## GOVERNMENT OFODISHA FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

No.FE-DIV-FLD -0011-2024- 14706 /FE&CC, Date 12.08.29 10F (Cons)-09/2024

From

Shri Lingaraj Otta, OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Odisha.

Sub: Diversion of 32.717 ha Revenue forest land in Mouza Harapur, Harekrushnapur, Durgapur and Alkar under Jatani Tahasil of Khordha District for establishment of Infovalley Electronics Manufacturing cluster - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to invite a reference to the captioned subject and to inform that the Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C), Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, Regional Office, Bhubaneswar vide letter No.5-ORC635/2024-BHU, dtd.30.07.2024 (copy enclosed) has intimated that the Regional Office has observed that as per DSS analysis/ Google imagery, the user agency has used the forest land for non-forest purpose in several patches of forest land (9 places) without prior approval under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. Thus, it has been intimated to submit the aforesaid proposal to the MoEF&CC, New Delhi as per Rule-10(2) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023. The RO, Bhubaneswar has not returned the physical copy of the diversion proposal.

Hence, you are requested to kindly direct the user agency to submit a physical copy of the said proposal containing all the documents as submitted previously and transmit the same to this Department for further action at this end.

Yours faithfully,

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 14707 /FE&CC,

Date 12.08.24

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.

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 14708 /FE&CC, Date 12.08.24
Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Bhubaneswar Circle/ Divisional Forest Officer, City Forest Division, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action.
OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government
Memo No. 14709 /FE&CC, Date 12.08.24
Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to GA & PG Department/ R&DM Department/ H&UD Department/ Collector, Khurda for information and necessary action.
OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government
Memo No. 14710 /FE&CC, Date 12.08.24
Copy with copy of enclosure forwarded to the Chief General Manager Environment, IDCO, IDCO Towers, Janpath, Bhubaneswar, Khordha, Odisha-751022 for information and necessary action.

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

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No.5-ORC635/2024-BHU

30th July, 2024

To

The Addl. Chief Secretary, Forest, Environment & CC Dep Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar – 751 001.



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Ref: 1) This office letter of even number dated 29.02.2024.

2) PCCF (Nodal), Odisha's letter No.13342/9F (IND)-398/2023 dated 05.07.2024.

Sir.

With subject and reference cited above, I am directed to inform that the point wise reply furnished by State Govt. vide letter under reference-2 was examined in this office. It is observed that as per DSS analysis/Google imagery, the user agency has used the forest land for non-forestry purpose in several patches of forest land (9 places) without prior approval under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam. 1980. Thus, the proposal involves violation. As per Rule 10 (2) of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rule, 2023, the above proposal may be submitted to MoEF&CC, New Delhi for further necessary action.

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(Dr. Padma Mahanti) Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

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

 The Chief General Manager (Environment), IDCO, IDCO Towers, Janapath, Bhubaneswar-751022, Odisha.

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

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