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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.1252/Section-II/2017

Dated:30 -06-2017

From  
The Principal Secretary to Government ,  
EFS & T Department,  
Andhra Pradesh Secretariat,  
Velagapudi, Amaravathi, -522503

To  
The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central)  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change.  
Regional Office, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Floors,  
Handloom Export promotion Council Building  
34, Cathedral Garden Road,  
Nungambakkam, Chennai – 600034 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub:- Renewal of mining lease over an extent of 5.43 Ha. (i.e. 3.02 Ha. for mining +0.85 Ha. of for dumping + 0.83 Ha. for safety zone + 0.73 Ha. for road) in Compt.No.213 of Paradarami R.F. of Chittoor (West) Division for Black Granite quarry lease, in favour of M/s.Vaishnav Granites, Chittoor – Request to furnish further information - Reg.

Ref:- From PCCF & HoFF, A.P, Lr Rc.No.1355/2016/FCA-2, Dt.15-03-2017.

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I enclose herewith a copy of the letter cited along with statutory proforma proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, submitted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, for renewal of mining lease over an extent of 5.43 Ha. (i.e. 3.02 Ha. for mining +0.85 Ha. of for dumping + 0.83 Ha. for safety zone + 0.73 Ha. for road) in Compt.No.213 of Paradarami R.F. of Chittoor (West) Division for Black Granite quarry lease, in favour of M/s.Vaishnav Granites, Chittoor.

2. I wish to inform that the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change vide Lr.No.4-APB045/2004-BAN/73, Dated.10-4-2007 have accorded final (Stage-II) approval for diversion of 4.90 Ha. of forest land in Compt.No.213 of Paradarami R.F. of Chittoor (West) Division for extraction of Black Granite in favour of M/s.Vaishnav Granites, Chittoor for extraction of Black Granite over a period of (10) years. Accordingly, the State Government vide G.O.Ms.No.51, EFS&T (For.I) Department Dated.10-5-2007 have issued orders for diversion of above said forest land.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh has reported that as per the guidelines of Government of India on inclusion of safety zone an area of 0.83 ha is proposed for safety zone area. After verification and authentication of the DGPS survey map, an area of 5.43 Ha. of forest land is required for renewal of mining lease including safety zone area. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has certified that no violation has been carried out in the said area and the user agency has submitted all undertakings as required under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The user agency has given an undertaking to bear the cost of reclamation in addition to the cost of fencing, protection and regeneration in the safety zone area and also for raising enrichment plantation in degraded forest land in lieu of the safety zone area as fixed by the State Forest Department. In the mining area of 3.87 Ha., 0.78 Ha. is broken and 6843 Cum. of mineral extracted upto December, 2016. In the unbroken area, mineral is available and the user agency has applied for further renewal. The District Collector, Chittoor has issued necessary certificates under Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers

(Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, as stipulated by the MoEF & C.C, GoI, New Delhi vide Lr.No.11-9/1998-FC (pt), Dt.05.07.2013, in the prescribed format Annexure-I (Form-I) for evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights. The proposal has been uploaded on the Ministry's web site and unique file No. FP/AP/MIN/21611/2016 has been generated. The concerned filed officers and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, have recommended the proforma proposal in Part-II, III and IV respectively.

4. I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for renewal of mining lease over an extent of 5.43 Ha. (i.e. 3.02 Ha. for mining + 0.85 Ha. of for dumping + 0.83 Ha. for safety zone + 0.73 Ha. for road) in Compt.No.213 of Paradarami R.F. of Chittoor (West) Division for Black Granite quarry lease, in favour of M/s.Vaishnav Granites, Chittoor, at an early date.

Yours faithfully,

  
for Principal Secretary to Government  


**Copy to:**

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,  
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

M/s.Vaishnav Granites, Chittoor.

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**PART-V**

(To be filled in by the Secretary in charge of Forest Department or by any other authorized officer of the State Government not below the rank of an Under Secretary)

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18. Recommendation of the State Government:

(Adverse comments made by any officer or authority in Part-B or Part-C or Part-D above should be specifically commented upon)

**“Recommended to consider the proposal”**

  
Signature

Name & Designation

(Official Seal)

Date: 30-06-2017

Place: Amaravati

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Environment, Forests, Science &  
Technology Department  
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Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh