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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR  
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Dated the 06th August, 2010

Dear Shri Bhuria ji,

As you are aware, the Constitution of India enjoins upon this Commission to monitor all matters relating to the safeguards provided for the Scheduled Tribes, and to participate and advise on the planning process of socio-economic development of the Scheduled Tribes. Clause (9) of Article 338A of the Constitution also provides that "The Union and every State Government shall consult the Commission on all major policy matters affecting Scheduled Tribes. Clause 5(d) further provides that the Commission shall present to the President, annually and at such other times as the Commission may deem fit, reports upon the working of those safeguards.

2. While reviewing the status of implementation of resettlement and rehabilitation of tribals displaced by the development projects, the Commission has noted that the Scheduled Tribe and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Rights) Act, 2006, has no explicit provision regarding resettlement and rehabilitation of tribals whose forest rights are extinguished on account of diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes. The Commission, therefore, recommends that a standard rehabilitation procedure should be incorporated for diversion of forest land for development purposes; and the provisions of the National Rehabilitation and Resettlement Policy should be made applicable to tribals displaced due to diversion of forest land for non-forest purposes in the event of the extinguishment of existing rights of the tribals in the forest area under the STs and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act. 2006.

3. I would, therefore, request you to kindly consider introduction of necessary measures regarding resettlement and rehabilitation of tribals displaced due to diversion of forest land for non-forest purpose as proposed above and also apprise the Commission of the action taken in this regard.

With regards,

Yours Sincerely,

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