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The Addl. Chief Secretary, Forest, Environment & CC Deptt., Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar

Sub: Diversion of 7.043 Ha of forest land (Reserved Forest – 4.00 Ha, Revenue Forest – 3.043 Ha) for widening and strengthening of Raruan-Fagu-via-Ghagarbeda Road from 0/000 Km to 25/000 Km under the jurisdiction of Karanjia Forest Division in the District of Mayurbhanj by the Executive Engineer, Rairangpur R&B Division.

Ref: State Govt. letter No.10F(Cons)33/2022-14431/FE&CC dated 17.08.2022.

Madam,

With subject and reference cited above, I am directed to inform that the State Govt. vide letter under reference has submitted the above mentioned proposal to this office seeking prior approval of Central Government under Section-2 of Forests (Conservation) Act, 1980. On scrutiny of the proposal, the following has been observed.

1. The user agency has not furnished the shape/KML files of entire stretch of road

alignment proposed for widening with proposal.

2. State Govt. has reported that elephants and other wildlife are noticed in the area. However, to mitigate the impact on elephant and other wildlife habitat, measures have not been recommended.

3. As per DSS, the proposed C.A. area is 2.17 km away from nearest the Gambharia RF. How far the management of this C.A. area of 7.043 Ha will be feasible may be furnished.

It is therefore requested to kindly furnish the above information to this office for further necessary action.

(Padma Mahanti)

Yours faithfully,

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

1. The CCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar – 751 023 for kind information and necessary action.

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2. The Executive Engineer, Rairangpur R&B Division, Rairangpur, Dist: Mayurbhanj-757043, Odisha for information and necessary action.

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)