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From

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act) O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneswar

To

The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central)
Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
Integrated Regional Office, A/3, Chandrasekharpur
Bhubaneswar-751023

Sub: Diversion of 310.110 ha of forest land for construction of Right Main Canal and Distributary of Kanpur Irrigation Canal System under Keonjhar Division in Keonjhar District by Executive Engineer, Kanpur Canal Division, Jhumpura of Water Resource Department of Odisha - Submission of compliance to GoI observations dated 23.11.2022 regarding.

Ref: No.5-ORA472/2021-BHU dated 23.11.022 of Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C), GoI, MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the above mentioned subject, this is to inform that the GoI, MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar vide letter under reference has requested to furnish the number of trees that needs to be felled in the fresh area. In this context, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that as per tree enumeration list submitted by the Range Officer, Champua, Keonjhar & Patna Range during submission of diversion proposal, there were 59,931 no. trees standing in the forest land over 310.11 ha proposed for diversion, which are required to be felled.

Subsequently, out of fresh area proposed for diversion over 310.110 ha, work has been carried out in violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 prior to submission of this diversion proposal. The RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that the present tree enumeration i.e.59,931 nos. was done after the violation period. So, tree enumeration done during submission of this

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proposal is intact and no tree has been felled since then, nor any work has been executed on the fresh area after submission of the diversion proposal.

Hence, the RCCF, Rourkela Circle has reported that felling of 59,931 no. of trees is required now over 310.11 ha of fresh forest area proposed for diversion.

In view of the above, the required information to the observations dated 23.11.2022 of the GoI, MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar is sent herewith for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Memo No. 24630 / Dt. 05 12 2032 Copy forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment

and Climate Change Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to letter No.5-ORA472/2021-BHU dated 23.11.022 of Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C), GoI, MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forest XII

Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act)

Memo No. 24631 /Dt. 05-12. 2022 Copy forwarded to the RCCF, Rourkela Circle for information and necessary action

with reference to his Memo No. 4136 dated 02.12.2022.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

(Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FO Act)

Memo No. 24632

(Dt. 05-12-2022

Copy forwarded to the DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 4137 dated 02.12.2022 of RCCF, Rourkela Circle.

Principal Chief Conservator of Porests
(Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act)

Memo No. 24633 /Dt. 05 12 2022 Copy forwarded to the Executive Engineer, Kanpur Canal Division, Jhumpura,

Keonihar for information and necessary action.

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