

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

Memo No. 14260 /FE&CC, Date 10.07.23
FE-DIV-FLD-0050-2023/ 10F-(Cons)-35/2023

Copy of Government of India, MoEF&CC, IRO, Bhubaneswar vide Letter No.5-ORC576/2023-BHU dtd.30.06.2023 on the matter of diversion of 8.435 ha of forest land for construction of 220 KV/DC transmission line from 400/200 KV PGCIL Gird Sub-Station, Keonjhar to 220/132/33 KV Grid Sub-Station at Turumunga, Keonjhar by OPTCL forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Odisha for kind information and necessary action.

It is requested to kindly furnish the required information as sought for in the aforementioned letter directly to the Ministry under intimation to this Department.

d. 10/7/2023

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government
Memo No. 14261 /FE&CC Date 10.07.23

Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Odisha/ Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FD&NO), FC Act, O/o PCCF & HoFF, Odisha for information and necessary action.

d. 10/7/2023

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government
Memo No. 14262 /FE&CC Date 10.07.23

Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Rourkela Circle/ Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Forest Division for information and necessary action.

d. 10/7/2023

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government
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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to Energy Department/ Revenue & Disaster Management Department/ Collector, Keonjhar for information and necessary action.

d. 10/7/2023

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government
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Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Deputy General Manager (Elect.), EHT (Const.) Division, OPTCL, Keonjhar, At-Baladevjew, Lane No.8, Jagannathpur, Post-Keonjhar, Dist-Keonjhar, Odisha, Pin-758001 for information and necessary action.

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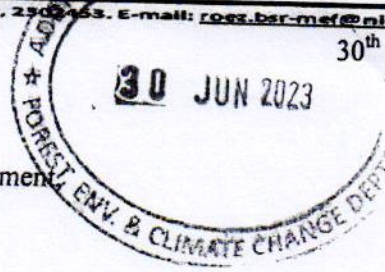


No.5-ORC576/2023-BHU

30th June, 2023

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary,
Forest, Environment and Climate Change Department,
Government of Odisha,
Kharavel Bhavan, Bhubaneswar- 751001.



Sub: Diversion of 8.435 ha of forest land for construction of 220 KV/DC transmission line from 400/200 KV PGCIL Grid Sub-Station, Keonjhar to 220/132/33 KV Grid Sub-Station at Turumunga, Keonjhar by OPTCL.

Ref: State Govt. letter No.FE-DIV-FLD-0050-2023-10898/FE&CC dated 26.05.2023.

Sir,

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.

The proposal was discussed in the REC meeting held on 13.06.2023. While examining the proposal, the Committee observed that one tower has been constructed in the forest land proposed for diversion in violation of FC Act, 1980. The REC deferred the proposal and decided to seek clarification from the State Govt. on the following points.

- 1) Extent of forest area used in violation of Forest (Consrvation) Act, 1980.
- 2) Detailed action taken by the State Govt. on violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

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

Yours faithfully,

Padma Mahanti

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Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

1. The PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar – 751 023 for kind information and necessary action.
2. The Deputy General Manager (Elect), EHT (Const.) Division, OPTCL, Keonjhar, At: Baldevjew Colony, Lane No.8, Jagannathpur, PO: Keonjhar-758001, Dist: Keonhar, Odisha for information and necessary action.

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