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Dated, Bhubaneswar the 20th November' 2023

From

Sri Susanta Nanda, IFS

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

To

The Deputy Inspector General of Forests (FC)

Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (F.C. Division) Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road New Delhi-110003

Sub: -Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2(ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 42.608 ha of forest land (16.658 ha in Keonjhar Forest Division and 25.950 ha in Bonai Forest Division) within Kalmang West (Northern Part) Block for Iron Ore Mines in Keonjhar and Sundargarh District of Odisha, allotted to M/s Tata Steel BSL Limited (Formerly known as Bhusan Steel Ltd.) (Online Proposal No.FP/OR/MIN/49169/2020) - GoI observations regarding.

Ref: -Letter No. 8-13/2022-FC dated 01.09.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, GoI, MoEF& CC (FC Division), New Delhi.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the above mentioned subject, the compliance to the observations of Govt. of India vide letter under reference is furnished below:-

Observation (i):-Since many proposals of iron ore mining in this landscape are in the process at the Central Government level or being proposed for diversion. Therefore, there is a need to analyse the issue at the landscape level in order to conserve the forests and biodiversity. In this regard, detailed consultations with the State Govt. authorities and other stakeholders including mining lessees shall be carried out by the DDGF (C) Bhubaneswar by involving ministry officials and WII and report shall be submitted in 45 days.

Compliance: In this regard, detailed consultation with the State Govt. Authorities, Ministry Officials, WII and other stakeholders including mining lessees was carried out under the Chairmanship of DDGF (C) Bhubaneswar and PCCF (Nodal), Odisha on 17.10.2023. The copy of the minutes of the said meeting is enclosed as Annexure-I.

Observation (ii):-Further, considering the present situation of mining in the area and rise in human elephant conflict, the compensation mechanism for the victims by the user agencies needs to be developed.

Compliance: The State Govt. of Odisha has revised the amount of compensation payment for different types of depredation vide Notification No.9128/FE&CC dated 03.05.2023 which is enclosed at Annexure-II. Further, to facilitate quick &hasslefree payment, one online app i.e. "Anukampa" is in operation and direct payment to victims has been made. Further, the State

Govt. vide Notification No.21763 dated 16.10.2023, the legal heir of deceased person was

replaced by "Next of Kin" to facilitate easy, quick and instant payment in Wildlife depredationcases State Govt. has sufficient funds for this also. The notification of the State

Government is enclosed as Annexure-III. Hence, at this stage further, mechanism for

compensation for victims by UA may not be required.

Observation (iii):-The CSIR-NEERI has given its recommendation on carrying capacity vis-àvis pollution in these areas and the Suggested Ore Transportation Mode (SOTM) in 2014. After lapse of about 9 years, many changes in the landscape and fresh mining in the region, the State Govt. shall examine and report with justification, whether there is a need to revalidate the said study or a need to carry a fresh study in this regard.

Compliance: As per recommendation of CSIR, NEERI on suggested sustainable Annual production in Odisha State on 2020-21 is 201 MT. Total Environmental Clearance capacity of 40 Mines (Joda-Koira Sector) is 155.519 MT whereas actual production was 48.087 MT (30.9%) which is much below than permitted dispatch. The Environmental Clearance capacity of 22 Iron Mines in (Joda-Barbil Sector) is 106.631 MT whereas production is 34.420 MT (32.3%) which is also much below than permitted dispatch. Thus, when suggested production will be achieved as per the report of NEERI on transportation ore as per recommendation, there might be a need to

In view of the above, the compliance to the observations of the Government of India, carry on fresh study. MoEF& CC, New Delhi dated 01.09.2023 is sent herewith for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully

Principal Chief C (Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act)

20.11.2023

22613 Copy forwarded to the Dy. Director General of Forests (Central), MoEF& CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to letter No. 8-13/2022-FC dated 01.09.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, GoI, MoEF& Principal Chief Conservator of Forests CC (FC Division), New Delhi.

(Forest Diversion and Nodal Officer, FC Act)

Memo No. 22614 /Dt. 20.11.2023

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. 8-13/2022-FC dated 01.09.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, GoI, MoEF& CC (FC Division), New Delhi and Memo No. 19961/FE&CC dated 21.09.2023 of OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Govt., FE&CC Department, Govt. of Odisha.

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

Memo No. 22615 /Dt. 20, 11, 2023

Copy forwarded to the PCCF (WL) & CWLW, Odisha, Prakruti Bhawan, Plot No.1459, Saheed Nagar, Bhubaneswar-751007 for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to Memo No. 19962/FE&CC dated 21.09.2023 of OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Govt., FE&CC Department, Govt. of Odisha.

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

Memo No. 22616 /Dt. 20:11-2023

Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Rourkela Circle for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.19964/FE&CC dated 21.09.2023 of OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Govt., FE&CC Department, Govt. of Odisha.

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

Memo No. 22617 /Dt. 20:11.2023

Copy forwarded to the DFO, Bonai Forest Division / DFO, Keonjhar Forest Division for information and necessary action.with reference to Memo No. 19964/FE&CC dated 21.09.2023 of OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Govt., FE&CC Department, Govt. of Odisha.

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

Memo No. 22618 /Dt. 20.11.2023

Copy forwarded to the Authorised Signatory, M/s TATA Steel BSL Limited, 273, Bhouma Nagar, Unit-IV, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action with reference to letter No. 8-13/2022-FC dated 01.09.2023 of the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, GoI, MoEF & CC (FC Division), New Delhi and Memo No.19965/FE&CC dated 21.09.2023 of OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Govt., FE&CC Department, Govt. of Odisha.

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



CONSULTATION MEETING WITH THE STATE GOVT. AUTHORITIES AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS INCLUDING MINING LEASES INVOLVING MINISTRY OFFICIAL/WILD LIFE INSTITUTE OF INDIA (WII) HELD ON 17.10.2023 AT BHUBANESWAR.

As per Ministry letter No. 8-31/2022-FC dated 14.08.2023, FAC in its meeting dated 17.07.2023. it has been decided that since many proposals of Iron Ore Mining in Netrabandha Pahar landscape are in the process at the Central Government level or being proposed for diversion. Therefore, there is a need to analyze the issue at the landscape level in order to



conserve the forests and biodiversity. In this regard, detailed consultations with the State Govt. authorities and other stakeholders including mining lessees shall be carried out by the DDGF(C) Bhubaneswar by involving Ministry officials and WII and report to be submitted to the Committee.

The Wildlife Institute of India (WII) vide letter No. WII/EIA/ Netrabandha Pahar Iron Ore Block Odisha dated 19.09.2023 has nominated Dr. G.V. Gopi, Scientist 'F' & Nodal Officer, EIA Cell to participate in the Consultation meeting.

The Ministry vide letter No. 8-31/2022-FC dated 04.10.2023 has nominated Dr. Soma Das, Regional Director, FSI, Kolkata to represent the MoEF&CC during the consultations.

After receipt of the nominations, a Consultative Committee meeting was organized on 17.10.2023 at 11:00 AM. Besides the nominated members by MoEF&CC & WII, representatives from State Pollution Control Board, Director of Mines, State Forest Department, NH and Road Department were also invited to participate and put their views. The concerned representatives of the Mining Agencies were asked to give a Power Point Presentation before the Stakeholder Consultative Committee.

The list of participants present during the meeting:

Officials of MoEF&CC, RO, Bhubaneswar

- 1. Shri A. T. Mishra, DDGF (Central)
- 2. Smt. Padma Mahanti, DIGF (Central)

Representative from the Ministry and Wildlife Institute of India

- 1. Smt. Soma Das, Regional Director, FSI, Kolkata (Representative of Ministry)
- 2. Dr. G.V. Gopi, Scientist 'F' and Nodal Officer, EIA Cell, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun

Officials of State Forest Department, Odisha

- 1. Shri S. Nanda, PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA)
- 2. Shri A.K. Mishra, RCCF, Rourkela
- 3. Shri Kedar Swain, Conservator of Forests (Representative of CWLW, Odisha)
- 4. Shri Dhanraj Hanumant Dhamdhere, DFO, Keonjhar
- 5. Shri Lalit Kumar Patra, DFO, Bonai



Officials of Steel & Mines Department, Odisha

1. Shri S. K. Behera, Joint Director (Mines)

State Pollution Control Board

1. Dr. N.R. Sahoo, Chief Environment Engineer, SPCB, Odisha

Representatives of different Mining Lessees

- 1. M/s JSW Steel
- 2. M/s Triveni Earthmovers Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. M/s Tata Steel BSL Limited
- 4. M/s Raga Tradecon Pvt. Ltd.
- 5. M/s OMC Ltd.

Presentation by Mining Companies:

The representatives of Mining Companies gave power point presentation on support of their mining lease. They mostly laid emphasis on the CSIR-NEERI report which says that this Joda-Barbil-Koira sectors are rich in Iron and Manganese Ore. They also said that as per the report, there is possibilities of expansion of existing mines and new mines also. During presentation they said that to mitigate the effect of mining on wildlife, they will submit Site Specific as well as Regional Wildlife Management Plan approved by CWLW. They also described the details mentioned in the CSIR-NEERI report.

The representatives of Mining Agencies informed that as per the report of Carrying Capacity Study for Environmentally Sustainable Iron and Manganese Ore Mining Activity in Keonjhar, Sundargarh & Mayurbhanj Districts of Odisha State by NEERI (Chapter 12)) it has been reported that:-

Joda Sector (Keonjhar District) and Koira Sector (Sundargarh District):

In view of limited iron ore mining activity in Mayurbhanj and Jajpur district, the major iron ore producing areas that need special attention are Joda-Barbil (Keonjhar district) and Koira Sector (Sundargarh district).

At present, Joda-Barbil Sector has total 27 working mines (22 iron ore mines and 5 exclusive Mn ore mines) and Koira Sector has total 26 mines (18 iron ore mines and 8 exclusive Mn ore mines). Thus the total iron ore mines (including 7 Mn ore associated mines) in Joda-Koira Sector are 40 only.

The total EC Capacity of these 40 mines is 155.519 MT, whereas actual production was 48.087 MT (30.9%) during 2014-15 and 77.9 7 MT (50.1%) during 2015-16. Total production from Joda and Koira region during 2016-17 was 98.38 MT (63.3%), whereas total permitted dispatch was 115.541 MT (74.3%).

Joda-Barbil, Keonjhar District:

At present total EC Capacity of 22 iron ore mines in Joda-Barbil Sector is 106.631 MT, whereas actual production during 2014-15 was 34.420 MT (32.3%) and 55.318 MT (51.9%) during 2015-16.

Total production from Jada region during 2016-17 was 70.291 MT (65.9%), whereas total permitted dispatch was 79.575 MT (74.6%).

Koira Sector, Sundargarh District

At present total EC Capacity of 18 iron ore mines in Koira Se tor is 49.209 MT,





whereas actual production during 2014-15 was 13.667 M (27.8%) and 22.589 MT (45.9%) during 2015-16.

Total production from Koira region during 2016-17 was 28.089 MT (57.0%), whereas total permitted dispatch was 35.966 MT (73.1 %).

Actual/Suggested Sustainable Annual Production in Joda Koira Sector (Keonjhar & Sundargarh districts) up to 2020-21

SI. No.		Horizon	Actual/ Suggested Sustainable Annual Production (MT)	Mine Source with EC Capacity
1.	2015-16	Base Year	80	Total 40 iron ore mines n Joda-Koira Sector (Keonjhar and Sundargarh districts) with total EC Capacity of 156 MTPA (already permitted/ working mines)
2.	2016-17	1 st Year	100(80+20) (Actual production - 98.38 MT)	Existing 40 iron ore mines upto March 2016 (EC Capacity 156 MTPA) or Additional 20 MT from further expansion or new mines
3.	2017-18	2 nd Year	Year 120(100+20) Existing iron ore mines	Existing iron ore mines upto March 2017 or Additional 20 M - from further
4.	2018-19	-20 4th Year 140(120+20) Existing iron ore 2018 or Additional expansion or new re 2019 or Additi	Existing iron ore mines upto March 2018 or Additional 20 MI from further expansion or new mines	
5.	2019-20		4 th Year 160(140+20) Existing iron ore mines a 2019 or Additional 20 M f expansion or new mines	Existing iron ore mines upto March 2019 or Additional 20 M from further expansion or new mines
6.	2020-21	5 th Year	180(160+20)	Existing iron ore mines upto March 2020 or Additional 20 MT from further expansion or new mines

Accordingly, by 2021, the total iron production capacity can be 201 MT (Jada Sector - 106 MT; Koira Sector 74 MT, Baripada Sector - 10 MT and Jajpur Sector - 11 MT). However, the capacity enhancement will be subject to certain pre-requisites.

Discussion on Impact on Wildlife:

In the meeting, the Representative of Chief Wildlife Warden Shri Kedar Swain, CF (Wildlife) said that to mitigate the impact of mining on wildlife, Site Specific Wildlife Plans as well as Regional Plans are prepared. In a query to Dr. Gopi, Scientist 'F', WII, the CF (Wildlife) said that every year Annual Regional Plans are prepared and approved by Chief Wildlife Warden.





Dr. Gopi (WII) suggested that the Regional Wildlife Plan should be a long term plan for at least 10 years and the Site Specific Plans may be short term with special emphasis on the requirement of specific site.

During the discussion, the DFO, Keonjhar informed that the proposed landscape where all these mining sites are coming is about 2 to 10 KM far from the Karo-Karampada Elephant Corridor. However, for the last few years, the Karo-Karampada Elephant Corridor is not used by the Elephants and whatever man-animal conflict is going on in and around is only due to the lone tuskers. Regarding the man-animal conflict, Dr. Gopi, the expert from WII suggested for Radio collar tagging for the Tuskers so that their movement can be traced.

Discussion on Carrying Capacity:

The Joint Director (Mines) present in the meeting informed that there are 17 non working mines in that landscape. Except 2 mines which are non-operational, all other mines are non-working due to pending statutory clearances and all will be operational after getting statutory clearances.

The representative from OSPCB informed that all the mines working in that area are producing minerals below their Environmental Clearance production capacity and there is possibility of expansion of the production capacity of the mines. But, the mines should strictly comply to the stipulated conditions of Environmental Clearance.

The representative from NHAI present in the meeting informed that roads joining from mines site to NH-520 have been constructed. At present there is no problem of this transportation of ore as the newly constructed road is either blacktopped or concretized.

The representative of Tata Steel BSL Limited informed that 2.8 MTPA of iron ore will be dispatched from the Kolmong (West) Iron Ore Mine through road. Out of the total ore, 70% of minerals will be transported through rail and rest 30% will be directly go to Kalinga Nagar Plant by road. The distance of NH-520 is about 8 KM from the mine site. As there is another mine lease viz. Gandhalpada Iron Ore Mines (10 MTPA) of the Lessee near the instant mining lease, minerals of both the mine leases will be transported through the slurry pipeline which will take 2 years time for completion.

The representative of Bhushan Power & Steel Limited (JSW Steel) informed that the ore will be transported to their Integrated Steel Plant at Nuagaon through road which is about 12 Km from the mine site. Rest will be transported through road to other place as per the demand.

The representative of M/s Triveni Earth Movers Pvt. Limited informed the mining lease boundary is adjoining with 9 mtrs of PWD road from Bolani to Kiriburu. The material will be transported through the same road to Balani & Barbil siding and also touch to NH 520. In this regard, detail traffic study has already been completed. As per requirement there will be maximum movement of 12-15 trucks per hour will be running on this road, so dust & noise pollution will not be there, however adequate measures will be taken to mitigate the effects of pollution by adopting measures.

From the above discussion it may be concluded in this way.

1.	JSW Steel	2.68 MTPA	The majority will be for captive use at Nuagaon plant. Rest will be transported through road.
2.	Tata Steel Ltd.	2.95 MTPA	After 2 years through slurry pipe line.



3.	Raga Tradecon	1 MTPA	Through road transportation.	
4.	Triveni Earthmovers	1.65 MTPA	Through road transportation.	

From the above table it can be concluded that out of the above 4 cases only 2.65 MTPA + surplus of JSW will be transported through road. The officers present during discussion opined that as recently the road to NH-520 has been constructed, so transportation of the above may not be a problem at present.

CONCLUSION:

From the consultation, it is observed that the Karo-Karampada Elephant Corridor which is 2 to 10 KM away from the proposed sites is presently not used by the elephants.

The present extraction of ore is below in capacity than approved in the Environment Clearance.

The CSIR-NEERI Report has suggested for special emphasis for Joda-Barbil and Koida Sector which is very rich in iron ore.

The Special Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC-Non Coal mining sector) in its meeting held on 12.09.2023 on "whether a cap on mining is necessitated in the case of State of Odisha and, if so, the modalities to be followed for determining such a cap" has recommended that there is no need to cap the iron ore mining in Odisha.

From the above observations, the above proposals are recommended with the observation that:-

- The Site Specific Wildlife Plans need to be reviewed every year whether implementation is going in the right way or not. If required, the activities may be changed as per the site requirement.
- 2) At present in Odisha Regional Wildlife Conservation Plan are prepared every year, there is no long term Plan. So the Regional Wildlife Conservation Plan should be prepared at least for 10 years covering the forest Division of Sundargarh, Jharsuguda and Keonjhar Districts.
- 3) Transportation of ore should be as far as possible through conveyor belt, slurry pipeline, Railways, etc. Transportation of ore through road should be minimized in a time bound manner.
- Transportation of ore should be strictly as per the recommendation in the report submitted by CSIR-NEERI as below.

In view of high dust pollution and noise generation due to road transport, it is proposed to regulate/guide the movement of iron and manganese ore material based on the EC capacity of the mines. Accordingly ore transport mode has been suggested in the CSIR NEERI Report is as given below.

Code	EC Capacity	Suggested Ore Transport Mode 100% by private railway siding or conveyor belt up to public railway siding or pipeline for captive mines and 70% for non-captive mines		
SOTM 1	> 5 MTPA			
SOTM 2	Between 3 and < 5 MTPA	Minimum 70% by public railway siding, through conveyor belt and maximum 30% by road direct to destination or other public railway siding or above option		
SOTM 3	Between 1	Minimum 70% by public railway siding and maximum		



	and < 3 MTPA	30% by road - direct to destination or by other public railway siding or above options
SOTM 4	< 1 MTPA	100 % by 10/17 Ton Trucks or above options

- 5) Soil and moisture conservation measures should be undertaken in and around 10 KM radius of the mining lease areas at project cost.
- 6) The conditions stipulated in EC should be strictly implemented and monitored.

Dr. G.V. Gopi Scientist 'F', Wildlife Institute of India Soma Das Regional Director, FSI, Kolkata Padma Mahanti DIGF (Central) Regional Office, Bhubaneswar

Susanta Nanda PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), State Forest Department, Odisha A. T. Mishra
DDGF (Central)
Regional Office, Bhubaneswar

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA FOREST, ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT



NOTIFICATION

Bhubaneswar, Dated the 03 . 05 . 23

No. FE-WL-WLF-0037-2017/ 9128 /FE&CC.,

In exercise of the powers conferred under Rule 45-KK of the Wildlife (Protection) (Odisha) Amendment Rules, 2023, the State Government do hereby decide the amount of compassionate payment for different types of depredation as follows.

SI. No.	Type of depredation	Provision under Wildlife (Protection) (Odisha) Rules, 1974	Compassionate payment
1	Human kill	45-AA	6.0 lakh
2	Human injury (permanent)	45-BB	 a. ₹1.5 lakh in case of disability less than 60 % b. ₹2.5 lakh in case of disability more than 60 %
3	Human injury (temporary)	45-BB	 a. ₹10,000.00 + free treatment in Government hospital, if the hospitalisation is more than 1 week. b. ₹5000.00 + free treatment in Government hospital, if the hospitalisation is less than 1 week.
4	Cattle kill (bullock/ cow/ buffalo)	45-CC	a. ₹37500.00 for Cow & Buffalo. b. ₹32000.00 for Bullock.
5	Cattle kill (calf)	45-CC	₹5000.00
6	Cattle kill (Sheep/ goat)	45-CC	₹4000.00
7 Cattle kill (Lamb)		45-CC	₹1500.00



8	Crop damage (paddy & cereals)	45-EE	₹20000.00 per Ac
9	Crop damage (cash crop)	45-EE	₹25000.00 per Ac
10	House damage (part)	45-FF	₹10000.00
11	House damage (full)	45-FF	₹20000.00 + Biju Pucca Ghar or cash equivalent in lieu Biju Pucca Ghar by the Department.

By order of the Governor

Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department

Memo. No 9129 /FE&CC, Dated. 03 , 05 , 23

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> 03/5/2023 OSD -cum - Special Secretary to Government.

Memo. No 9/30/FE&CC, Dated. 03 · 05 · 23
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Memo. No 9131 /FE&CC, Dated. 03 . 05 . 23

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Memo. No 9/34/FE&CC, Dated. 03, 05, 23
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Memo. No 9136/FE&CC, Dated. 03.05.23
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Memo. No 9137/FE&CC, Dated. 03.05.23

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OSD -cum - Special Secretary to Government.

FOREST, ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Bhubaneswar, Dated the 16.10.23

No. FE-WL-WLF-0037-2017/ 21763 / FE & CC., In exercise of the powers conferred by section 64 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 (53 of 1972), the State Government do hereby make the following rules further to amend the Wildlife (Protection) (Odisha) Rules, 1974, namely:

- 1. (1) These rules may be called the Wildlife (Protection) (Odisha) Second Amendment Rules, 2023.
 - (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Odisha Gazette.
- 2. In the Wildlife (Protection) (Odisha) Rules, 1974 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 2, clause (g-1) shall be re-numbered as clause (g-2) and before clause (g-2) as so re-numbered, the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—
 - "(g-1) 'Next of Kin' means the following category of family members of the deceased person, namely:—
 - 1. Wife
 - Son (including step son or legally adopted son) or Unmarried Daughter (including step daughter or legally adopted daughter) or Married daughter
- 1 Male Married
- 3. Father or mother
- 4. Widowed Daughter-in-Law
- 5. Dependent brother or sister
- Grandsons or Grand Daughters (children of deceased son)
- 1. Mother or Father or Step father or Step Mother
- 2. Legally adopted son or daughter
- 2 Male Unmarried
- 3. Dependent brother or sister
- Dependent Widowed Sister or Dependent Divorced sister
- 5. Dependent unmarried sister

- 6. Legal guardian in case of Minor
- 7. Dependent Grand Father or Grand Mother (father or mother of deceased's father)
- 1 Husband
- Son (including step son or legally adopted son) or Unmarried Daughter (including step daughter or legally adopted daughter) or Married daughter
- 3 Father-in-Law or Mother-in-Law
- 4. Widowed Daughter-in-Law
- Grandsons or Grand Daughters of married son
- 1. Mother or Father or Step Father or Step Mother
- 2. Legally adopted son or daughter
- 4 Female Unmarried

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Female

Married

- 3. Dependent Unmarried brother or sister
- 4. Dependent Grand Father or Grand Mother (father or mother of deceased's father)

Explanation: Each aforesaid category of Next of Kin in subsequent order will be considered only in case of death of the preceding category"

3. In rule 45-JJ of the said rules, the words "legal heir", wherever they occur, the words "Next of Kin" shall be substituted.

By order of the Governor

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Memo. No 21764/FE&CC,

Dated. 16,10,23

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Additional Secretary to Government

Memo. No 21765/FE&CC, Dated. 16 · 10 · 23

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Additional Secretary to Government

Memo. No 21766/FE&CC, Dated. 16.10.23

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Additional Secretary to Government

Memo. No 21767/FE&CC,

Dated. 16.10.23

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Memo. No 21768/FE&CC,

Dated. 16 . 10 . 23

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Additional Secretary to Government

Memo. No 217-69/FE&CC,

Dated. 16.10.23

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Memo. No 21770/FE&CC, Dated. 16-10-23

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Additional Secretary to Government

Memo. No 2177/ /FE&CC,

Dated. 16.10.23

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Additional Secretary to Government

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