

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE Regional Office (WCZ) Ground Floor, East Wing New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001 apccfcetral-ngp-mef@gov.in

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

Sub: Diversion of 36.99 ha of forest land under Forest Conservation Act,1980 for widening and upgrading to 2 Lane with paved shoulder of NH-78 (New NH-43) Katni- Gulma Road from Manendargarh to Dumariya (Baikunthpur) under NH corridor scheme in favour of Public Works Division, National Highway Zone Raipur, in Korea District in the State of Chhattisgarh- regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Chhattisgarh's F-5-1/2019/10-2 dated 8.03.2019 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and letter number F-5-1/2019/10-2 dated 27.05.2019 forwarding additional information as requested by Regional Office vide letter dated 12.04.2019 and to say that proposal of State Government was placed before REC in its 48th meeting held on 30.05.2019. After detailed examination and discussion on the proposal, the Committee decided to approve the proposal for diversion of forest land under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Further, Committee decided that Regional Office will issue Stage-I approval only after the receipt of complete CB analysis, dully estimating all the parameters in monetary terms for cost and benefits as mentioned in MoEF&CC's guidelines dated 1.08.2017.

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

Yours faithfully,

(N K Dimri) Technical Officer (Gr-I)

Copy to:

i. The PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.

ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.

iii. User agency.

iv. Guard file

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