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Dated, Bhubaneswar the 17th November 2025

To

The Deputy Director General of Forests (Central)
Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment Forests & Climate Change
Regional Office, Bhubaneswar

Sub:- Proposal for diversion of 23.714ha. of Forest Land for Construction of Pandit Raghunath Murmu Medical College and Hospital in the District of Mayurbhanj- Submission of compliance on observations of MoEF&CC.

Ref:- Letter F. No.5-ORC561/2023-BHU, dt.18.04.2023 of Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

Sir,

In reference to the above mentioned subject, this is to inform that Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (FC Division), New Delhi have raised EDS dated 18.04.2023 on 4 nos. of observations. The point wise compliance based on the reports of the DFO, Baripada Forest Division and FD-STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle are as follows:-

Observation No.1:- *The instant project is a non-site specific project. State Govt. has not furnished the details of alternatives site examined, reasons for their rejection and complete justification establishing its inescapability for the project in forest area where 535 trees are enumerated.*

Compliance:- In compliance to the above, the FD,STR-Cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle has reported that, User Agency has submitted the justification along with details of alternative sites examined and reasons for their rejection vide Letter No. 4549 dated 14.08.2025. The User Agency has reported that as per guidelines of the State Government and Government of India, a medical college and hospital are to be located together in one campus for the purpose of imparting training and providing medical treatment. The location must have good communication facilities and should preferably be near a large town to meet the basic needs of both the users and the general public. Since, the hospital must be attached to the college, a large contiguous area is required to establish the project as a whole. The present location satisfies these requirements, being in proximity to Baripada Municipality with excellent communication

facilities and situated alongside the State Highway. Hence, the site has been found most suitable and has been selected over other alternatives. The User Agency has submitted three (03) nos. alternative sites not being found suitable for construction of PRM Medical College & Hospital in their compliance report. Copy of Letter No.4549 dated 14.08.2025 of Dean & Principal, PRM Medical College & Hospital, Baripada is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-I**.

Observation No.2:- The DFO, Baripada in his inspection report has reported that the user agency has used the forest land for non-forestry purpose since 20.03.2015 without prior approval of the Central Govt. under Section 2(ii) of FC Act. 1980. Nature of activities undertaken and extent of forest area used thereon for non-forestry purpose and action taken against the officials responsible for violation may be furnished.

Compliance:- In compliance to the above, the FD,STR-Cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle has reported that,, the User Agency has furnished the component wise forest area utilized for construction of Pandit Raghunath Murmu Medical College and Hospital vide their letter No. 5349 dated 26.09.2025 which is enclosed as **Annexure-II**.

The Additional District Magistrate, Mayurbhanj submitted the Action Taken Report vide Letter No. 931dated 12.04.2024. He has issued the Show cause notices to the following 2 persons

1. Shri Deganta Routary, OAS-I(SB), Ex-Tahasildar, Baripada vide Letter No. 3335/Rev dated 21.12.2023
2. Shri Biskeshan Dehuri, OAS-I(SB), Ex-Sub-Collector, Baripada vide Letter No.3332/Rev dated 21.12.2023.

Copies of the Action Taken Report and replies are enclosed as **Annexure-III**.

Observation No.3:- The Cost Benefit analysis for the project has not been furnished though the project involves forest land more than 20ha.

Compliance:- In compliance to the above, the FD,STR-Cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle has reported that,, the Cost-Benefit Analysis Report for the Project is enclosed as **Annexure-IV**.

Observation No.4:- The CA land identified for this project appears to have human settlement within the boundary as evident from DSS analysis. In the Patch-2 of the CA land there is metal road passing through the CA land. The State Govt. may identify alternate suitable land for CA.

Compliance:- In compliance to the above, the FD,STR-Cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle has reported that, the User Agency has identified alternate area of 48.596 hectares of degraded revenue forest land for raising Compensatory Afforestation in lieu of the diversion of 23.714 hectares of forest land for construction of Pandit Raghunath Murmu Medical College and Hospital, Rangamatia, Baripada.

The details of the CA land is given below.

Name of the Tahasil	Mouza	Patch No	Khata No	Plot No	Required Area (in Acre)	Required Area (in Ha)	Kissam
Suliapada	Kadakotha	I	94	8	17.710	7.167	Gramya Jungle
	Pathara	II	193	1168	26.850	10.866	Jungle-I
	Purunapani	III	56	149	12.540	5.075	Jungle-II
	Beguniadiha	IV	240	859	15.500	6.273	Jungle-
	Beguniadiha	V	243	1255	31.070	12.574	Gramya Jungle
	Daludihi	VI	92	561	16.410	6.641	Jungle
TOTAL					120.080	48.596	

The Additional District Magistrate, Mayurbhanj vide his letter no.2682/Rev., dt.09.06.2025 addressed to the Divisional Forest Officer, Baripada Division has informed that the above degraded forest land identified for raising compensatory afforestation is free from encroachment and encumbrance as jointly verified by both revenue and forest officials. The Tahasildar, Suliapada has submitted amin bodar sheets of the above degraded revenue forest land both in Sabik and Hal record duly authenticated by him. The Tahasildar, Suliapada has submitted Certificate that there is no FRA-2006 claims pending in the above plots. The Tahasildar, Suliapada has also informed vide his letter no.2286, dt.21.08.2025 to DFO, Baripada that the above lands identified for raising compensatory afforestation, have not been allotted earlier to any other agency for Compensatory Afforestation. The DFO, Baripada Division has submitted Topo Map and DGPS Map of the above plots duly signed by User Agency, Tahasildar, Suliapada& DFO, Baripada Division. The Divisional Forest Officer, Baripada Division has furnished the Suitability certificate and DSS analysis report. He has submitted 6 Nos of Schemes for raising Compensatory Afforestation with ten (10) years maintenance as per matrix 2025-26 of approved one time cost norm The above six Nos. of CA schemes have been approved by the Nodal Officer as per details given below.

Sl No	Name of the CA Site	Area in Ha	Amount (In Rs.)
1	Kadakotha	7.167	1,24,59,300.00
2	Pathara	10.866	1,79,82,700.00
3	Purunapani	5.075	86,52,300.00
4	Beguniadiha	6.273	1,02,08,200.00
5	Beguniadiha	12.574	2,06,85,500.00
6	Daludihi	6.641	1,10,17,400.00
	Total	48.596	8,10,05,400.00

The revised CA scheme is enclosed herewith as **Annexure-V**. The approved financial outlay of the above CA schemes are enclosed as **Annexure-VI Series**.

In view of the above, the compliance to the observation of GoI, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar dated 18.04.2023 is sent herewith for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Encl: Compliance in one set

Yours faithfully

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

Memo No. 23014

/Dt. 17-11-2025

Copy alongwith one set of Stage-I compliance forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action with reference to Letter F.No. 5-ORC561/2023-BHU, dt.18.04.2023 of Government of India, MoEF & CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

Encl: Compliance in one set

Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 23015

/Dt. 17-11-2025

Copy forwarded to the FD-STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No.4221 dated 10.10.2025.

Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 23016

/Dt. 17-11-2025

Copy forwarded to the DFO, Baripada Forest Division for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.4222 dated 10.10.2025 of FD-STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle to his address.

Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 23017

/Dt. 17-11-2025

Copy forwarded to the Collector and District Magistrate, Mayurbhanj for information and necessary action with reference to Memo No.4223 dated 10.10.2025 of FD-STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle to his address.

Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 23018

/Dt. 17-11-2025

Copy forwarded to Dean and Principal, Pandit Raghunath Murmu Medical College & Hospital, E-mail:-officeprmmch@gmail.com/ prmmchbaripada@gmail.com for information with reference to Memo No.4224 dated 10.10.2025 of FD-STR-cum-RCCF, Baripada Circle to his address.

Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal)