

Copy of letter No.2-2/85 Fry(Cons) dt.2-4-86 from J.B. Lal, Deputy Inspector General of Forests, Government of India (Department of Environment Forest & Wild Life). Krishi Bhavan, New Delhi addressed to Forest Secretaries, All States (U.T.S. Except J & K).

Sub:- Submission of proposals under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 – Information relating to steps proposed to taken to compensate for the loss of forest area & vegetation etc. – Guidelines regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to request you to kindly refer this Department's letter even No. dated 21-11-85 on the above subject, under which guidelines have such issues for submission of a comprehensive schemes of compensatory plantation over equivalent non-forest areas, for all pending as well as fresh proposals of diversion of forest lands, under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

I am further directed is inform you that subsequently it has been decided that Non-forest areas identified for the purpose should be actually transferred to planting agency (which is almost invariably the State (Ut. Forest Deptt.) so that the planting agency can continue to safeguard plantations so raised, over a length of time.

Besides, I am also directed to inform you that compensatory plantation over equivalent non-forest area is not felt necessary in the following cases.

- a) In case of diversion of forest land for laying of power transmission lines.
- b) In cases of renewal of mining leased which were either under operation in the forest land prior to consistent of Forest (Conservation) Act 1230 or were received after the consistent with the prior approval of Central Government but were not having compensatory plantations on a condition.
- c) In cases of diversion of forest land in small areas of less than i ha.in extent, unless specifically asked for, by the Department.

It is requested that suitable instructions may kindly be issued to all concerned accordingly, for serial appliance. This is issued in continuation of letter of even number dated 21-11-85.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(J.B. Lal)

Deputy Inspector General of Forests.

Copy to Chief Conservator of Forests.

Endt. No.L5-13341/86 K Dis dt.21-4-86.

Chief conservator's Officer, Trivandrum.

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Endt. on D-363/82 dt.6-5-86.

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For Conservator of Forests, Trichur.

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