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भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE Integrated Regional Office (Raipur) Atal Nagar, Naya Raipur Chhattisgarh- 492015 iro.raipur-mefcc@gov.in

F. No. FC-I/IROCH-06/2021-NGP / 27

Dated: 30th July, 2021

The Principal Secretary (Forests), Government of Chhattisgarh, Forest Department, Mantralaya, Mahanadi Bhavan, New Raipur (CG).

Sub: Diversion of 0.117 ha Forest land in favour of Singhal Energy Pvt. Ltd. for Laying Pipeline from Gerwani Nala to Plant for Water Supply in Raigarh District in the State of Chhattisgarh – regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to State Government of Chhattisgarh letter No. क्रमांक/एफ 5-05/2021/10-2 dated 25.06.2021 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 to say that preliminary scrutiny of the proposal in the Regional Office revealed following:

- i. Examination of proposed alignment over google satellite imaginary revealed that instant pipeline is proposed adjacent to existing road. State Government need to submit specific comments on why the proposed pipeline cannot be laid down within the existing RoW of road or next to it.
- ii. Details of alternative examined before finalization of proposed alignment along with comparative statement of all ecological parameters dully considered need to be submitted.
- iii. Part-I, of Form-A has been submitted without mentioning the date of submission. Also, Part-II submitted without mentioning the name of the signing authority.
- iv. Examination of compliance of Scheduled Tribe and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, revealed that the proceedings of Sub Division level committee have not submitted, same need to be submitted.
- v. Details of employment potential in terms of man days of skilled, semiskilled and unskilled persons on permanent (direct and indirect) and temporary (direct and indirect) basis have not been provided.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit the complete information as mentioned above, to this Ministry for further necessary action in the matter.

This issues with the approval of Regional Officer (Central), Integrated Regional Office, MoEF & CC, Raipur

Yours faithfully,

(N K Dimri)

Technical Officer (Gr-I)

Copy to:

- i. The PCCF (HoFF), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- ii. The Addl. PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- iii. User Agency.
- iv. Guard file.

(N K Dimri) Technical Officer (Gr-I)