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Government of India  
Ministry of Environment and Forests  
(FC Division)

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Dated: 11.09.2009

To  
The Principal Secretary (Forests),  
(All States / UTs).


**Sub: Guidelines for diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - General Approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, thereof.**

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's letter, of even number dated 03.01.2005 and 24.09.2007 by which general approval for certain activities to be carried out by the Government Departments involving not more than 1.00 ha of forest land, under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, was granted initially for a period of two years has been further extended for further period of five years i.e. up to 31.12.2013 on the same terms and conditions as enumerated in the above cited letters.

It may also be noted that this General Approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is for the above mentioned activities in those forest areas, which are outside the purview of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.


Yours faithfully

  
(C.D. Singh)

Sr. Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The Director, PMO, New Delhi for kind information.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.
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5. The Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi.
6. All PCCFs / Nodal Officers (All States/UTs).
7. All Regional Offices, Ministry of Environment & Forests.
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