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22nd February, 2024

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary,
Forest & Environment Department,
Government of Odisha,
Bhubaneswar- 751 001.

Sub: Diversion of 0.433 ha of Sabik forest land in village Madhapur under Cuttack Forest Division of Jajpur District for construction of MS/HSD retail outlet by M/s Pradeep Mining and Construction Pvt. Ltd. under Section 2 (ii) of FC Act, 1980.

Ref: State Govt. letter No.FE-DIV-FLD-0008-2024-1654/FE&CC dated 25.01.2024.

Sir,

With subject and reference cited above, I am directed to inform that the State Govt. vide letter under reference has submitted the above mentioned proposal to this office seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. On examination proposal following was observed.

1. The DFO, Cuttack has reported that the applicant has already constructed concrete structure within the proposed forest area over 0.104 ha out of 0.433 ha of Sabik Forest land involved in the proposal in violation of FC Act, 1980. Hence, detail action taken report on violation may be submitted.

It is therefore requested to submit the compliance of the above observation to this office for further processing of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Padma Mahanti

(Dr. Padma Mahanti)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

1. The PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar – 751023 for kind information and necessary action.
2. The Director, M/s Pradeep Mining and Construction Pvt. Ltd., Chorda, Jajpur Road, Dist: Jajpur-755019, Odisha for information and necessary action.

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)