

STATE FOREST HEADQUARTERS, ODISHA OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS & HoFF PLOT NO. GD-2/12, ARANYA BHAWAN, CHANDRASEKHARPUR BHUBANESWAR-751023

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Memo No. 18961

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Dated, Bhubaneswar the

21 September' 2023

To

The Divisional Forest Officer Sundargarh Forest Division

Sub-: Proposal for diversion of 134.69 ha of forest land for expansion of Kulda Open cast Coal Mining Project of Basundhara Area of Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd. in Sundargarh District under Sundargarh Forest Division (Proposal No: FP/OR/MIN/50293/2020, State Serial No. OR-050/2021 dated 08.07.2021).

Ref-: Memo No. 1728 dated 24.05.2023 & 2936 dated 08.09.2023 of RCCF, Rourkela Circle.

On scrutiny of the CA Scheme over 305.59 ha (effective area 286.96 ha) of Degraded Forest Land (DFL) identified in Pandripani RF, Panikholia RF, Sidarmunda RF and Punjipahad RF under Gopalpur Range of your division, the following discrepancies are noticed:-

- 1. It has been calculated in the financial outlay of CA Scheme that fencing of Bamboo Twigs & Thorns over 286.96 ha x 250 rmt = 71740 Rmt @ Rs. 188.00 per Rmt. But the actual length of the periphery of the CA site has not been mentioned and the cost provided is not in consonance with any of approved one-time cost norm.
- Watering provision to CA plantation is calculated over 286.96 ha @ Rs.5,27,321/- per ha (Model-II of one-time cost-norm basis). But number of Borewells to be required has not been mentioned.
- 3. There is no provision for watering and fencing activities in the write up part of the scheme.

In this context, I am directed to request you to furnish the compliance to the above deficiencies relating to CA scheme immediately through RCCF, Rourkela Circle for further course of action.

Conservator of Forests (Nodal)

/Dt. 21.09.2023 18962

Copy forwarded to the RCCF, Rourkela Circle for information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 1727 dated 24.05.2023 & 2935 dated 08.09.2023.

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Copy forwarded to the Project Officer, Kulda OCP, Basundhara Area of M/s Mahanadi Coalfields Limited for information and necessary.

Conservator of Forests (Nodal)