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FOREST & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 23rd December 2015

**S.R.O. No. 18/2016**—In view of observations/guidelines of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change made vide their communication F. No. 11-306/2014-FC, dated the 8th August 2014 and with a view to avoid delay in identification of suitable non-forest or revenue forest land for raising compensatory afforestation in lieu of forest land proposed for diversion for non-forest purposes under Forest Conservation Act, 1980, State Government have been pleased to constitute a Committee, as per following composition for identification of compact/sizeable and suitable blocks of non-forest land & revenue forest land under Government records, free from encumbrance/encroachment in Gajapati District, which shall be part of the Land Bank. Suitable non-forest land/revenue forest land shall be allocated in favour of the user agencies by the District Collector from the Land Bank for the purpose of raising compensatory afforestation at the time of filing/processing of the forest diversion proposal by the user agency :—

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| (1) The Collector, Gajapati                              | .. | Chairperson      |
| (2) Divisional Head of IDCO working in Gajapati District | .. | Member           |
| (3) Divisional Forest Officer, Paralakhemundi Division   | .. | Member-Secretary |

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By order of the Governor

D. BISWAL

Special Secretary to Government