



**OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER,  
SUNDARGARH FOREST DIVISION**



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Memo No. 5748 /4F (Misc.) /Dated. 18 /10/2024

To

The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Rourkela Circle, Rourkela.

Sub: - Proposal towards seeking clearance from Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India for diversion of **134.69 ha** of forest land for Kulda Expansion Open Cast Project of Basundhara Area of Mahanadi Coalfields Limited.  
(Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/50293/2020, State Sl. No. OR-050/2021 dt.08.07.2021).

Ref: - 1) Letter No. 8-7/2024-FC Dated 11.06.2024 of MoEF & CC, GoI (FC Division).  
2) Memo No.18385 dt.10.09.2024 of CF (Nodal) O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha.  
3) Your Memo No.4247 dt.10.09.2024.  
4) This Office letter No.5154 dt.20.09.2024.  
5) Memo No.567 dt.15.10.2024 of Range Officer, Gopalpur.  
6) EDS dated.16.10.2024 of Project Office, Kulda OCP of MCL.

In inviting a reference to the Memo cited above, the EDS reply submitted by the User Agency i.e Project Officer, Kulda OCP of MCL, as per Gazette notifications issued by MoEF & CC, Government of India on dated.20.09.2024 (**Copy enclosed**), relating to use of Degraded Reserve Forest land by the Central PSC for Compensatory Afforestation over **286.96Ha** for Kulda Expansion OCP of MCL.

Based on the report of Range Officer, Gopalpur, over an area of **Pandripani RF-56.3Ha, Sidarmunda-53.56Ha, Panikholia RF-56.1Ha & Punjipahad RF-121Ha (Total-286.96Ha)** in the identified proposed Compensatory Afforestation and there was not found any encroachment activity or new plantation site has been taken up in the proposed area. Further, over an area of **286.96Ha** for CA Plantation has been technically approved by the Principal Chief Conservator Forests, Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC-Act with a financial outlay of **Rs.9, 54, 46,100/- (Copy enclosed)**.

Therefore, the EDS reply along with copy of new Gazette notifications, report of Range Officer, Gopalpur & financial outlay of Compensatory Afforestation over **286.96Ha** are enclosed herewith for your kind perusal and onward transmission to higher quarters.

Encl:-As above.

Memo No. 5749 /4F (Misc.)/ 2024 Dt. 18 /10/2024

Copy forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator Forests, Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC-Act, O/o the PCCF & HoFF, Odisha for favour of information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.18384 dt.10.09.2024.

Memo No. 5750 /4F (Misc.)/ 2024 Dt. 18 /10/2024

Copy forwarded to the Project Officer, Kulda OCP of MCL for information and necessary action with reference to his EDS dated.16.10.2024.

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Sundargarh Forest Division.

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नई दिल्ली, 20 सितम्बर, 2024

सा.का.नि. 582(अ).— वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) अधिनियम, 1980 (1980 का 69) की धारा 4 की उपधारा (1) द्वारा प्रदत्त शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए, केन्द्रीय सरकार वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) नियम, 2023 का और संशोधन करने के लिए निम्नलिखित नियम बनाती है, अर्थात्:-

- संक्षिप्त नाम, विस्तार और प्रारंभ.—(1) इन नियमों का संक्षिप्त नाम वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) संशोधन नियम, 2024 है।  
(2) ये राजपत्र में उनके प्रकाशन की तारीख से प्रवृत्त होंगे।
- वन (संरक्षण एवं संवर्धन) नियम, 2023 (जिसे इसमें इसके पश्चात् उक्त नियम कहा गया है) के नियम 13 में, उपनियम (1) के तीसरे, चौथे और पांचवें परंतुक के स्थान पर निम्नलिखित परंतुक रखा जाएगा, अर्थात्, -

"परंतु यह भी कि, अपवादात्मक परिस्थितियों में, जब इस उप-नियम के अधीन प्रतिपूरक वनीकरण के लिए अपेक्षित उपयुक्त भूमि उपलब्ध नहीं है, तो प्रतिपूरक वनीकरण के लिए अवक्रमित वन भूमि पर विचार किया जा सकता है, जिसका विस्तार, मामला दर मामला आधार पर, केन्द्रीय सरकार की एजेंसियों या केन्द्रीय सार्वजनिक

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क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों या राज्य सार्वजनिक क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों के कैप्टिव कोयला ब्लॉकों के मामले में, प्रस्तावित क्षेत्र के दुगुने क्षेत्र के बराबर हो।

3. उक्त नियमों की अनुसूची-II में, सारणी में, -

- (i) क्रम संख्या 2 के सामने कोष्ठक और शब्दों के अधीन "(केन्द्रीय सरकार तथा राज्य सरकार/संघ राज्यक्षेत्र प्रशासन के प्रस्तावों पर ही यह विधान अनुज्ञात है)" प्रविष्टियों का लोप किया जाएगा;
- (ii) क्रम संख्या 3 के सामने कोष्ठक और शब्दों के अधीन "(यह वितरण मामला-दर-मामला आधार पर कैप्टिव कोयला ब्लॉक्स के लिए राज्य के सार्वजनिक के उपक्रम और मामला-दर-मामला आधार पर केन्द्रीय सरकार के अभिकरणों/केन्द्रीय सार्वजनिक उपक्रम के मामले में है)" प्रविष्टियों का लोप किया जाएगा।

[फा. सं. एफसी-11/111/2024-एफसी]

रमेश कुमार पांडेय, वन महानिरीक्षक

नोट: मूल नियम भारत के राजपत्र, असाधारण, भाग II, खंड 3, उपखंड (i) में संख्या सा.का.नि. 869(अ), तारीख 29 नवंबर, 2023 द्वारा प्रकाशित किए गए थे।

**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 20th September, 2024

**G.S.R. 582(E).**— In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 (69 of 1980), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules to further amend the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023, namely: —

**1. Short title, extent and commencement.**— (1) These rules may be called the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Amendment Rules, 2024.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

**2.** In rule 13 of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in sub-rule (1), for the third, fourth, and fifth proviso, the following proviso, shall be substituted, namely: —

“Provided also in exceptional circumstances when the suitable land required for compensatory afforestation under this sub-rule is not available, the compensatory afforestation may be considered on degraded forest land which is twice in extent to the area proposed to be diverted in case of the Central Government agencies or Central Public Sector Undertakings or captive coal blocks of State Public Sector Undertakings on a case to case basis”.

**3.** In Schedule-II to the said rules, in the table, —

- (i) The entries against serial number 2, under the brackets and words “(This dispensation is allowed to certain proposals of Central Government and State Government or Union territory Administration only.)” shall be omitted;
- (ii) The entries against serial number 3, under the brackets and words “(This dispensation is in case of State Public Sector Undertakings for captive coal blocks on case to case basis and Central Government Agencies/Central Public Sector Undertakings on case to case basis involving no acquisition of non-forest land)” shall be omitted.

[F. No. FC-11/111/2024-FC]

RAMESH KUMAR PANDEY, Inspector General of Forests

**Note :** The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (i), vide number G.S.R. 869(E), dated the 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.

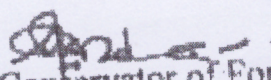
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Financial Outlay for Compensatory Afforestation Scheme over an area of 286.96 ha of Degraded Forest land identified in Pandripani RF (64.10 ha), Sidarmunda RF (53.56 ha), Punjipahar RF (131.54 ha), Panikholia RF (56.39 ha) under Gopalpur Range of Sundargarh Forest Division against diversion of 134.69 ha forest land for Expansion of Kulda Open Cast Coal Mining Project of Basundhara Area by MCI, as per approved One-time Cost Norm

Sl. No.	Description	Amount (Rs.)
1.	Cost of ANR Plantation @ 500 Plants per ha over 286.96 ha @ Rs.1,50,051/- per ha with 10 years maintenance	4,30,58,635.00
2.	Cost of Bamboo Twig and Thorn fencing over 23885 RMT with 5 years maintenance @ Rs.1,10,214/- per ha/ 250 RMT (As proposed by DFO, Sundargarh Division)	1,05,29,846.00
3.	Cost of SMC activities like staggered trenches, percolation pits, contour trench, graded earthen bund, LBCD, wire mesh LHCD, Sub-Surface Dyke and WIS as per the slope and site requirement @ Rs.39,284/- per ha over 286.96 ha with 5 years maintenance	1,12,72,937.00
4.	Watering by Diesel Pump Set fitted with borewell (1 Borewell for 5 ha Plantation) @ Rs.5,27,321/- for 58 Nos. of borewell (As proposed by the DFO, Sundargarh Forest Division)	3,05,84,618.00
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>9,54,46,036.00</b> or rounded off to <b>9,54,46,100.00</b>
5.	<b>Infrastructure to be provided as per consent of the User Agency in kinds</b>	
	i. Supply 2023 Mahindra Bolero Neo 1.5 D N 10 OPT with all accessories, including RTO, insurance and other charges for monitoring of the CA Plantation with Petrol and Driver	
	ii. Supply Mahindra Scorpio-N Z8 L Duesek NT 4WD 7 STR (with Everest White) with all accessories, including RTO, insurance and other charges for monitoring of the CA area	

(Rupees Nine Crore fifty four lakhs forty six thousand and one hundred) only

Approved

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

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OFFICE OF THE FOREST RANGE OFFICER GOPALPUR RANGE, GOPALPUR

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Memo No-567<sup>(a)</sup> / Dt. 15-10-2024

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Sundargarh Forest Division.

Sub:- Submission of field verification report of CA-Land area in Pandripani RF, Sidarmunda RF, Panikholia RF & Punjipahad RF which were identified for diversion of 134.69Ha Forest Land for Kulda OCP of MCL.

Ref :- Your office Memo No-5659 /Dated-14.10.2024.

Sir,

With reference to the above cited subject, I am submitting here with the field verification report of CA-Land area in Pandripani RF-56.3Ha, Sidarmunda RF-53.56Ha, Panikholia RF-56.1Ha & Punjipahad RF-121Ha (**Total=286.96 Ha**) which were identified for Compensatory Afforestation of Kulda Expansion OCP of MCL for diversion of 134.69 Ha in presence of User-Agency Staff on dated-15.10.2024. At the time of verification in field there was not found any encroachment activity and new plantation site has been taken up inside the above identified CA-Land area.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Yours Faithfully

*Hebi*  
15-10-24

Forest Range Officer

Gopalpur Range Officer  
Gopalpur Range