To

The Secretary (Forest),
Govt. of Madhya Pradesh,
Bhopal.

The Secretary (Forest),
Govt. of Uttar Pradesh,
Lucknow.

Sub: Diversion of 1711.307 ha. of forest land (626.07 ha. in Lalitpur district of Uttar Pradesh & 1085.237 ha. in Guna district of Madhya Pradesh) for construction of Rajghat Dam.

I am directed to refer to Madhya Pradesh State Government's letter NO.F/05/12/88/10-3 dated 20.7.88 from Secretary (Forest) and Uttar Pradesh State Government's letter NO. 4510/14-3-823/87 dated 15.9.87 from Secretary (Forest) on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Govt. in accordance with Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal has been examined by the Advisory Committee constituted by the Central Govt. under Section 3 of the aforesaid Act.

2. After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Govt. and on the basis of the recommendation of the above-mentioned Advisory Committee the Central Govt. hereby conveys its approval under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 1711.307 ha. of forest land (626.07 ha. in Lalitpur district of U.P. & 1085.237 ha. in Guna district of M.P.) for construction of Rajghat Dam subject to the following conditions.

The legal status of the land will remain unchanged.
Compensatory afforestation will be raised on equivalent non-forest area identified at the cost of the project. The non-forest area identified for this purpose should be handed over to the Forest Department and notified as protected forests before the release of Forest land being diverted by this order.

3. Compensatory afforestation shall be carried out during 1991 rains itself.

4. Detail catchment area treatment plan shall be prepared and submitted to Central Govt. for approval by 31.12.90.

5. No forest land shall be used/asked for rehabilitation for displaced persons.

6. In order that the construction labour and staff while working on the project in the forest area may not cause destruction to the forest area for meeting their fuelwood needs, the concerned agency will establish fuelwood
6. Depots and will provide fuelwood to them free of cost.

7. Tree felling will be done in phased manner & shall be restricted up to 4 metre below FRL.

8. The conditions laid down by the Govt. of India while giving environmental clearance will be strictly followed.

9. Monitoring will be carried by Betwa River Board in which forest officials of respective State Governments and a representative of Central Govt. shall be the members to oversee the implementation of the various conditions laid in the order.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

(Chavan Singh)

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