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प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक-सह-नोडल पदाधिकारी (एफ.सी.)

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झारखण्ड सरकार,

वन भवन, डोरंडा, राँची - 834002

Subject: Diversion of 197.0115 ha (Chatra North – 61.772 ha, Chatra South – 119.8806 ha & Latehar – 15.3589 ha) forest land in favour of North Karanpura Transco Limited for construction of 400 KV D/C Transmission Line from North Karanpura (Tandwa) to Gaya Transmission Line under Chatra North, Chatra South & Latehar Forest Division in Chatra districts of Jharkhand-reg.

Reference: 59th REC meeting of IRO, Ranchi held on 21.02.2023

Sir,

I am directed to draw your kind attention towards the above-mentioned FC proposal, the said proposal was discussed in the *59th REC* meeting with special emphasis on violation over GMJJ (Gair Majarua Jungle Jhari) land as reported by IRO, Ranchi during examination of the proposal. The committee recommended the proposal for inprinciple approval provided the anomaly related to the reported violation is mitigated by the state government. Therefore, the committee has demanded the following specific information related to the proposal:

- i. The proposal apparently involves violation over GMJJ land which is neither under jurisdiction nor under management/ownership of state forest department. Revenue Department of Jharkhand has jurisdiction over such land, however, JJ land falls under deemed forest category. Therefore, either such violation be compounded appropriately by state government before forwarding the proposal to central government or should clearly specify the penal provisions to be undertaken along with recommendation of the department having the jurisdiction on the land.
- ii. The Committee opined that a detailed report in the may be submitted by the State Forest Department regarding the extant proposition.
- iii. The Committee opined, if user agency has started work on GMJJ while the FC proposal is still at processing level, the FC violation should be dealt as per FC Handbook's para 1.21(ii) a & b only, whereas the Penal CA DFL area should have been 10 times of the area involved in the proposal with 5 times of NPV from regular NPV rates.
- iv. Committee raised question over employment generation and suggested UA to submit the DPR/report prepared in the proposal to justify/clarify it.
- v. Wildlife Management Plan, soil and moisture conservation plan with approval of Chief Wildlife Warden to be submitted before the final approval.

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The Committee recommended the proposal for "in-principle" approval after the receipt of required report/reply/undertakings as enumerated above.

This is submitted for your kind consideration please.

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