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ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & FOREST
PCCF (CRZ & FC) / NODAL OFFICER, FCA & MS, A&NCZMA
(Van Sadan, Haddo, Port Blair)

To The Managing Director
ANIDCO, Port Blair.

Sub: Diversion of 121.87 Sq. Km of forest land and 8.88 Sq. Km of deemed forest land for sustainable development in Great Nicobar (Phase-I) as envisaged by NITI Aayog-reg.

Ref: 1. MoEF & CC letter F/No. 8-22/2020-FC dated 18.01.2021
2. MoEF & CC letter F/No. 8-22/2020-FC dated 29.10.2020

Sir,
Kindly find enclosed herewith the letter dated 18/01/2021 received from the MoEF&CC, New Delhi regarding 'Diversion of 121.87 Sq. Km of forest land and 8.88 Sq. Km of deemed forest land for sustainable development in Great Nicobar (Phase-I) as envisaged by NITI Aayog’ with the request to furnish requisite information/documents for onward submission please.

Yours faithfully,

Assistant Conservator of Forest
(Van Sadan, Port Blair)

Copy to:
1. The SPS to the Commissioner-Cum-Secretary (E&F) for kind information of Commissioner-Cum-Secretary (E&F).
2. The SPS to PCCF(WL/Chief Wildlife Warden), A & N Islands, Vanya Prani Bhawan, Chatham for kind information of CWLW and for comments please.
To,
The Commissioner cum Secretary (Forests),
Department of Forests & Environment,
Andaman & Nicobar Administration,
Port Blair.

Sub: Proposal seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section -2 (ii) of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 121.87 Sq. Km of forest land and 8.88 Sq. Km of deemed forest land for sustainable development in Great Nicobar (Phase-I) as envisaged by NITI Aayog- regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry’s letter dt 10.12.2020 wherein the UT Administration was requested to submit the requisite information, appropriately and adequately addressing the concerns raised in the observation of the MoEF&CC raised vide its letter dt 29.10.2020.

In this regard it is informed that a response to this Ministry’s letter dt 29.10.2020 has been received from ANIIDCO which is the User Agency. Since it is the UT Administration, which has to furnish response to this Ministry’s letter, the letter dt 06.01.2021 (copy enclosed) received from the User Agency is forwarded as it is, to the UT Administration.

Further it is requested that the information sought vide this Ministry’s letter dt 29.10.2020 on essential details such as comments of Chief Wildlife Warden, Site specific nature of the proposal, Layout plan etc besides others, may be furnished to this Ministry at the earliest so that the Ministry can take further action as appropriate on the above mentioned proposal.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosed: As Above

Sd/-
(Sandeep Sharma)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-
1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair.
2. The Nodal Officer, (FCA) Forest Department, Andaman & Nicobar Administration, Port Blair