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*Dear Sir,*

*To*

This is to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter dated 31.12.2015 addressed to Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change, containing policy suggestions on wildlife and forest conservation.

2. The suggestions provided in your letter are invaluable in context of forest and wild life conservation. We have taken note of these advices including on use of CAMPA Fund to de-fragment the remaining large blocks of natural old growth forest, need to shift from compensatory afforestation to landscape / eco-system regime, use of the best technology to mitigate the impact of fragmentation on wildlife where no alternatives are available, strengthening of monitoring mechanism of forest clearance process, public consultation in the grant of forest clearance, and use of solar fencing for fencing up areas which are degraded but the soil contains sufficient root stocks.

3. In this context, it is to inform you that a review of National Forest Policy and also National Wildlife Action Plan 2002-2016 is in progress now. Your suggestions are being made available in the process.

This is for kind information.

*Regards,*

*(Signature)*

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