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)

Recommendation of the State Government:-18.

Date: 03-11-2021

Place: AMARAVATI

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

(Letter No.1216/Section.II/2021, Dated. 03.11.2021 for diversion of 9.88 ha. of forest land falling in Compartment Nos.223 & 227 of Chittapara and Basivipalli RFs respectively, Chittoor West Range, Chittoor West Division & Chittoor District in favour of M/s. Sri Vasista Mining (Mg. Partner -Sri B. Nithin Kumar Reddy) for grant of quarry lease for Black Granite)

"Recommended to consider the proposal for diversion of 9.88 ha. of forest land falling in Compartment Nos.223 & 227 of Chittapara and Basivipalli RFs respectively, Chittoor West Range, Chittoor West Division & Chittoor District in favour of M/s. Sri Vasista Mining (Mg. Partner - Sri B.Nithin Kumar Reddy) for grant of quarry lease for Black Granite."

Signature Signature

Name & Designation

(Official Seal)

Dr. P.V. CHALAPATHI RAÓ, I.F.S.,

Special Secretary to Government Environment Forests, Science and Technology Department

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (Sec.II) DEPARTMENT

Letter No.1216/Section. II/2021/(1453076)

Dated:03.11.2021

From
The Secretary to Government
EFS&T Department,
A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi,
Amaravati-522503.

To
The Inspector General of Forests (Central)
Government of India,
Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change
Integrated Regional Office, Vijayawada,
Green House Complex, Gopal Reddy Road,
Vijayawada-520010 (w.e)

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 9.88 ha. of forest land falling in Compartment Nos.223 & 227 of Chittapara and Basivipalli RFs respectively, Chittoor West Range, Chittoor West Division & Chittoor District in favour of M/s. Sri Vasista Mining (Mg. Partner – Sri B.Nithin Kumar Reddy) for grant of quarry lease for Black Granite - Proposal submitted under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 - Reg.

Ref: From the PCCF & HoFF, A.P., Lr.Ref.No.EFS02-15029/22/2020-FCA SEC-PCCF/FCA-2 (ii), Dated:02.07.2021.

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 diversion of 9.88 ha. of forest land falling in Compartment Nos.223 & 227 of Chittapara and Basivipalli RFs respectively, Chittoor West Range, Chittoor West Division & Chittoor District in favour of M/s. Sri Vasista Mining (Mg. Partner – Sri B.Nithin Kumar Reddy) for grant of quarry lease for Black Granite.

I am to inform that the User Agency i.e. M/s. Sri Vasista Mining (Mg. Partner -Sri B.Nithin Kumar Reddy), has furnished justification stating that geologically the applied area belongs to peninsular gneissic complex essentially a low grade metamorphic terrain formed during Archean times and are intruded by late Archean to early proterogenic mafic dyke swarms. The applied area consists of dolerite dyke striking NW-SE in direction. The width of the dyke is about 120 to 150 m. and length is 475 m. The applied area is covered with small boulders ranging from 1.5 to 4 m. underneath by sheet rock. Mineralogically the dolerite consists of plagioclase feldspar and augite as essential mineral and oivine, chlorite and quartz as accessory mineral. Petrology of the area constitutes and exhibits wide variation in their external forms, structural patterns with preferential emplacement broadly along East-West Direction. At some places the dyke is swelling and pinching. The unaltered part of plagioclase is cloudy due to minute inclusions of magnetite which is a common feature of dolerite dyke intrusive into granulite terrain. The rock available in that area is hard, compact in structure and black in colour. The above factors are commercially viable and may attract export value. Structurally the rock units are joined and influence in recovery of dimensional stone. The User Agency has furnished undertakings for payment of NPV, Addl.NPV, cost of raising and maintenance of compensatory afforestation in the identified CA land, cost of tree extraction charges etc. The District Collector, Chittoor District has issued necessary certificates under Scheduled Tribes & Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006. The concerned Divisional Forest Officer, the Conservator of Forests and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, have recommended the proforma proposal in Part-II, III and IV respectively. The recommendation of the State Government in proforma proposal in Part-V is enclosed herewith.

3. I request you to obtain and communicate the approval of Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 9.88 ha. of forest land falling in Compartment Nos.223 & 227 of Chittapara and Basivipalli RFs respectively, Chittoor West Range, Chittoor West Division & Chittoor District in favour of M/s. Sri Vasista Mining (Mg. Partner – Sri B.Nithin Kumar Reddy) for grant of quarry lease for Black Granite, at an early date.

Yours faithfully, for Secretary to Government

Copy to:

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

M/s. Sri Vasista Mining, Managing Partner- Sri B.S.Nithin Kumar Reddy, Sri Vasista Apurva, #8-2-350/3/2, 501, Road No.3, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad.

