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Dated 4th June, 2019

To

Sh. Deepak Khandekar Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, 218, 2nd Floor, D-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

Sub: Compliance of Hon'ble Supreme court order dated 13-02-2019 and 28-02-2019 in Writ Petitions(s) (civil) No(s). 109/2008 Wildlife First & Others. Versus Ministry of Forest and Environment & others.

Ref: Mr. Jaideep Singh Kochher, Economic Advisor, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India. DO. No. 23011/4/2008/SG-1/FRA (Vol- III) (pt.) dated 02-05-2019

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Please refer to the letter mentioned above which has been received in response to our DO letter dated 24-04-19 addressed to you. The letter under reference in its Para-2 mentions that a letter of even no. dated 25-04-2019 is enclosed with the same. However, the letter enclosed is dated 02-05-2019 addressed to the Principal Secretary/Secretary of Tribal development departments of various States. It is requested that a copy of the letter dated 25-04-2019 referred to in the above mentioned communication may kindly be forwarded to this office.

Further, in view of the fact that this office has to submit an affidavit in this regard before 12th July, 2019, it is requested that the letters issued by your Ministry on the subject of use of georeferencing for assessment of potential areas and re-examination of rejected claims under FRA 2006 may please be perused. Your DO No. 23011/18/2015-FRA dated 28-04-2015 addressed to the Chief Secretary of all States and Union Territories in its Para-3 had asked the State Governments to create georeferenced data base of vesting of rights and also create maps (Annexure-1). Further, your Ministry's letter No. 23011/18/2015-FRA dated 27-07-2015 (Annexure-II) addressed to the Chief Secretaries of all State Government provided extremely detailed guidelines for use of GIS by appropriately overlaying the GPS data on satellite imageries of Highest resolution (preferably with 1 mtr or high resolution). Considering this background, it is hoped that the States must be having the requisite data with them as required by this office along with high resolution satellite imageries (preferably with 1 mtr or high resolution).