

## भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवाय परिवर्तन मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE Regional Office (WCZ) Ground Floor, East Wing New Secretariat Building Civil Lines, Nagpur - 440001 apccfcentral-ngp-mef@gov.in

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

Sub: Diversion of 9.584 ha of Forest Land in favour of MAHAN SHP III Hypro Power for laying 132 KV of Transmission Line from Chikni to Pratappur under Forest Conservation Act, 1980 in Surguja District in the state of Chhattisgarh– regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government of Chhattisgarh's letter no. F F-5-15/2019/10-2 dated 17.09.2019 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section – 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that scrutiny of the proposal in the Regional Office (WCZ) of the MoEF&CC at Nagpur revealed following:

- i. State Government in its forwarding letter and as per details in online submitted Part-II, there are total 1176 project affected trees, however, as per complete enumeration detail submitted along with proposal there are 1486 project affected trees. Discrepancy in number of project affected trees may be revisited by State Government and correct number of project affected trees and trees proposed for felling within 3 mtr corridor may need to be submitted.
- ii. 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, I am directed to request the State Government to submit the information on the shortcomings, as indicated above, to this office for further necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully

Technical Officer

## Copy to:

- 1. The PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur
- 2. The Nodal Officer FCA), O/o of the PCCF, Government of Chhattisgarh, Raipur.
- 3. User Agency.
- 4. Guard File.

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