Government of Odisha Forest & Environment Department

No.10F(Cons) 69/2017. 10496/F&E, Bhubaneswar, dated. 18.5.17
From

Sri Debidutta Biswal, IFS, Special Secretary to Government.

To

The Principal CCF, Odisha

Sub: - Proposal for diversion of 18.5 ha of revenue forest land for construction of 220 KV S/C Transmission Line from 220/33KV grid Sub-Station at Balimela to 220/33KV grid Sub-Station at Malkangiri in Malkangiri district, Odisha by M/s Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited (Proposal No. FP/OR/TRANS/20912/2016).

Sir,

I am directed to invite reference to your letter No.11024 dt. 2.5.2017 in which above mentioned forest diversion proposal was furnished to F&E department for consideration. Upon scrutiny of the diversion proposal, the following deficiencies are observed.

- (a) 18.5ha. of Revenue Forests(Gramya Jungle) has been identified for compensatory afforestation. This is not desirable. Either equivalent extent of non-forest (Government/private) land or degraded forest land twice in extent suitable for plantation as per GoI guidelines dt. 11.7.2014 will be considered for raising Compensatory afforestation. Duly approved Site Specific CA scheme with land suitability certificate of DFO, non-encroachment/non-encumbrance certificate of Tahasildar concerned, letter of competent revenue authority allotting non-forest Government land for CA, SoI topomap showing the CA area and geo-referenced map of CA area duly authenticated by Tahasildar and DFO concerned need to be submitted.
- (b) Approval of Administrative department for acquiring land including private land for the project needs to be submitted.
- (c) No. of trees barely necessary for felling in non-forest land and forest land and remaining to be pruned, may be indicated.
- (d) Minimum height of proposed transmission line from ground along with minimum clearances to be allowed between the conductor of transmission line needs to be indicated.

In view of the above deficiencies, the diversion proposal received in three copies(Each copy containing two volumes) are returned herewith with request to re-submit the diversion proposal with required compliances early as it is an infrastructure project in LWE affected Malkangiri district.

Yours faithfully,

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 10497 /Dated. 18.5.17

Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Koraput/Divisional Forest Officer, Malkangiri Forest Division for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 10498 /Dated. 18,5,17

Copy forwarded to the Energy Department /Collector, Malkangiri for information and necessary action.

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Memo. No. 10499 /F&Edt 18-5.17

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