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Memo No. 11076 /9F(MG)- 304/2023  
Dated, Bhubaneswar, the 09<sup>th</sup> June, 2023

To

The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests  
Angul Circle, Angul

**Sub: Proposal for diversion of 193.845 Ha of Forest land within Mining Lease area over 1265.00 Ha of Balaram Open Cast expansion(15MTy)Coal Block of Mahanadi Coal Field Limited in Angul Forest Division of Angul District. Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/59166/2020 and State SL. NO. OR-025/2021 dated 05.04.2021**

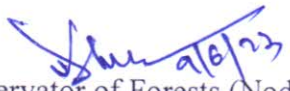
Ref: Your office Memo No.1757 dated 09.05.2023

In inviting reference to your aforesaid office memo on the captioned subject, this is to inform you that during the course of checking of the above proposal the following discrepancies have been noticed.

- i) In land use pattern, the user agency has mentioned to utilise 5.229 ha forest land towards infrastructure. The details of infrastructure to be constructed and the approximate forest land needed for the same is to be furnished with justification for locating the same on forest land.
- ii) The user agency has submitted the compliance to the forest clearance accorded on dt. 28.09.1990 over 85.01 ha forest land. In compliance to the condition no. (iii), the UA has stated that around 156.37 ha mined out area has been back filled and 3,73,044 seedlings have been planted on the back filled area. The KML file of the planted back filled area over 156.37 ha may be furnished.
- iii) Undertaking to hand over the above reclaimed and planted area to the forest department to be furnished.
- iv) DFL for taking up CA has been identified in Dhenkanal division. DFO, Dhenkanal to produce an undertaking stating that no plantation under any scheme has been taken up in the identified DFL in Dolia and Anantapur RF during last 10 years.

- v) In CA scheme, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to hand over the exact extent of afforested non-forest land against the proposed forest land for diversion as the UA has proposed to take up twice DFL for CA violating the condition framed by MoEF &CC, GoI while granting Stage-I to Utkal-E of M/s NALCO on dt. 12.03.2021 for Talcher Tract bearing Coal. The UA is required to furnish the details of the non-forest area proposed to be hand over to the department after taking up plantation after 10 years of getting Stage-II clearance.

Therefore, you are requested to furnish the compliance to the above observations to this office at the earliest for taking further necessary action at this end.

  
Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

Memo No. 11077 /Dt. 09.06.2023

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Angul Forest Division for information & necessary action with reference to Memo No.1759 dated 09.05.2023 of the RCCF, Angul Circle to his address.

  
Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

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Copy forwarded to the General Manager, Hingula area, At/Po-Danara Talcher, Angul-759148 for information and necessary action.

  
Conservator of Forests (Nodal)