

## भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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F.No. FC-I/CH-84/2017-NGP / 222

To,

Principal Secretary (Forest)/Additional Chief Secretary (Forest)/ \Commissioner Secretary (Chhattisgarh) Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

Subject : Diversion of 4.990 ha of forest land in Buffer Zone of Indrawati Tiger Reserve Bijapur for construction of Headquarter of 15th Vahini Battalion Chhattisgarh Force in village Dhanora, Bijapur District in the State of Chhattisgarh- Reg. (Parivesh 1.0 Proposal No. FP/CG/Others/18477/2016)-regarding.

## Reference: 1. The RO MoEF&CC Nagpur letter dated 29.07.2017

2 The State Government letter dated 17.01.2018

3 The RO MoEF&CC Nagpur letter dated 28.02.2018

Sir,

Please refer to the subject and references cited above. In this regard, it is to inform that while processing the subject proposal, the Regional Office (RO) Nagpur sought certain additional information from the State Government through the PARIVESH portal, as mentioned in reference no. (1). The required information was subsequently received offline from the State Government videthe letter cited in reference no. (2).

However, upon examining the response received, RO Nagpur, vide reference no. (3), sought further information, for which a reply is still awaited.

Meanwhile, it has been observed by the Regional Office that the State Government uploaded its response (reference no. 2) on 18.02.2025 in the PARIVESH portal and resubmitted the proposal online.

In this context, based on review of the reply at reference no.2 and relevant rules in vogue, the State Government is requested to examine the proposal in accordance with the MoEF&CC notification No. S.O. 5074(E) dated 29th November 2023 and allied provisons, as it falls under the Left Wing Extremism (LWE)-affected districts.

Further, the examination of the KML file suggests the possibility of certain nonforest activities within the proposed diversion area. If a violation of the VSSA 1980 is confirmed, the State Government is requested to process the proposal as per the provisions of Para 17 of the MoEF&CC notification No. S.O. 5074(E) dated 29th November 2023. In view of the above observations, the State Government is requested to reexamine the proposal in accordance with the relevant rules and do the needful.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority, Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Nagpur.

Yours faithfully, 03/25 ·w (Dayananda.N) Technical Officer (Forestry)

Copy to:

- 1. The IGF (RoHQ), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003 for information please
- 2. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Chhattisgarh, Aranya Bhawan, Sector-19, Nava Raipur, Chhattisgarh
- 3. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh, Aryan Bhawan, Nawa Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
- 4. User agency.

5. Guard file.

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