

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

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Lodi Road
New Delhi-110 003.

Dated the 3rd August 1995

To

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/
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

...2/-

(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 are issued by the Central Government.

Yours faithfully,

(INDER DHAMIJA)

Sr. Asstt. Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Orissa, Bhubaneswar.
2. Nodal Officer, Office of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Orissa, Bhubaneswar.
3. The CCF (Central) Regional Office, Bhubaneswar.
4. The AIG, RO(HQ) New Delhi.
5. Guard file.

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