

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FOREST, ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Bhubaneswar, dated the **10 JUL 2026**

No.FE-DIV-FLD-0008-2025-{10F-(Cons)-05/2025}-**16155**/FE&CC, In exercise of the powers conferred under Section-33 of the Odisha Forest Act, 1972 (Odisha Act 14 of 1972), the State Government do hereby declare that the following land situated in Village-**Benidihi** under Banspal Tahasil of Keonjhar District mutated and transferred in favour of Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department for raising Compensatory Afforestation thereon against the approved diversion of 844.636 ha of forest land for construction of Steel Plant in Duburi area by M/s Nilachal Ispat Nigam Ltd in Jajpur District vide final approval of Government of India, MoEF, New Delhi communicated in letter No.8-101/94-FC dtd.22.11.1996 under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, the limits of which are specified below and the area of which is 245.61 Ha shall be Protected Forest with effect from the date of issue of the Notification and shall be known as "**Benidihi Protected Forest**".

Forest Block:

Name of the Protected Forest	:	Benidihi
		Patch-I Patch-II Total
Area in Ha	:	115.05 130.56 245.61 ha
Name of the Village	:	Benidihi
Name of the Police Station	:	Kanjipani
Name of the Tahasil	:	Banspal
Name of the Sub-Division	:	Keonjhar
Name of the District	:	Keonjhar

Land Schedule:

Village	Khata No.	Plot No.	Kissam	Area in Ha.	Boundary description				Patch
					North	South	East	West	
Benidihi	80/1	1	Parbat-I	14.72	Kuanra & Irida Village	Plot No. 2	Irida Village	Benidihi Sheet-6	Patch-I Benidihi Sheet-3
		2		20.00	Plot No. 1	Plot No. 3 & 4	Benidihi Sheet-6	Irida Village	
		3		16.53	Plot No. 2	Plot No. 6 & 7	Plot No. 4	Irida Village	
		4		16.00	Plot No. 2	Plot No. 5	Benidihi Sheet-6	Plot No. 3	
		5		20.00	Plot No. 4	Benidihi Sheet-4	Benidihi Sheet-6	Plot No. 6	
		6		15.00	Plot No. 3	Benidihi Sheet-4	Plot No. 5	Plot No. 7	
		7		12.80	Plot No. 3	Benidihi Sheet-4	Plot No. 6	Irida Village	
Sub Total 7 Plots in Patch-I				115.05 ha					
Benidihi	80/1	335	Parbat-I	15.00	Plot No. 336	Benidihi Sheet-7	Plot No. 341	Benidihi Sheeet-3	Patch-II Sheet-6
		336		20.00	Plot No. 337	Plot No. 335	Plot No. 340	Benidihi Sheeet-3	
		337		15.00	Plot No. 338	Plot No. 336	Plot No. 339	Benidihi Sheeet-3	
		338		19.68	Kuanra Village	Plot No. 337	Plot No. 339	Benidihi Sheeet-3	

		339		21.60	Kuanra Village	Plot No. 340	Kuanra & Tangarpada Village	Plot No. 338 & 337	
		340		19.76	Plot No. 339	Plot No. 341	Tangarpada Village	Plot No. 336	
		341		19.52	Plot No. 340	Benidihi Sheet-7	Tangarpada Village	Plot No. 335	
Sub Total 7 Plots in Patch-II				130.56 ha					
G. Total 14 Plots in Two Patches				245.61 Ha					

By Order of the Governor

(Bhaskar Jyoti Sarma)

Principal Secretary to Government

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2. The Notification is statutory and may be assigned SRO number.

Special Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to the Assistant Inspector General of Forests, Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, (F.C. Division), Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi-110003/ Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Govt. of India, MoEF&CC, Regional Office, A/3, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar-23 for information and necessary action.

Special Secretary to Government

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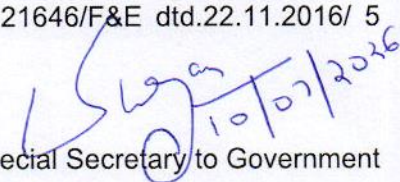
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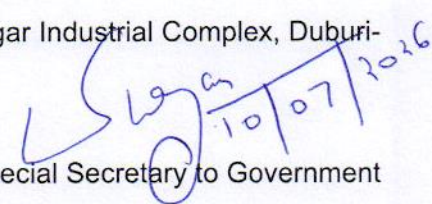
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