

## STATE FOREST HEADQUARTERS, ODISHA OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & HoFF PLOT NO. GD-2/12, ARANYA BHAWAN, CHANDRASEKHARPUR BHUBANESWAR-751023

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/3 September, 2022

From

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 4.31 ha of Revenue forest land (3.358 ha of Jhanajhana Mouza & 0.952 ha of Dhenka Mouza) for preparation of land bank for relocation of villagers of Pitanau, Ratanmara & Jhunaposi Hamlets situated inside Hadagarh Wildlife Sanctuary under the jurisdiction of Keonjhar (WL) Division, Anandapur, Keonjhar District, Odisha.

Ref-: Letter No.5-ORB 506/2022- BHU dated 04.04.2022 of Scientist 'B', GoI, MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar.

Sir,

In reference to the above mentioned subject, I wish to inform that Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, IRO, Bhubaneswar has raised two (2) nos. of observations vide Letter F.No.5-ORB 506/2022- BHU dated 04.04.2022 for diversion of 4.31 ha of Revenue forest land (3.358 ha of Jhanajhana Mouza & 0.952 ha of Dhenka Mouza) for preparation of land bank of relocation of villagers of Pitanau, Ratanmara & Jhunaposi Hamlets situated inside Hadgarh Wildlife Sanctuary under the jurisdiction of Keonjhar (WL) Division, Anandapur, Keonjhar District, Odisha. The User Agency has complied the observations of Govt. of India, MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar. The point wise compliance basing on the report of the DFO, Keonjhar (WL) Division and FD,STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle are as follows:-

Observation No. (1) -: A certificate from District Collector to NTCA regarding non-availability of land suitable for relocation of the villages located within the Protected Area and Tiger Reserve before any proposal of relocation within the forest is approved.

Compliance: The Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar (WL) Division has furnished the certificate as submitted by the Collector & District Magistrate, Keonjhar on non-availability of non-forest land for settlement of villages like Pitanau, Ratnamara, Jhunapasi after relocation from Hadagarh Wildlife Sanctuary which is enclosed as Annexure-A.

Observation No. (2)-: Clarification on the extent of land de-reserved / de-notified for resettlement shall not be more than the extent vacated by the settlers in the core area.

Compliance: In this regard, the Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar (WL) Division has clarified that the extent of land vacated by settlers amounts to 15.276 ha while the extent of land de-reserved / de-notified for settlement is only 4.31 ha. The report of the Tahasildar, Hatadihi Tahasil duly authenticated by the Tahasildar, Hatadihi and DFO, Keonjhar (WL) Division which is enclosed as Annexure-B.

In view of the above, the compliance to the observations pointed out by Government of India, MoEF & CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar for diversion of 4.31 ha of Revenue forest land (3.358 ha of Jhanajhana Mouza & 0.952 ha of Dhenka Mouza) for preparation of land bank of relocation of villagers of Pitanau, Tatanmara & Jhunaposi Hamlets situated inside Hadgarh Wildlife Sanctuary under the jurisdiction of Keonjhar (WL) Division, Anandapur, Keonjhar District, Odisha is sent herewith for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully

Chief Conservator of Forests

Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 17874

/Dt. 13.09.2022

Copy forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest & Environment Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.8118/FE&CC dated 02.05.2022 of OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government, FE & CC Department.

Chief Conservator of Forests
Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 178 +5-

Dt. 13.09.2022

Copy forwarded to the FD, STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.3199 dated 24.08.2022.

Chief Conservator of Forests
Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 17876 /Dt. 13.09-2022

Copy forwarded to the DFO, Keonjhar (WL) Division, Anandapur for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.3200 dated 24.08.2022 of FD, STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle.

Chief Conservator of Forests

Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 17877

/Dt. 13.09-2022

Copy forwarded to the Tahaisldar, Hatadihi Tahasil, At/Po-Hatadihi, Dist-Keonjhar, Pin-758083 for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.8122/FE&CC dated 02.05.2022 of OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government, FE & CC Department.

Chief Conservator of Porests 13/9/2 Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

## Certificate for non-availability of suitable non-forest land for relocation of villages from Hadagarh Wildlife Sanctuary

Certified that, there is no such suitable non-forest land found/ available for settlement of villagers like Pitanau, Ratnamara, Jhunapasi after relocation from Hadagarh Wildlife Sanctuary.

Collector & District Magistrate, Keonjhar The forest area to an extent of 4.31 ha. has been proposed for diversion/de-reservation and creation of land bank to settle the villages like Pitanau, Ratnamara and Jhunapasi from Hadagarh Wildlife Sanctuary. The extent of land to be vacated by the settlers after relocation is much more than the forest area proposed for diversion/de-reservation are as under;

Name of the village	Area to be vacated (in ha.)
Pitanau	10.161
Ratnamara	2.343
Jhunapasi	2.772
Total: -	15.276

Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhal Wildlife Division,

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Tahasildar, Hatadihi Tahasil