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Dated the 31st August, 1992

To

The Secretary
Forest Department
Government of Orissa
Bhubaneswar.

Subject: Diversion of 193.743 ha. of forest land for renewal of lease of Talcher Colliery (underground) of SECL in Dhenkanal district.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No.10F(Cons)81/90/15711/FFAH dated 6th July, 1990 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 193.743 ha. of forest land for renewal of lease of Talcher Colliery (underground) of SECL in Dhenkanal district subject to the fulfilment of following conditions:

- (i) The State Government should take immediate action for transfer and mutation of non-forest land in favour of the State Forest Department.
- (ii) The user agency will transfer the cost of compensatory afforestation over equivalent non-forest land and over double the degraded forest area 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 (Conservation) Act, 1980. Transfer of forest land to user agency should not be affected by the State Government till formal order approving diversion of forest land are issued by the Central Government.

Yours faithfully,

(INSUR DHAMIJA)
Asstt. Inspector General of Forests

