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**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA**  
**FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT**

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Memo No. 11265 /F&E, Date 29-06-2021

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Copy of Government of India, MoEF&CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar vide Letter No.5-ORC469/2021-BHU dtd.22.06.2021 on the matter of diversion of 15.265 ha of forest land for expansion of existing of Red Mud Pond at village Rengopali under Lanjigarh Tahsil in Kalahandi District of Odisha by Vedanta in favour of M/s IDCO, Bhubaneswar under Kalahandi South Forest Division forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Odisha for kind information and necessary action.

It is requested to furnish the required clarification/ information as sought for by Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar in the aforesaid letter directly to the Ministry under intimation to this Department.

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 11266 /F&E Date 29-06-2021

Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Odisha for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 11267 /F&E Date 29-06-2021

Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Bhawanipatna Circle / Divisional Forest Officer, Kalahandi (South) Forest Division for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 11268 /F&E Date 29-06-2021

Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to Steel & Mines Department/ Revenue & Disaster Management Department/ Industries Department/ Director of Environment, FE&CC Department/ Member Secretary, SPCB, Odisha / Collector, Kalahandi for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 11269 /F&E Date 29-06-2021

Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Chief General Manager (Land), IDCO, Odisha, Bhubaneswar/ M/s Vedanta Aluminum Ltd., At/Po-Lanjigarh, Dist-Kalahandi, Odisha for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government



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भारत सरकार / Government of India  
 पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय / Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
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 ए/3, चंद्रशेखरपुर / A/3, Chandrasekharpur  
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No.5-ORC469/2021-BHU

18<sup>th</sup> June, 2021  
22<sup>nd</sup>

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary,  
 Forest & Environment Deptt.,  
 Government of Odisha,  
 Bhubaneswar.

Sub: Diversion of 15.265 ha of forest land for expansion of existing of Red Mud Pond at village Rengopali under Lanjigarh Tahasil in Kalahandi District of Odisha by Vedanta in favour of M/s IDCO, Bhubaneswar, under Kalahandi South Forest Division.

Ref: State Govt. letter No.10F(Cons)44/2021-10169/F&E dated 04.06.201.

Madam,

With subject and reference cited above, I am directed to inform that the State Govt. vide letter under reference has submitted the above mentioned proposal to this office seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section-2 of Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980. On scrutiny of the proposal following has been observed.

1. The density of vegetation in the proposed area is reported to be 0.6 (Eco-Value Class-III), whereas total 306 nos. of trees have been enumerated over proposed forest land for diversion.
2. The DFO, Kalahandi (South) Division has not uploaded the SoI Toposheet, DGPS map, KML file & C.A. Scheme of identified degraded forest land for additional C.A. in Parivesh web portal.

It is therefore requested to furnish the clarification/information on the above observations to this office for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Padma Mahanti

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Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

1. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751023 for information and necessary action.

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2. The Chief General Manager (Land), IDCO, IDCO Tower, Janpath, Bhubanesar for information and necessary action.

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)