



No.5-ORC470/2021-BHU

8th July, 2021

To

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

Sub: Diversion of 13.233 ha of forest land for construction of Air Strip at Malkangiri by Executive Engineer, Malkangiri (R&B) Division, Malkangiri, Odisha.

Ref: State Govt. letter No.10F(Cons)45/2021-11009/F&E dated 23.06.2021.

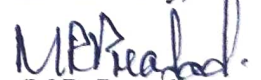
Madam,

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 have been observed.

1. State Govt. has informed that the proposed Air strip includes construction of run way, approach road and airport terminal etc. However, the State Govt. has not furnished the detailed purpose wise break-up of total land involved in this project.
2. The user agency has not uploaded KML file of forest land proposed for diversion in Parivesh web portal of the Ministry.
3. The non-forest land identified for C.A. is not contiguous to forest area. Further, the DFO, Malkangiri in C.A. Scheme has also mentioned that the identified C.A. land is at distance of 2.00 Km from Bhimaram PRF. Hence, new non-forest land for C.A. contiguous to forest area may be identified and revised C.A. Scheme along with SoI Toposheet, Geo-reference map & KML file may be submitted.

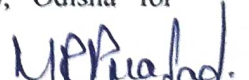
It is therefore requested to furnish the above information to this office for further necessary action at this end.

Yours faithfully,


(M.R. Prasad)
Scientist 'B'

Copy to:

1. The APCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751023 for kind information and necessary action.
2. The Executive Engineer, Malkangiri (R&B) Division, Malkangiri-764045, Odisha for information and necessary action.


Scientist 'B'