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To

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Chhattisgarh,
Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhavan,
New Raipur (CG).

Sub: Diversion of 4.365 ha of forest land in favour of Executive Engineer, Public Works Department (B/R), Jashpur Division, Jashpur for extension of Aagdi Air Strip in Jashpur Forest Division in Jashpur District in the State of Chhattisgarh – regarding.


Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no. 5-7/2016/10-2 dated 03/03/2016 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that preliminary scrutiny of the proposal in the Regional Office revealed following:

- Part-II of the proposal mention that the forest area proposed for diversion is sensitive to erosion. However, no specific scheme for conservation measures to be implemented in the area has been provided. Therefore, details of soil conservation measures, if any proposed in the area proposed for diversion may be submitted by the State Government.
- List of animals and birds found in and around the area has not been submitted along with the proposal.
- Details of forest or non-forest land area involved in the construction of bye pass approach road have not been provided in the proposal.
- One of the components, as per the detail indicated in the proposal, project includes excavation of forest (Pg 18/10/c the proposal for which no further detail has been provided. The underlying detail of the said project component may be provided by the State Government.
- Detail of approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and status of compliance thereof, if any obtained for the Aagdi air strip in the past, has not been mentioned by the State Government.
- As per the details indicated in the Part-II, the area proposed for diversion forms the part of elephant corridor used by the elephants for their movements. Comments of the PCCF (Wildlife)-cum-Chief Wildlife Warden on the same may be submitted to take further view on the proposal.
- Copies of record of meetings of Forest Right Committee and Sub-Divisional Level Committee may also be submitted along with the compliance of Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit the information on the shortcomings, as indicated above, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,


(Charan Jeet Singh)
Scientist 'C'

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1. The PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur
2. The Nodal Officer FCA, O/o of the PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.

3. User Agency.
4. Guard File.



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