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No. IRO/KOL/WB/Others/154900/2022/205

Date: 12th June 2023

To,

The Addl. Chief Secretary,
Department of Forests,
Government of West Bengal,
Aranya Bhawan, Block-LA, 10-A, Sector – III,
Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700106.

Sub: Diversion of 12.5492 ha of forest land in favour of Essar Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Ltd. for drilling CBM Gas wells, construct approach road & laying pipeline under Burdwan and Durgapur Forest Division of West Bengal -reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer the letter No.524-For/O/L/10T-29/2022 dated 23.11.2022 on the above cited subject vide which reply of this office letter dated 23.11.2022 has been submitted. The proposal was discussed in $15^{\rm th}$ REC Meeting and the Committee deferred the proposal with following observations:

- i. Copy of approved Soil Moisture Conservation Plan & Wildlife Conservation Plan should be presented before REC as recommended by the State Forest Department.
- ii. Plan for treatment of the effluent water generated due to pumping out of underground water along with Methane should be presented before the Committee.

Therefore, it is requested that above mentioned documents/ information may kindly be uploaded in the PARIVESH portal for further consideration of the proposal by REC.

Yours Sincerely,

(Dr. S. Hare Krishna Murti) Assistant Inspector General of Forest(c)

Copy to:-

- 1. The PCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Department of Forests, Government of West Bengal, Aranya Bhawan, Salt Lake City, Kolkata, 700098.
- 2. The Divisional Forest Officer, Burdwan & Durgapur Forest Division, West Bengal.
- 3. The Chief Operating Officer, Main Compressor Station (MCS), Village & PO Malandighi, Kanska, Paschim Bardhaman 713212.
- 4. Guard File.