

F.No. 11-9/98-FC
Government of India
Ministry of Environment and Forests
F.C. Division

Paryavaran Bhawan,
CGO Complex
Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003
Dated :- 20/24th.11.2003

To,

The Secretary (Forests),
(All States/ UTs)

Sub: - Mining leases in National Parks/ Sanctuaries etc.

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's letter of even number dated- 4.05.2001 regarding the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court date- 14.02.2000 in Writ Petition (C) No. 202 of 1995 and dated 13-11-2000 in Writ Petition (C) No. 337 of 1995 in respect of National Parks/Sanctuaries, I am directed to request you for strict compliance of the orders of the Supreme Court. Further , in all those cases also, where forestry clearances have been granted for diversion of forest land for mining leases before the orders. of the Supreme Court of before the notification for setting up of National Parks/ Sanctuary in your State/UT, it is requested to ensure the suspension of all the mining activities till further orders.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-
24.11.2003
(ANURAG BAJPAI)
Asstt. Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. All PCCF/ Nodal Officers/Chief Wildlife Wardens (All States/UTs)
2. All Regional Offices
3. IGF (FC, (Director (FC), AIGs (FC).

Sd/-
24.11.2003
(ANURAG BAJPAI)

Asstt. Inspector General of Forests