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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FOREST ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

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From

Lingaraj Otta,
OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Odisha
Bhubaneswar

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 0.03 ha of forest land in village Madhapur for installation of High Transmission Line connected to Aarti Steels Ltd., Ghantikhal under Athagarh Forest Division.

Ref: Your Office Letter No.11025 dtd.20.05.2025

Sir,

With reference to the above, I am directed to request you to furnish the information on the following points pertaining the above project.

1. The Land Schedule of 0.03 ha of forest land (Kissam-Jungle) bearing Khata No.228, Plot No.51/958, Mouza-Madhabapur of Sri Sadasiba Das was verified from the 'Bhulekh' portal and it was seen that as per Misc Case No.33 of 2016 the area of Plot No.51/958 has been made as Ac.6.46 Dec instead of Ac.2.46 Dec. This indicates that additional Ac.4.00 of land has been included in the said plot through a Misc. Case. It is necessary to know the details of the original plot with Kissam and ownership from which the additional Ac.4.00 land was brought and added to the Plot No.51/958 and the process adopted through which the area of the plot was increased to Ac.6.46 Dec. This may be ascertained from the Revenue Authorities.
2. The alignment of the project as shown in the map (Plate-IV) is crossing the Oringa Reserve Forest and hence the project alignment may be jointly verified with the Revenue Authorities to ascertain if any more forest areas are coming within the project alignment.
3. Under the Violation Column, it has been stated that, as reported by the DFO, Athagarh Forest Division in his Site Inspection Report, the User Agency has already completed the construction of tower of Transmission Line on the said plot and the Transmission Line is already in functional stage without obtaining Forest Clearance from the Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, violating Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. But the period in which the construction has been completed by the User Agency has not been mentioned. The period of violation may be intimated.
4. The copy of the administrative approval of the project by the Competent Authority may be furnished. Further, the connectivity permission from the OPTCL for construction of the project may also be submitted.

Yours faithfully

25/8/2025

OSD-cum-Special Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to the President, M/s Aarti Steels Ltd, At-Ghantikhal, Po-Mahakalabasta, Via-Athagarh, Dist-Cuttack, Odisha for information and necessary action.

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