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To

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

Stage II  
clearance

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 your letter No. 10F-(Con.)-91/2009-18277/E&F dated 04.11.2009 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Govt. in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980.

After careful consideration of the compliance report of in-principle approval of State Government, approval of the Central Government hereby granted under Section-2 of the Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 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 compliance of the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest land diverted shall remain unchanged.
2. Compensatory afforestation shall be raised and maintained over 2.48 ha degraded forest land identified in Seepur Reserve Forest as proposed at the project cost.
3. Penal Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised and maintained over 32.68 ha (2 x 16.34 ha = 32.68 ha) of degraded forest land elsewhere by Forest Department and as recommended by the State at the cost of the project and a copy of scheme for raising Penal Compensatory Afforestation shall be submitted to Eastern Regional Office. The user agency shall transfer the cost of Penal Compensatory Afforestation (revised as on the date to incorporate the existing wage structure) to the designated CAMPA fund.
4. The State Forest Department/UA shall submit the surveyed sketch and also demarcate the proposed area of 2.48 ha of degraded forest land identified in Seepur Reserve Forest and the proposed area of 32.68 ha of degraded forest land to be identified elsewhere for CA, giving the forward and backward bearing and DGPS reading of each demarcation pillar/station and distance between them. The latitude and longitude of those pillars/stations shall also be marked along with the soft copies of the above.
5. The State Forest Department/ UA shall also submit the surveyed sketch and demarcate the proposed area of 1.242 ha of forest land proposed for transfer for construction of Railway line from Kalinga OCP, Talcher to Angul Railway Station by MCL, giving the forward and backward bearing and DGPS reading of each demarcation pillar/station and distance between them. The latitude and longitude of those pillars/stations shall also be indicated on the map which shall be submitted to this office for records.
6. The user agency shall pay the royalty for 45 number of trees to the State Forest Department before commencement of work on final approval.
7. No earth or any construction material shall be borrowed from not debris resulting during construction shall be disposed off in the adjoining forest area.

8. No additional or new path will be constructed inside the adjoining forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
9. No labour camps shall be established on the adjoining forest land.
10. The demand for fuel for the labourers, if camping outside the forest land in the vicinity of forest shall be met by the user agency at the project cost after purchase fuel from approved source and a distribution register be maintained for regular monitoring of the labour supervisors/forest officers to ensure no damage to the surrounding forest.
11. It will be the responsibility of the user agency to ensure that the labourers and staff engaged in construction activity do not damage nearby forest flora and fauna.
12. Signage, about wildlife protection, shall be erected at suitable intervals, all along the railway line passing through the diverted forest land portion. Also the user agency shall provide necessary assistance to Forest Department for protection of wildlife in the area.
13. The User Agency shall ensure that the trains moving in the forest area shall be moving with particular speed which shall be finalized in consultation with Forest Department.
14. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
15. The approval under the Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under the Environmental Protection Act, 1986 and all other Acts, Rules/Regulation applicable to such project.
16. The rights of the forest dwellers shall be settled as per the provisions of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 and forest land shall be transferred only after settling the rights as per Forest Right Act, 2006.
17. Any other conditions that the Central Government or CCF(Central) of Eastern Regional Office, Bhubaneswar may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, which shall be complied by the user agency.
18. In case of non-compliance of any of the above conditions, the concerned Divisional Forest Officer shall report through the State Govt. to this office as per procedure laid down in the clause 1.9 of guidelines issued under Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980 on 25.10.1992.

The State Government shall ensure compliance of all the above conditions and release the proposed forest land only after implementation of the condition No. 3,4,5 and 16 under intimation to this Regional Office.

Yours faithfully,

(R.K. DEY)

REGIONAL 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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