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29<sup>th</sup> September, 2023

To

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

Sub: Diversion of 1.148 ha of Revenue forest land in village Anajodi for Y-Connection railway line by M/s Vedanta Limited, Lanjigarh in Rayagada Forest Division.

Ref: State Govt. letter No.FE-DIV-FLD-0064-2023-19966/FE&CC dated 21.09.2023.

Sir,

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 examination proposal following was observed.

- The user agency has not submitted KML file of entire alignment of proposed Y-connectivity project.
- As per DSS analysis, agricultural encroachment and non-metalled road are observed in the CA patch. This may be clarified by the State Govt. in view of the suitability of CA land and encroachment free land.

It is therefore requested to furnish the above desired information for further processing of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

*Padma Mahanti*

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Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)

Copy to:

- The PCCF & Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Govt. of Odisha, Aranya Bhawan, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-751023 for kind information and necessary action.
- The Head, Land, Legal & External Affairs, M/s Vedanta Limited, Lanjigarh, Kalahandi-766027, Odisha for information and necessary action.

Dy. Inspector General of Forests (C)