Office Memorandum

Sub: Recommendations of the Forest Advisory Committee in its meeting dated 20th - 21st February 2013.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the recommendation made by the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 20th-21st February 2013 regarding keeping the Ministries/Departments/Organisations informed about the actions being taken by the Ministry of Environment & Forests in respect of proposals seeking diversion of forest lands for non-forestry uses.

FAC recommended that the Ministry should ask the concerned Ministry/Department/Organisation in the Government of India to identify one Nodal Officer which can be apprised of action being taken by the Ministry of Environment & Forest on the proposals related their organization so that concerned Ministry can pursue their field agencies responsible for execution of the projects. Copy of letters being issued by MoEF to the State Governments/user agencies should also be marked to these Nodal Officers.

In accordance with the above recommendation, it is requested to identify one Nodal Officer in each Ministry/Department/Organisation in the Government of India as recommended above and communicate the same to this Ministry.

Yours faithfully,

(Shiv Pal Singh)
Sr. Assistant Inspector General of Forests

To

1. The Secretary, Ministries of Power/Coal/Mines/Defence/Railways/Road Transport & Highways/Steel/DoNER.
2. The Secretary, Border Road Development Board.
3. The Chairman, Coal India Ltd./Power Grid Corporation of India/NTPC/SAIL/NHAI.

Copy to:

1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, All States/Union Territories
2. Nodal Officer, All States/Union Territories.
3. All AIGFs/Director/Technical Officer, Forest Conservation Division.
4. Director(ROHQ)
5. Sr. PPS to DGF&SS/PPS to ADGF(FC)/PS to IGF(FC)
6. Monitoring Cell with a request to upload on the website

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