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To

The Principal Secretary,
Forest & Environment Department,
Govt. of Odisha, Sachivalaya,
Bhubaneswar - 751 001.

Sub: Diversion of 14.530 ha of forest land for construction of Aherajore Irrigation (Barrage with Canal) Project at village Debadarah & other villages coming within the canal alignment in Lakhanpur Block of Jharsuguda Dist of Odisha- reg.

Ref.: State Govt. letter No. 10F (Cons) 294/2016-24189/F&E dated 26.12.2016.

Sir.

I am directed to inform that the proposal has been examined and also on the basis of Power Point Presentation of the proposal by the user agency in this office on 10.02.2017, the following observations have been noticed.

- 1) During Power Point Presentation, it was observed that if the barrage is constructed at about 90 meter below the proposed site on the river, important forest can be saved. This possibility may be technically explored.
- 2) During Power Point Presentation, it was observed that the coordinates of the barrage & canal system have not been properly aligned. The alignment of the canal may be changed which is wrongly going across the contour. The correct shape file clearly showing the barrage & canal system need to be submitted.
- 3) The FRA Certificate has been issued in two types of forms i.e. Form-I for linear projects and Form-II for non-linear projects. However, the proposal is for construction of barrage including canal system. Hence, this project is to be considered as non-linear project and accordingly, a single FRA Certificate may be furnished.
- 4) As per the norm of CAT plan, 2% to 3% of the project cost is to be earmarked for CAT plan. However, in this project the cost of CAT plan is less than 2%. Hence, the CAT plan may be modified earmarking 3% of the project cost towards implementation of CAT plan. The increase in allocation of CAT plan to be used for treatment of water harvesting structures.

It is requested to kindly furnish the above clarification for further processing of the proposal at this end.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

(R. K. Samal)

Conservator of Forests (Central)

Copy to:

- 1) The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer, Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Bhubaneswar for kind information and necessary action.
- 2) The Executive Engineer, IB Investigation Division, Sundargarh, Dist- Sundargarh, Odisha 770 020 for information and necessary action

Conservator of Forests (Central)