

**OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER: NABARANGPUR DIVISION**

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Dated, Nabarangpur the 29 th September, 2016

**From:- Sri Swayam Mallick, IFS  
Divisional Forest Officer,  
Nabarangpur Division**

**To  
The Executive Engineer,  
Koraput Investigation Division,  
Jeypore**

**Sub:-** Proposal for diversion of 51.783 Ha of forest land for construction of Turi- Guntat Irrigation Project in Nabarangpur district by Department of Water Resources, Govt. of Odisha (Proposal No.FP/OR/IRRIG/13379/2015)

**Ref:-** Letter No.10F(Cons) 256/2016- 16465/ F& E dated. 2.09.2016 of Special Secretary to Govt. F& E Deptt. Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar

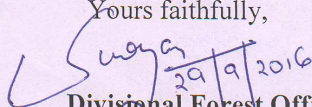
Sir,

With reference to the above cited correspondences on the subject, I am to say that on scrutiny of the above proposal the following deficiencies have been noticed by the Special Secretary to Govt. F& E Deptt. Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar

- (i) The project proposal includes a reservoir as well as canal project where forest land is also required. Since this is a non-site specific project, more than two alternate sites need to be examined and details thereof submitted to ensure avoiding /minimum use of forest land as per para 2.1(3) of FC Act guidelines. Despite mention of several alternative sites examined for this project at page 212/DP, no details of such examination as per above FC Act guidelines have been furnished in the DP to ensure inescapability of forest land.
- (ii) It needs to be clarified whether this is a major/medium irrigation project.
- (iii) The project envisages two barrages to be linked by a canal. This project needs 363.309 Ha of land including 20.774 of forest land for canal project for irrigation. Details of canal project such as its length, width and other relevant information have not been furnished.
- (iv) 51.783 of forest land required for the project includes 7.193 Ha of Bikrampur Reserve Forests., The forest land schedule of Bikrampur village authenticated by Tahasildar, Nabarangpur (page No.106/DP) does not mention about this extent of land in RF. Land schedule of this village needs to mention RF land duly signed. Besides, a map is required to be furnished (A/4 size) showing boundary pillars of 7.193 Ha of RF land required for the project.

You are therefore requested to re-submit after due compliance to the deficiencies pointed out to this office immediately for necessary compliance .

Yours faithfully,

  
29/9/2016  
**Divisional Forest Officer,  
Nabarangpur Division**