

## ଆଞ୍ଚଳିକ ମୁଖ୍ୟ ବନ ସଂରକ୍ଷକଙ୍କ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟାଳୟ, ଭବାନୀପାଟଣା ମଣ୍ଡଳ

## OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, BHAWANIPATNA CIRCLE

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Memo No. 2918 /4F-30/2025 Dated: 28.07. 35

To

The Chief Conservator of Forests (Nodal),

O/o the Pr.CCF & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneshwar.

Sub:-

Proposal of diversion of 136.966 ha. (Baliguda Forest Division-94.013 ha + Kalahandi North Division-42.953 ha) of forest land for construction of 220 KV DC Transmission Line from existing 220/132/33 KV Grid Sub-Station at Kesinga, Kalahandi District to proposed 220/32 KV Grid Sub-station at Sirtiguda in Kandhamal District by OPTCL Court investor Cost of India Observations assembles.

OPTCL-Compliance to Govt. of India's Observations regarding.

Ref:-

(i)Letter No.14493/FE&CC dtd.17.06.2025 of the OSD -cum- Special

Secretary to Govt of Odisha to your address

(ii) Letter No- File No- 5-ORA641/2024-BHU dtd. 10.06.2025 of MoEF

& CC (FC Division), Govt. of India

In inviting a kind reference to the above cited letter on the captioned subject, point-wise compliance to Govt. of India's observations is furnished below basing on the report of the DFO, Kalahandi North Division.

Compliance to the Observations pointed out by the Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, vide their letter No.5-ORA641/2024-BHU dtd.10.06.2025.

Observation No.(i): The State Govt. shall provide the detail of all such cases where the User Agency (OPTCL) has violated the provisions of the Adhiniyam. The State Govt. shall also report the action taken under Section 3A/3B of the Adhiniyam in such cases.

Compliance: -. In compliance to above, it is to inform you that, basing on the report of the D.F.O. Kalahandi North Division the detailed action taken report has already been submitted to your good office vide this office memo No- 5554 dt.25.11.2024 in compliance to the observation No-(b) of letter No-5-ORA641/2024-BHU dtd. 24.04.2024 of the MoEF & CC, Govt of India (Copy enclosed as Annexure-A). Further, the list of projects involving violation under VSSA 1980 as submitted by the User Agency i.e. OPTCL is enclosed as Annexure-B.

<u>Observation No.(ii)</u>:-The separate KML file of the transmission line indicating the proposed forest land is not available on the portal. The same should be uploaded.

Compliance: - In compliance to above, as reported by the D.F.O., Kalahandi North Division that, separate KML file of the transmission line indicating the proposed forest land has already been uploaded in the portal.

Observation No.(iii):- In view of presence of wildlife, particularly elephants, in the proposed project area, the sensitive locations along the project route that requires wildlife mitigation

Wildlife Warden.

Compliance: - In compliance to above, it is to inform you that, the Site-Specific Wildlife Conservation Plan (SSWLCP) has been prepared for the ZoI i.e. Kalahandi North Division, Baliguda Division and Bolangir Division and submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & CWLW, Odisha for according necessary approval vide this office memo – 2688 dt.11.07.2025 with a copy to your good office in the next memo of even date.

<u>Observation No.(iv)</u>:- In case of violation the state has only provided the area involved in the construction of towers, whereas the area involved in the stringing of the wires has not been calculated. The needful shall be done and the detail of the exact area involved in violation shall be accordingly intimated.

Compliance: - In compliance to above, it is to inform you that, the Divisional Forest Officer, Kalahandi North Division has reported that stringing of the wire has not yet been carried out by the User Agency. Copy of memo no-5257 dt.19.07.2025 of the D.F.O, Kalahandi North Division along with the letter No- 275 dt.16.06.2025 of the DGM(El), EHT Construction Division, OPTCL is enclosed here with as Annexure-C for your kind perusal.

This is for favour of kind information and necessary action. Encl: As above I/c Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Bhawanipatna Circle. By e-mail Memo No. <u>9919</u> / dated: 28.07-95 Copy forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & CWLW, Odisha for favour of kind information with reference to his memo No.6739 dtd.20.06.2025. I/c Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Bhawanipatna Circle. By e-mail Memo No. 3930 / dated: 38.07-31 Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Kalahandi North Division for information & necessary action with reference to his memo No.5257 dtd.19.07.2025. I/c Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Bhawanipatna Circle. By e-mail Memo No. <u>393/</u> / dated: 28-07-35 Copy forwarded to the Deputy General Manager (Elect), EHT Construction Division, OPTCL, Berhampur, At-Sanakusasthali, Po-Badakusasthali, Berhampur, Odisha for information. I/c Regional Chief Conservator of Forests,

Bhawanipatna Circle.