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

No.

/9F(Trans)-369/2021

Dated, Bhubaneswar, the

July, 2022

The Deputy Director General of Forests (C) Government of India, MoEF & CC Integrated Regional Office, Bhubaneswar

Proposal for diversion of 48.782 ha of forest land for construction of 220 KV LILO Transmission line from existing LoC No.70 of 220 KV Malkangiri-Balimela Transmission to existing 220/33 KV Grid Sub-Station, Khairput, Govindpalli under Malkangiri Forest Division in Malkangiri district by OPTCL, EHT (Construction) Division, Jeypore, Odisha (Proposal No.FP/OR/TRANS/50828/2020, State Sl. No.OR-60/2020 dated

Your Letter No.5-ORA487/2021-BHU dated 28.12.2021 Ref:

Sir,

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CAV. & CLIMATE

In reference to the letter cited above, I am to furnish herewith the details extent of violation, name & designations of officials prima facie found guilty and action taken report by User Agency as follows:-

1. Extent of violation

As reported by RCCF, Koraput Circle vide Memo No.1769 dated 08.06.2022(Copy enclosed as Annexure-A,A1,A2,A3), the extent of violation is 369.61 Sq. meter or 0.04 ha against installation of 5 No. of web towers in Tarlakota PRF.

2. Name & Designations of officials prima facie found guilty

As reported by RCCF, Koraput Circle vide Memo No.1769 dated 08.06.2022(Copy enclosed as Annexure-A3), the User Agency has applied for the regular forest diversion proposal on dated 11.10.2020. Further, it has been reported that the above construction work was executed during the period of Sri Laxmikant Panda, Ex-DGM (Elect.), EHT (Const) Division, OPTCL, Jeypore and the exact date of start of work in the forest area was

3. Action Taken Report

As reported by DFO, Malkangiri Forest Division vide his Memo No.3090 dated 12.07.2022 (Copy enclosed as Annexure-B) addressed to RCCF, Koraput Circle and Memo

No.3091 of even date to this office and Letter No. 43 dated 04.07.2022 of Managing Director OPTCL, Bhubaneswar(Copy enclosed as Annexure-B & B1), the Director (HRD), OPTCL, Bhubaneswar has initiated departmental action against Sri Laxmikant Panda, Ex-DGM (Elect.), EHT (Const) Division, OPTCL, Jeypore for failure to discharge duties properly violating provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 while executing construction of 220 KV LILO Transmission line from existing LoC No.70 of 220 KV Malkangiri-Balimela Transmission to existing 220/33 KV Grid Sub-Station, Khairput, Govindpalli in the district of Malkangiri by OPTCL, EHT (Construction) Division, Jeypore.

This is 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. 15127 /Dt. 01.08.2022

Copy forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department Odisha, Kharavel Bhawan, Bhubaneswar for information with reference to Memo No.686 dt10.01.2022.

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

Memo No. /Dt.

Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Koraput Circle for information and necessary action.

Chief Conservator of Forests

Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. /Dt.

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Malkangiri Forest Division for information and necessary action.

Chief Conservator of Forests
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