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October 29, 2007

To

The Principal Secretary,
 Environment & Forests Department,
 Govt. of Orissa,
 Bhubaneswar.

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Sub:- Diversion of 1.242 ha of forest land for construction of Railway line from Kalinga OCP, Talcher to Angul Railway Station by MCL.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the State Government, Forest and Environment's letter No. 10F(Cons)6/2007.13527/F&E dated 23.8.2007 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of Central Government in accordance with Section 2 of the Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government the Central Government hereby agrees in principle for diversion of 1.242 ha of forest land for construction of Railway line from Kalinga OCP, Talcher to Angul Railway Station by MCL, subject to the fulfillment of the following conditions.

1. The State Govt should charge Net Present Value from the user agency as directed by Hon'ble Supreme Court and as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Environment & Forests vide letter No. 5-1/98-FC(Pt-II) dated 18th September and 22nd September, 2003.
2. Compensatory afforestation shall be raised over 2.48 ha degraded forest land identified for this purpose. The User Agency shall transfer the cost of compensatory afforestation(revised as on the date to incorporate the existing wage structure) to the designated CAMPA fund
3. An undertaking from the user agency shall also be obtained to the effect that in case the rates of NPV are revised upwards, the additional/differential amount shall be paid by the User Agency.
4. The State Government shall deposit Net Present Value and all other funds with the Ad-hoc Body of Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority(CAMPA), in Account No. CA 1585 of Corporation Bank (A Government of India Enterprises), Block-11, Ground Floor, CGO Complex, Phase-1, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110 003, as per the instruction communicated vide letter No. 5-2/2006-FC dated 20.05.2006.

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After receipt of the compliance report on fulfillment of all the conditions, as stipulated above, from the State Government, formal approval will be issued in this regard under Section 2 of Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980. Transfer of forest land to user agency should not be effected by the State Government till formal order approving diversion of forest land is issued by the Central Government.

Yours faithfully,

(A.K. BISWAL)

DY. CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS(CENTRAL)

Copy to:-

1. The Inspector General of Forests(FC), Ministry of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi - 110 003.
2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Department, Govt. of Orissa, Aranya Bhawan, C.S. Pur, Bhubaneswar.
3. The Chief Conservator of Forests(Nodal), O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Department, Govt. of Orissa, Aranya Bhawan, C.S. Pur, Bhubaneswar.
4. The Divisional Forest Officer, Angul Forest Division, Angul.
5. The M/s Mahanadi Coalfields Ltd., Jagruti Vihar, Burla, Sambalpur.
6. Guard file.

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