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Memo No. 9668 /9F(MG)- 68/2021
Dated, Bhubaneswar, the 18th May, 2023

To

The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests
Rourkela Circle

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 24.203 ha Forest Land {diversion-21.00 ha + re-diversion- 3.203 ha (1.551 ha of Rungta Mines Ltd. + 1.652 ha of NH-215)} within the allotted block of Rengalbeda (NE) Iron Ore Mines of M/s Odisha Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd. (OMECL) within the total mining lease area of 24.203 ha as per LoI for Iron Ore Mine of M/s Odisha Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd.

Ref: (i) Your office Memo No.1436 dated 02.05.2023
(ii) This office Memo No.802 dated 13.01.2023

The UA was requested to submit the proposal excluding 1.652 ha of forest land already diverted in favour of NHAI coming within the allotted mining lease of 24.203 ha of forest land in Rengalbeda (NE) Iron Ore Mines of M/s OMC Ltd. Because, NHAI authority has refused to give No Objection Certificate for 1.652 ha forest land already diverted in their favour.

Instead of submitting proposal for 22.551 ha of forest land excluding 1.652 ha of forest land already diverted, the User Agency has again applied for 24.203 ha of forest land including 1.652 ha forest land already diverted to NHAI without getting the NOC. But it is not feasible as per the Clause-5.6 (b) of Hand Book of Guidelines circulated by the Ministry of Forest, Environment and Climate Change, Government of India during 2019. Accordingly, the User Agency is advised to submit proposal deducting already diverted area of 1.652 ha forest land from their ML area as Highway and Mining cannot be treated as compatible use in any case.

In view of the above, you are requested to direct the User Agency to take immediate needful action at his end and submit the revised proposal on the basis of approved Mining Plan at an earliest for taking necessary action at this end.

[Signature]
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 9669 /Dt. 18.05.2023

Copy forwarded to the Divisional Forest Officer, Keonjhar Forest Division for information & necessary action with reference to Memo No.1437 dated 02.05.2023 of RCCF, Rourkela Circle to his address.


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act

Memo No. 9670 /Dt. 18.05.2023

Copy forwarded to the Director (Geology), Authorized Signatory, Odisha Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd. (A State PSU), OMC House, Bhubaneswar-751001, Odisha for information & necessary action with reference to the detailed deliberation in the Conference Hall of Nodal Wing, O/o-PCCF & HoFF, Odisha dated 17.05.2023.


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act