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To

The Principal Secretary,
Forest & Environment Department,
Government of Odisha,
Sachivalaya,
Bhubaneswar – 751 001.

Sub: Diversion of 4.545 ha of revenue forest land for construction of Pallahara Bypass road coming within the stretch of Km. 0.000 to Km. 68.280 under the project “Rehabilitation and up-gradation of NH-49 from Pallahara to Pitiri Section to two lanes with paved shoulders under NHDP-IV in the State of Odisha on EPC mode” under Deogarh Forest Division in Angul District, Odisha.

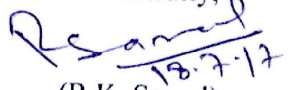
Ref: State Govt. letter No.10F(Cons)144/2017-11950/F&E dated 05.06.2017.

Sir,

With reference to the subject 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 the followings have been observed.

- The status of 284.961 ha of balance non-forest land involved in this road project as on 25.10.1980 not furnished.
- Number of trees to be felled from balance 284.961 ha of non-forest land involved in this project not furnished.
- As per DSS analysis, some constructed structures are there in the proposed patches of forest land involved in the bypass road. It may kindly be clarified whether violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 has been committed by the user agency for taking up the above activity on the forest land proposed for diversion.
- As per DSS analysis, one water body is there within the identified non-forest land for compensatory afforestation. It is not clear, if this is included in the C.A. area.
- FRA certificate needs to be submitted in original or to be attested by the issuing authority as per Ministry's letter No.11-360/2016-FC dated 17.11.2016.

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

Yours faithfully,

(R.K. Samal)

Conservator of Forests (Central)

Copy to:

- The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o the Principal CCF, Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar -751 023 for kind information and necessary action.
- The Executive Engineer, NH Division, Pallahara, Dist: Angul, Odisha for information and necessary action.


Conservator of Forests (Central)