

OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER; ANGUL DIVISION:ANGUL.

Memo No. 1505 /DRP/2023/Dated. 21.2.24

To

The General Manager,
MCL, Bharatpur Area.

Sub: -

Proposal for seeking approval of Central Government under section 2 of the forest conservation Act, 1980 for Diversion of 44.64 ha Forest land and 13.09 ha. of Lookalike Forest (Total 57.73 ha.) for Coal Mining at Bharatpur Open Cast Expansion Project at Bharatpur Area of Mahanadi Coalfield Limited.

Ref: -

1. Proposal No. FP/OR/Min/153736/2022.
2. State Sl. No. OR-060/2022 dt. 05.12.2022.
3. Memo No. 597 dt. 15.02.2024 of RCCF, Angul.

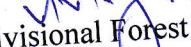
With reference to the above cited memo No. on the captioned subject, it is to inform that the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle, Angul on scrutiny of the above diversion proposal and shortcomings are noted vide his memo No. under reference (3) (copy enclosed for your reference).

Further, you are requested to identify the Compensatory Afforestation land to equivalent non forest land. As per file No. FC-11/118/2021-FC dt. 18.07.2022 Point No. (i) Provisions of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022 shall apply to the proposals submitted on line through Parivesh Portal and which have not been accepted by the Nodal Officer before 28.06.2022. As the said proposal has been accepted by the Nodal Officer on 05.12.2022 which is after 28.06.2022.

Hence, the diversion proposal is returned herewith and you are requested to submit the point wise compliance report with all connecting documents to this office immediately for onward transmission to the higher quarters in due time for taking further action at this end.


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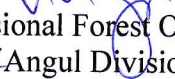
Memo No. 1507 / Dated. 21.2.24

Copy forwarded to Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle, Angul for kind information and necessary action with reference to your memo No. 595 dt. 15.02.2024.


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Angul Division

Memo No. 1508 / Dated. 21.2.24.

Copy forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer FC Act O/O the PCCF Odisha, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action with reference to memo No. 596 dt. 15.02.2024 of RCCF, Angul.


Divisional Forest Officer
Angul Division



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OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS; ANGUL CIRCLE,
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Email Id: rccfangul@gmail.com.

Memo No. 595/5F.FC-108//2023 dated. 15-2-24

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,
Angul Forest Division.

Sub:- Seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 44.64 ha. forest land and 13.09 ha Lookalike forest (Total 57.73 ha) for coal mining at Bharatpur Open cast expansion project at Bharatpur area of Mahanadi Coalfields Limited(MCL).

Ref:- (i) Proposal No. 153736/2022
(ii) State SI No. OR-060/2022 dated 05.12.2022
(iii) Your Memo No.661 dated 19.01.2024

With reference to your EDS compliance, the CA land pertaining to Bharatpur OCP project has been identified in 43.519 Ha of degraded forest land in Sunajhari RF of Bhubana Range and 72.462 Ha of Ramei RF in Sarangi Range under Dhenkanal Forest Division of Dhenkanal District.

In this connection, the following clarification has already been issued by ministry in file No.FC-11/118/2021-FC dated 18.07.2022.

- i) Provisions of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022 shall apply to the proposals submitted on line through Parivesh portal and which have not been accepted by the Nodal officer before 28.06.2022.
- ii) Provisions of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2003 shall apply to the proposals submitted online through Parivesh portal and which have been accepted by the Nodal Officer before 28.06.2022.

As the said proposal has been accepted by Nodal Officer on 05.12.2022 which is after 28.06.2022, provisions of Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022 shall have application and Forest (Conservation) Rules, 2022 provides that the compensatory afforestation, in lieu of forest land proposed for diversion, has to be raised over equivalent non- forest land which is not under the management and administrative control of the Forest Department. But, in the said proposal, the CA land has been identified in the degraded forest land.

Hence, the diversion proposal is returned herewith with a request to intimate to the User Agency for submission of CA over equivalent non forest land.

Encl:- As above

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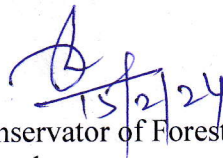
Memo No. 596 /Dated- 15-2-24

Copy forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act), O/o Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Orissa for favour of information with reference to Memo No. 663 dated 19.01.2024 of the DFO, Angul Division.


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