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No. 8-211/92-FC  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment & Forests

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Dated the 3rd August 1995

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The Secretary  
Department of Forests  
Government of Orissa  
Bhubaneswar.

Subject: **Diversión of 21.59 ha. of forest land for Basundhara East Opencast Project in Sundergarh district of Orissa.**

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. 10F(Cons)62/92/21366/  
F&E dated 3.9.92 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, the Central Government hereby agrees in principle for approval for diversion of **21.59 ha. of forest land for Basundhara East Opencast project for a period of 10 years in Sundergarh district**

subject to the fulfilment of following conditions:-

- i) Immediate action should be taken for transfer and mutation of equivalent non-forest land in favour of the State Forest Department.
- ii) The user agency will transfer the cost of compensatory afforestation (revised as on date to incorporate existing wage structure) in favour of the Forest Department.

3. After receipt of compliance report on the fulfilment of the above conditions from the State Government, formal approval will be issued in this regard under Section-2 of the Forest

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