



No.5-ORC628/2024-BHU

13th May, 2024

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary,
Forest & Environment Department,
Government of Odisha,
Bhubaneswar- 751 001.

Sub: Diversion of 9.195 ha of forest land coming under Phulbani Forest Division for improvement of forest road from Samapaju to Panisal under inter District of Kandhamal by the Executive Engineer, Rural Works Division, Boudh.

Ref: PCCF (Nodal), Odisha's letter No.7334/9F(Road)-372/2023 dated 03.03.2024.

Sir,

With subject and reference cited above, I am directed to inform that the above proposal was discussed in the REC meeting held on 26.04.2024. The Committee observed that the proposed area comes under very dense forest. Further, the road is connecting two villages viz. Samapaju and Panisal. The proposed expansion of road is coming under only Phulbani Forest Division. The Committee desired to know whether any traffic study has been done for the instant road project? Whether strengthening of the existing road can be done without widening the RoW from 3.5 mtrs to 7 mtrs? The Committee deferred the proposal and desired to seek the above information from the State Govt.

It is therefore requested to furnish information on above observation of REC to this office for further processing of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Padma Mahanti

(Dr. Padma Mahanti)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

1. The PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar - 751023 for kind information and necessary action.
2. The Executive Engineer, Rural Works Division, Boudh, At/PO: Malisahi, Dist: Boudh - 762014, Odisha for information and necessary action.


Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)