पत्र संख्या-वन भूमि-१४/२०१९- 3622 व०प०

झारखण्ड सरकार

वन, पर्यावरण एवं जलवायु परिवर्त्तन विभाग

प्रेषक,

ए० के० रस्तोगी, सरकार के विशेष सचिव।

सेवा में,

सचिव, भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्त्तन मंत्रालय, इन्दिरा पर्यावरण भवन, अलीगंज, जोर बाग रोड, नई दिल्ली—110003.

राँची, दिनांक- 19/09/2019

विषय:-

मेसर्स इलेक्ट्रोस्टील स्टील्स लिमिटेड हेतु 184.23 हे0 (174.39 हे0 अतिक्रमित एवं

9.84 है0 अक्षत) वन भूमि अपयोजन के प्रस्ताव के संबंध में।

प्रसंग—

आपका पत्रांक-8-21/2019-FC दिनांक-22.08.2019

महाशय,

निदेशानुसार उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रासंगिक पत्र के संदर्भ में प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड, राँची का पत्रांक—3118 दिनांक—18.09.2019 (सभी अनुलग्नकों सहित) सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु संलग्न है।

प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड के मंतव्य से राज्य सरकार सहमत है। अनुरोध है कि इस मंतव्य के आलोक में मामले पर पुनर्विचार करने की कृपा की जाय। अनु0—यथोक्त।

> (ए० के० रस्तोगी) सरकार के विशेष सचिव

ज्ञापांक—वन भूमि—14/2019— 3 62—2 व्र०प०, राँची दिनांक— 19/06/2019 प्रतिलिपि—प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड, राँची को उनके पत्रांक—3118 दिनांक—18.09.2019 के प्रसंग में/प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक—सह—कार्यकारी निदेशक, बंजर भूमि विकास बोर्ड, झारखण्ड, राँची को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु प्रेषित।

सरकार के विशेष सचिव





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No.: 22P-2(2)3/2019 - 3118

Ranchi, dated: 18.09.19

To,

Witeles Sir.

The Addl. Chief Secretary
Forest, Environment & Climate Change,

Govt. of Jharkhand, Ranchi.

Proposal for diversion of 184.23 ha of forest land (174.39 ha encroached and 9.84 ha virgin land) in favour of M/s Electro Steels Limited in the State of Iharkhand-reg.

Please refer to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Chnage letter no. F.No.8-21/2019-FC dated 22.08.2019 on the above mentioned subject. The requisite information is as follows:-

(i) As regards encroachment of forest lands notified under Indian Forest Act is concerned, action taken under the Indian Forest Act 1927 and also under the Bihar Public Land Encroachment Act 1956 has been communicated to the State Govt. from time to time. A detailed report in this regard has also been submitted by the State Govt. to the Govt. of India vide letter no. 4462 dated 31.10.2017.

The Site Inspection Report dated 15.07.2019 by Ranchi Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change also describes the penal and other action taken by the Forest Department in this matter.

- (ii) A committee is being constituted by the undersigned to identify erring officials and authorities responsible for violation of Forest Conservation Act 1980 and IFA 1927, and due action will be taken after the review of the report of the committee.
- (iii) In so far as institution of enquiry by an independant reputed organisation is concerned, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change, Govt. of India may be requested to themselves entrust this work to a suitable organisation in view of the fact that the matter involves, besides organisation and authorities of the State Govt., different wings of the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India.
- (iv) It is to also mention that M/s Electrosteel Steels Ltd. (Vedanta) have vide letter dated 12.09.2019 also submitted details in this matter including cases related to forest land encroachment alongwith copy of judgements by the Hon'ble High Court and Hon'ble Supreme Court in the referred cases. The same is being enclosed for necessary action

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Iharkhand, Ranchi.

MS/Sep.19