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To

**The Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Karnataka,**  
Forest, Ecology & Environment Department,  
M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi,  
Bangalore – 560 001.

**Subject: Diversion of 3.028 ha. of forest land in Tumbaraguddi RF.Sy No 1A/1 of Jiganahalli village, Choranuru Hobli, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for approach road (Connecting from main road to mining area ML No. 2482 passing through forest and Revenue land) in favour of M/s. Marwa Mining Company, Kudligi. (Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/153210/2022)**

Sir,

Please refer to the State Government's letters No. FEE 06 FFM 2023 (e) dated 16/03/2023 and 20/05/2024 seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in respect of the above project. The in-principle (Stage-I) approval to the project was accorded by the Central Government on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2024. The State Government vide letters No. FEE 06 FFM 2023 (e) dated 17/04/2025 and 27/05/2025 have reported compliance to the conditions stipulated by the Central Government in the in-principle approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's final approval (**Stage-II**) under Section '2(1)' of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for diversion of 3.028 ha. of forest land in Tumbaraguddi RF.Sy No 1A/1 of Jiganahalli village, Choranuru Hobli, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for approach road (Connecting from main road to mining area ML No. 2482 passing through forest and Revenue land) in favour of M/s. Marwa Mining Company, Kudligi, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.

2. The boundary of the diverted forest land shall be suitably demarcated on ground at the project cost as per the directions of concerned Divisional Forest Officer.
3. Compensatory Afforestation shall be raised over non forest land identified i.e. 3.028 ha. in Sy. No. 1/1 of Tumti Village Sandur Taluk, Ballari District, and in the DFL identified i.e. 3.6336 ha in Sy No. 9(part), 13B(part) & 18(part) of Tonasigeri, Tonasigere Reserve Forest in Sandur Taluk, Ballari District as per the CA Scheme submitted within two years from the date of Stage –II Clearance and maintained thereafter by the State Forest Department.
4. The State Government shall ensure that the approved Wildlife Mitigation plan and the Soil & moisture conservation plan submitted shall be implemented at the cost of User Agency.
5. Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the user agency.
6. The KML files of the forest area diverted and CA area (Both NFL & DFL) shall be uploaded in the e-green watch portal with all requisite details.
7. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favour of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
8. The State Government shall ensure that the User Agency shall restrict the felling of trees to minimum number in the area proposed for diversion and the trees shall be felled under the strict supervision of the State Forest Department and the cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department.
9. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
10. No additional or new paths will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
11. Sufficient firewood, preferably the alternate fuel, shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourer after purchasing the same from the State Forest Department or the Forest Development Corporation or any other legal source of alternate fuel.
12. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the project proposal.
13. The total forest area utilised for the project shall not exceed 3.028 ha.
14. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
15. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
16. The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
17. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, will monitor and take necessary mitigative measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area.
18. The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Regional Office, Bengaluru by the end of March every year.

19. Any other condition that the Central Government may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
20. The State Government and user agency shall comply the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, NGT order & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
21. The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with.
22. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

Yours faithfully,

**(Praneetha Paul)**

Deputy Inspector General of Forests (Central)

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Executive Officer, National Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority, 4th Floor, Block No.3, CGO Complex, New Delhi – 110 003.
2. The Inspector General of Forests (ROHQ Division), Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Agni Wing, Aliganj, Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi – 110 003.
3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18<sup>th</sup> Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (CAMP), O/o PCCF(CAMP), 1st Floor, Aranya Bhavan, 18th cross, Malleshwaram, Bengaluru-560003.
5. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (FCA) /Nodal Officer (VSESA), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forests Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, 18<sup>th</sup> Cross, Malleswaram, Bengaluru – 560 003.
6. M/s. Marwa Mining Company, Door No. 687, 13<sup>th</sup> Ward, Umer Manzil, Kudligi, Vijayanagara District -583 135.
7. Guard file.