, this is to inform that Govt. of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar sought compliances on the following two nos of observations during scrutiny of Stage-I compliances submitted by this office vide letter No.4518 dt.25.02.225. The point wise compliance basing on the reports of the DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division and RCCF, Rourkela Circle are furnished as follows:-

**Observation No. 1: On perusal of the records, the DFO, Keonjhar vide letter No.8783 dated 26.07.2023 has earlier reported violation over 0.006806 ha of forest land, whereas, the Penal NPV over less extent of the violated area may be furnished and balance Penal NPV over 0.004056 ha. of forest land may be realized from user agency**

**Compliance:** In compliance to the above, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle based on the report of DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division vide his Memo No.3800 dt.04.04.2025, has reported that the Tahasildar, Keonjhar Tahasil vide his letter No.4847 dt.25.08.2023 has mentioned the area of actual violation to be 0.006806 Ac. (0.00275 ha.) instead of violation of area reported to be of 0.006806 ha. as had been earlier reported by the DFO, Keonjhar Division which was a typographical error committed. Hence actual area of violation is 0.006806 Ac. Say 0.00275 ha which is clear from the report of Tahasildar, Keonjhar Tahasil as mentioned above. Hence realization of penal NPV over violated area of 0.00275 ha. by the DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division is correct. So less realization of penal NPV does not arise. In this connection the report of the DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division vide his letter No.3800 dt.04.04.2025 is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-A** and letter No.4878/Misc/ dt.25.08.2023 of the Tahasildar, Keonjhar Tahasil addressed to the DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division is enclosed as **Annexure-B** for reference and needful action.



**Observation No. 2.** The State Govt. has not uploaded / submitted the Stage-I compliance report through Parivesh web portal of the ministry.

**Compliance:** In compliance to the above, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the State Govt. has already uploaded the Stage-I compliance report through web portal on dt.18.03.2025 and the copy of the screen shot in support of the uploading of the Stage-I compliance report is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-C**.

In view of the above, the compliance to the two nos. of conditions imposed by Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar is sent herewith for according of final approval for diversion of 8.435 ha of forest land for construction of 220 KV/DC Transmission line from 400/200 KV PGCIL GRID Substation, Keonjhar to 220/132/33 KV GRID Substation at Turumunga, Keonjhar District by M/S OPTCL in State of Odisha under Section 2 of Van (Sanrankshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

**Encl: Compliance with annexures in one set**

Yours faithfully

Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act)

Memo No. 9275

/Dt. 28.04.2025

Copy alongwith one set of compliance forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department, Odisha, Kharvel Bhawan, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to Letter No.5-ORC576/2023-BHU dt.13.3.2025 of the MoEF & CC, GoI, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar.

**Encl: Compliance with annexures in one set**

25/4/2025  
Chief Conservator of Forests(Nodal)

Memo No.

/Dt.

Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Rourkela Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 1863 dated 07.04.2025.

25/4/2025  
Chief Conservator of Forests(Nodal)

Memo No.

/Dt.

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 1864 dated 07.04.2025 of the RCCF, Rourkela Circle to his address.

25/4/2025  
Chief Conservator of Forests(Nodal)



Annexure (A)



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OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER, KEONJHAR DIVISION  
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Letter No 3800  
Dated, Keonjhar the

/6F-Mining-80/2021  
04<sup>th</sup> April, 2025

To

The Regional Chief Conservator Forests,  
Rourkela Circle, Rourkela

Sub:

Diversion of 8.435 ha Forest Land for construction of  
220KV/DC Transmission line from 400/200KV PGCIL Grid  
Sub-Station, Keonjhar to 220/132 KV Grid Sub-Station at  
Turumunga, Keonjhar by OPTCL-Regarding.

Ref:

1. Letter No.5-ORC576/2023-BHU dated 13.03.2025 of the Dy. Inspector General of Forests (c), MoEF&CC, Govt. of India, IRO, Bhubaneswar.
2. Memo No.7273 dated 29.03.2025 of Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal), O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar

With reference to the letters cited above on the captioned subject, the point wise clarification, as sought for is depicted below:-

**Observation 1:-**

*On perusal of the records, the DFO, Keonjhar vide letter No.8783 dated 26.07.2023 has earlier reported violation over 0.006806 ha of forest land. Whereas, the Penal NPV over less extent of the violated area may be furnished and balance Penal NPV over 0.004056 ha of forest land may be realized from user agency.*

**Compliance:-**

The Tahasildar, Keonjhar had reported the violation area as 0.006806 Acr. vide his letter No.4878 dated 25.08.2023. And due to typographical error, the violation area was mentioned as 0.006806 ha (instead of 0.006806 Acr). But the actual violation area comes to **0.006806 Acr or 0.00275 ha**. The copy of the letter No.4878 dated 25.08.2023 of the Tahasildar, Keonjhar is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-I** for your reference. This fact was intimated to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act, O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar vide this office memo No.3850 dated 09.05.2024 & memo No.5176 dated 02.07.2024, copy of which were sent to you in the next memo of even dates.



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In view of the above the Penal NPV has been realised over the actual violated area viz 0.00275 ha.

**Observation 2:-**

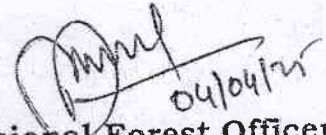
*The State Govt. has not uploaded/ submitted the Stage-I compliance report through Parivesh web portal of the Ministry.*

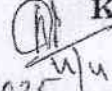
**Compliance:-**

The State Govt. has uploaded the Stage-I compliance report through web portal on dated 18.03.2025. The copy of screenshot for uploading of the Stage-I compliance report is enclosed herewith as

**Annexure-II.**

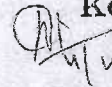
**Encl:- As above**

  
04/04/25  
**Divisional Forest Officer,  
Keonjhar Division.**

**Memo No. 3801 /Dated 04.04.2025**  4/4

Copy forwarded to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act, O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action.

  
04/04/25  
**Divisional Forest Officer,  
Keonjhar Division.**

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## OFFICE OF THE TAHASILDAR, KEONJHAR

Letter No 11878 / Misc/ Dtd. 25.08.2023

The Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Division

Subject: Diversion of 8.435 ha of forest land for construction of 220 KV/DC transmission line from 400/200 KV PGCIL Grid Sub-station, Keonjhar to 220/132/33 KV Grid Sub-station at Turumunga, Keonjhar by OPTCL - regarding.

Ref: Your office letter No. 8783/Mining Dated 26.07.2023 of DFO, Keonjhar Sir,

In inviting a reference to the subject cited above and letter under reference, I am to intimate you that on receipt of the intimation of encroachment of Government land on plot no. 104 Khata no. 41 under Mouza - Manoharpur, one encroachment case no. 62/2023 was initiated against OPTCL, represented by DGM (Elect), EHT Construction Division, Keonjhar u/s 4, 6, & 7 of the O.P.L.E. Act, 1972 and show cause was issued on dated 27.07.2023.

The encroacher represented by one Sri Subash Chandra Singh, DGM (Elect), remained present on the date of hearing on 04.08.2023 and admitted of construction of an electric tower on an area of Ac 0.006806 on plot no. 104 Khata no. 41. "Kha" notice was issued to the encroacher directing to vacate the case land within 30 days by dismantling the structure.

The DGM (Elect), EHT (Const.) Division, OPTCL, Keonjhar has also submitted that the encroachment was unintentional and has assured to vacate the said land within a period of 30 days.

This is for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,  
Tahasildar, Keonjhar  
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Timeline Details

Proposal received date at each stage of flow.

A. General Details

- (b) Proposal No.: EP OR TEANS 15197/2021
- (d) Name of Project for which Form 1 and is required: UNABO DAA 200 122 NV & 200 NAA 200 380V Grid Substation with associated 20 KV DC line from 400 300 NV POCL Grid Substation, Keonjhar, Tehsil, Jharkhand & 330 NV 210 O line from 132 KV Padmapur-Jamunda SC line to Tanninga, Jharkhand
- (f) Short narrative of the proposal and Project advance for which the latest bid is required: Construction of 200 NV DC line from 400 300 NV POCL Grid Substation, Keonjhar to proposed 20 132 KV & 20 330 NV substation, Tanninga, Keonjhar.
- (g) File no.: J-OR-2023-281
- (i) State: Orissa
- (ii) Category of the Project: Transmission Line
- (iii) Shape of Asset and proposal to be awarded: Linear
- (iv) Area of Asset and proposed for diversion: 10.12 8.435

B. Time Line

Proposal No.	Submitted by User Agency	Query for Resubmission of Proposal by User Agency	Query by Model Officer for submitting hard Copies	Uploading by U.A. of copies received from DFO & DC	Division	Circle	Model Office	State Government	Regional Office	Stage-I Approval	Compliance Report Submitted by State on	Stage-II Approval
EP/OR/TRANS/15197/2022	31/03/2022	As	31/03/2022	07/07/2022	Keonjhar	Boudhalda 15/04/2023 (Keonjhar)	Orissa 20/04/2023	Orissa 17/05/2023	Bhubaneswar 29/05/2023	Orissa 17/05/2023	Orissa 17/05/2023	Orissa 17/05/2023

C. Essential Details & Query History

Communication between Regional Office & State Government	Communication between State Government & Model Officer	Communication between Model Officer & Circle	Communication between Circle & Division	Communication between Division & User Agency
Query raised by Regional Office (Bhubaneswar) on 20/06/2023	Query raised by State Government (Orissa) on 11/07/2023	Query raised by Model Officer (Orissa) on 11/07/2023	Query raised by Circle (Keonjhar) on 22/08/2023	Query raised by DFO (Keonjhar) on 11/04/2022
Replied by State Government (Orissa) on 07/11/2023	Replied by Model Officer (Orissa) on 07/11/2023	Replied by Circle (Keonjhar) on 18/09/2023	Replied by DFO (Keonjhar) on 29/08/2023	Replied by UA on 16/05/2022
		Replied by Circle (Keonjhar) on 07/11/2023	Query raised by Circle (Keonjhar) on 07/10/2023	Query raised by DFO (Keonjhar) on 24/05/2022
			Replied by DFO (Keonjhar) on 16/10/2023	Query raised by UA on 21/03/2023
				Query raised by DFO (Keonjhar) on 29/08/2023
				Replied by UA on 29/08/2023
				Query raised by DFO (Keonjhar) on 07/10/2023
				Replied by UA on 12/10/2023