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From:

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To

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Sub: Proposal for diversion of 434.935 ha. of forest land (428.075 ha. of forest land within Kodingamali Bauxite Mining Lease area including 18.098 ha. of forest land in safety zone and 6.80 ha. of forest land outside the ML area for construction of approach road to the mining lease) for mining of Bauxite in Kodingamali Bauxite Mines located in Koraput & Rayagada districts of Odisha by Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd. (Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/9441/2015).

Ref: (i) Letter No. F.No.8-46/2016-FC,GOI, MoEF and Climate Change (FC Division, New Delhi) dated 17.04.2017

(ii) Letter No. 10F (Con) 1/2017-8156/F&E dated 22.04.2017 of Govt. of Odisha, F&E, Department.

Sir.

In inviting reference to the above cited correspondences on the subject, this is to inform you that Government of India, MoEF & CC have accorded Stage-I approval vide their letter cited under reference no. (i) for diversion of 434.935 ha. of forest land (428.075 ha of forest land within Kodingamali Bauxite Lease area including 18.098 ha. of forest land in safety zone and 6.80 ha of forest land outside the ML area for construction of approach road to the mining lease) in Koraput and Rayagada district, Odisha by M/s OMC Ltd., subject to fulfillment of thirty two (32) conditions stipulated therein. The user agency has complied with all the conditions imposed by GoI, MoEF & CC and additional twelve (12) conditions imposed by State Government vide letter under reference No.(ii). The point wise compliance received from the RCCF, Koraput Circle vide his office Memo No. 3199 dated 20.08.2017 are furnished below:

Condition No.i: Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No.1 of **Annexure-A** enclosed herewith.

<u>Condition No.ii</u>: Compensatory afforestation over the non-forest land equal in extent to the forest land being diverted shall be raised within three years from the date of issue of Stage-II Clearance and maintained thereafter as per approved plan by the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, a total area to an extent of 416.837 ha of non-forest Govt. land identified in villages-Mushupal (22.910 ha) & Chuchukona (251.121 ha) under Rayagada Forest Division, in village-Pipalpadar (96.419ha) under Koraput Forest Division and in village-Kandulguda (46.387 ha) under Kalahandi (S) Forest Division of Odisha has been allocated for Compensatory Afforestation. In addition, 13.806 ha of degraded forest land in Hatimali DPF under Laxmipur Range of Koraput Division has been identified to compensate the shortfall of 22090 nos. of plants due to presence of Moderately Dense Forest (MDF) cover in the Compensatory Afforestation land identified in Village Kandulguda and Chuchukona to an extent of 20.357 ha & 1.733 ha respectively.

The user agency has deposited the total amount of Rs.6, 95, 76,200/- (Rupees six crore ninety five lakh seventy six thousand two hundred only) demanded towards the cost of raising Compensatory Afforestation over 430.643 ha of identified Compensatory Afforestation land & maintaining the same thereafter for 10 years, as per the approved schemes, with the Ad-hoc Body of CAMPA through e-portal vide RTGS bearing UTR No. ANDBR52017060700096215 on 02.06.2017. Copies of the demand letters of DFOs and the e-challan generated on 02.06.2017 are enclosed as **Annexure-III Series.**

<u>Condition No.iii</u>: The land identified for the purpose of CA shall be clearly depicted on a survey of India topo sheet of 1:50,000 scale.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished the Survey of India topo sheet maps bearing no. E 44 F4, E 44 F2, E 44 F6 and E 44 K13 in 1:50,000 scale clearly depicting CA land identified in villages Mushupal (22.910 ha) & Chuchukona (251.121 ha) under Rayagada Forest Division, in village Pipalpadar (96.419ha) under Koraput Forest Division, in village Kandulguda (46.387 ha) under Kalahandi (S) Forest Division and 13.806 ha of degraded forest land in Hatimali DPF under Laxmipur Range of Koraput Division which are annexed to the corresponding CA schemes enclosed at **Annexure-I series**.

<u>Condition No.iv</u>: The non-forest land identified for raising compensatory afforestation shall be transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before issue of the Stage-II clearance.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, 416.837 ha. of Govt. non-forest land identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation in villages Mushupal (22.910 ha) & Chuchukona (251.121 ha) under Rayagada Forest Division, in village Pipalpadar (96.419 ha) under Koraput Forest Division, in village Kandulguda (46.387 ha) under Kalahandi (S) Forest Division has already been transferred and mutated

in favour of State Forest Department. Copies of the RoRs of the said mutated non-forest land are enclosed as **Annexure-II series**.

<u>Condition No.v:</u> The non-forest land identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as RF under Section-4 of PF, under Section-20 of the Indian forest Act, 1929 or under the relevant Section (s) of the local Forest Act, as the case may be within a period of six months. The Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation) shall report compliance in this regard.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, it is stated that the State Government shall notify the non-forest Govt. land as Protected Forests (PF) under Section 33 of Odisha Forest Act within a period of six months.

<u>Condition No.vi</u>: The User Agency shall transfer the cost of raising and maintaining the compensatory afforestation at the current wage rate in consultation with State Forest Department in the account of Ad-hoc CAMPA of the concerned State through online portal. The scheme may include appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has already deposited an amount of Rs. 6, 95, 76,200/- (Rupees six crore ninety five lakh seventy six thousand two hundred only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide RTGS bearing UTR no. ANDBR52017060700096215 on 02.06.2017 towards the cost of raising & maintaining the Compensatory Afforestation at the current wage rate of Rs. 200/- per MD as per the approved CA Schemes over a total area of 416.837 ha of non-forest Govt. land identified in villages- Mushupal (22.910 ha) & Chuchukona (251.121 ha) under Rayagada Forest Division, in village Pipalpadar (96.419ha) under Koraput Forest Division, in village Kandulguda (46.387 ha) under Kalahandi (S) Forest Division and 13.806 ha of degraded forest land in Hatimali DPF under Laxmipur Range of Koraput Division of Odisha against the demand raised by the concerned DFOs of Rayagada, Koraput and Kalahandi (S) Forest Division. Copies of the demand notices and e-challan generated on 02.06.2017 furnished by the user agency are enclosed as Annexure-III series.

<u>Condition No.vii</u>: The User Agency shall transfer online, the Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 28.03.2008, 24.04.2008 and 09.05.2008 in Writ Petition (civil) No. 202/1995 and the guidelines issued by this Ministry vide its letter No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 05.02.2009. The requisite funds shall be transferred through online portal into Ad-hoc CAMPA account of the State concerned.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs.26,79,74,950/-(Rupees twenty six crore seventy nine lakh seventy four thousand nine hundred fifty only) towards the cost of Net Present Value (NPV) for the forest land over 428.075 Ha involved in the mining lease and Rs. 42,94,360/- (Rupees forty two lakh ninety four thousand three hundred sixty only) towards the cost of NPV for the forest land proposed for road over 6.86 ha in designated Ad-hoc

CAMPA account through web portal vide UTR No.ANDBR52017010700241269 on 07.01.2017 and UTR No. ANDBR52017060700096215 on 02.06.2017 respectively. Copies of the demand letters dated 06.01.2017 and 22.04.2017 and e-challan generated on 07.01.2017 & 02.06.2017 respectively as furnished by the user agency are enclosed as **Annexure-IV series**.

<u>Condition No.viii</u>: At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV if so determined as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at SI No.2 of **Annexure-A.**

Condition No.ix: No residential buildings shall be allowed within the diverted forest land.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has submitted an undertaking to this effect at SI No.3 of **Annexure-A**.

<u>Condition No.x</u>: State Government shall submit detail soil conservation plan before Stage-II approval. The cost of implementation shall be borne by user agency.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has deposited the total demanded amount of Rs. 24, 62, 95,000/- (Rupees twenty four crore sixty two lakh ninety five thousand only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide RTGS bearing UTR no. ANDBHJ17216345561 on 03.08.2017 towards the cost for implementation of Soil conservation plan. Copies of the soil conservation plans of Koraput & Rayagada Forest Divisions along with demand letters of DFO, Koraput & Rayagada and copy of the e-challan generated on 03.08.2017 are enclosed as Annexure-V series.

<u>Condition No.xi:</u> Fencing, protection and regeneration of the safety zone area (7.5 meters strip all along the outer boundary of the mining lease area as recommended by the state Govt.) shall be done within three years at the project cost from the issue of Stage-II Clearance.

Besides this, afforestation on degraded forest land to be selected elsewhere measuring one and a half times the area under safety zone shall also be done at the project cost; The degraded forest land (DFL) so selected will be informed to the MoEF& CC with shape files and afforestation will be done within three years from the date of Stage-II clearance.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, it is stated that the area of total safety zone all along the outer boundary of the mining lease area comes to 18.098 ha. Accordingly, a scheme for fencing, protection & regeneration of said safety zone over 18.098 ha around the lease hold area prepared by the User Agency has been duly approved by the RCCF, Koraput vide his memo no. 2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.2,28,67,000/- (Rupees two crore twenty eight lakh and sixty seven thousand only). Copy of the approval letter of RCCF, Koraput along with approved scheme is enclosed as Annexure-VI series. The user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the approved scheme at Sl. No. 4 of Annexure-A.

Further, a scheme for afforestation over 27.174 Ha i.e. one & half times the area (18.098 Ha) under safety zone, identified in the degraded forest land in Ramji DPF under Laxmipur Range of Koraput Forest Division has been duly approved by the RCCF, Koraput vide his memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.1, 16, 54,000/- (Rupees one crore sixteen lakh fifty four thousand only). The user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs.1, 16, 54,000/- (Rupees one crore sixteen lakh fifty four thousand only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide RTGS bearing UTR No ANDBN17210200366 on 01.07.2017 towards approved cost for implementation of 1.5 times safety zone scheme. Copies of the approved schemes, demand letter of DFO, Koraput Forest Division & e-challan generated on 01.07.2017 are enclosed as **Annexure-VII series**. A CD containing the shape files of the 27.174 ha of degraded forest land selected in Ramji DPF for the above purpose is enclosed herewith for reference.

<u>Condition No.xii</u>: Period of diversion of the said forest land under this approval shall be for a period co-terminus with the period of the mining lease proposed to be granted under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 as amended and the Rules framed there under.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, Mining lease over 428.075 ha has been granted by Department of Steel & Mines, Govt. of Odisha vide proceedings No. III (BX) SM-06/2003-303/SM dt. 09.01.2017 and lease deed has been executed by the Collector, Koraput over 406.385 ha on dt. 10.01.2017 and by the Collector, Rayagada over 21.69 ha on dt. 11.01.2017 for a period of 50 years making the validity of the mining lease period up to dt. 09.01.2067. Hence, the permission under FC Act shall be co-terminus with the ML period granted under the MMDR Act 1957 i.e. up to dt 09.01.2067. Copies of the grant order of mining lease and the lease deeds (Koraput and Rayagada Districts) are enclosed as Annexure-VIII series.

<u>Condition No.xiii:</u> Any fund received from the user agency under the project and deposited in the State Forest Department account except the funds realized for regeneration/demarcation of safety zone shall be transferred through online portal into Ad-hoc CAMPA account of the State concerned.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, all the funds deposited by the user agency have been transferred to designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through online portal. Details of the funds deposited in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account by user agency in the specified format of CAMPA duly signed by all concerned is enclosed as **Annexure-XXI**.

<u>Condition No.xiv:</u> The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the User Agency has obtained the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986. Copy of the Environmental Clearance orders granted vide letter no. J-11015/439/2007–IA.II (M) dt 28.05.2008 of GoI, MoEF is

enclosed as Annexure-IX.

Condition No.xv: No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 5 of **Annexure-A.**

<u>Condition No.XVI:</u> The User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staffs working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No.6 of **Annexure-A.**

<u>Condition No. xvii:</u> The boundary of the diverted forest land ,mining lease and safety zone as applicable shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number distance from pillar to pillar and GPS co-ordinates.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the boundary of the mining lease, forest land applied for diversion and safety zone as applicable, have already been demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS co-ordinates. In this regard, a joint DGPS survey of M.L. area of Kodingamali Bauxite Mines has been undertaken in presence of officials of forest, mining and revenue departments. Jointly surveyed DGPS map of M.L. area duly verified by ORSAC and authenticated by the DFOs concerned showing forest, non-forest & the area earmarked as safety zone land along with shape file indicating all surveyed data showing latitude & longitude of each pillars has already been enclosed as Plate No-VIII and Plate no-X in the forest diversion proposal of Kodingamali Bauxite Mines. Photographs of some of the pillars fixed on ML boundary are enclosed as Annexure-X.

Condition No.xviii: The User Agency shall undertake mining in a phased manner after taking the care for reclamation of the mined over area. The concurrent reclamation plan as per the approved mining plan shall be executed by the User Agency from the very first year and an annual report on implementation thereof shall be submitted to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in the concerned State Government and the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry. If it is found from the annual report that the activities indicated in the concurrent reclamation plan are not being executed by the User Agency the Nodal Officer or the Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) may direct that the mining activities shall remain suspended till such time such reclamation activities area satisfactorily executed.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 7 of **Annexure-A.**

<u>Condition No.xix:</u> The layout plan of the mining plan/proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at SI No. 8 of Annexure-A.

<u>Condition No.xx:</u> The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 9 of **Annexure-A**

<u>Condition No.xxi:</u> 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.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 10 of **Annexure-A.**

Condition No. xxii: No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 11 of **Annexure-A.**

<u>Condition No. xxiii:</u> Any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. of 12 of **Annexure-A.**

<u>Condition No. xxiv:</u> The User Agency will abide by the applicable recommendations of the State Government.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 13 of **Annexure-A.**

<u>Condition No.xxv:</u> Following activities, as per approved plan/schemes, shall be undertaken by the User Agency under the supervision of the State Forest Department.

(a) Mitigative measures to minimize soil erosion and choking of streams shall be implemented within a period of three years with effect from the issue of Stage-II clearance in accordance with the approved plan in consultation with the State Forest Department.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, a scheme for mitigative measures to minimize soil erosion and choking of Nala inside the mining lease area prepared by the user agency as per approved mining scheme has been approved by the RCCF, Koraput vide his memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.12,73,000/- (Rupees Twelve lakh seventy three thousands only). The approval letter of RCCF, Koraput along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-XI Series**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the scheme at Sl No. 1 of **Annexure-B**.

(b) Planting of adequate drought hardy plant species and sowing of seeds, in the appropriate area within the mining lease to arrest soil erosion in accordance with the approved scheme.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, a scheme for checking of soil erosion by planting of adequate drought hardy plant species and sowing of seeds inside the mining lease area prepared by the user

agency as per the approved mining scheme has been approved by RCCF, Koraput vide this memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.29, 54,000/-(Rupees twenty nine lakh fifty four thousand only). The approval letter of RCCF, Koraput along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-XI Series.** The user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the approved scheme is at Sl No. 2 of **Annexure-B.**

(c) Construction of check dams, retention/toe walls to arrest sliding down of the excavated material along the contour in accordance with the approved scheme.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, a scheme for construction of check dams, retention/toe walls to arrest sliding down of the excavated material along the contour within the mining lease area prepared by the user agency as per approved mining scheme has been approved by RCCF, Koraput vide his memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.47, 38,000/-(Rupees fourty seven lakh thirty eight thousand only).

Copies of the approval letter of RCCF, Koraput along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-XI Series.** The user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the said scheme at Sl. No. 3 of **Annexure-B.**

(d) Stabilize the overburden dumps by appropriate grading/benching, in accordance with the approved scheme, so as to ensure that angles of repose at any given place is less than 28^{0}

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, Scheme for stabilization of overburden dumps by appropriate grading/benching within mining lease area prepared as per approved mining scheme has been approved by RCCF, Koraput vide letter memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017. As it is a part of mining operation and no extra cost is required in view of implementing this condition from Forest Diversion point of view, no cost estimate has been made. Copy of the approval letter of RCCF, Koraput along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-XI Series**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the scheme at Sl. No. 4 of **Annexure-B**.

(e) No damage shall be caused to the top-soil and the user agency will follow the top soil management plan.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, the scheme for top-soil management inside the mining lease area prepared by the user agency as per approved mining scheme has been approved by RCCF, Koraput vide memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs. 66, 67,425/- (Rupees Sixty six lakh sixty seven thousand four hundred twenty five only). Copy of the approval letter of RCCF, Koraput along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-XI Series**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the scheme at Sl. No. 5 of Annexure-B.

<u>Condition No.xxvi:</u> The State Government shall complete settlement of rights, in terms of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, if any, on the forest land to be diverted and submit the documentary evidence as prescribed by this Ministry in its letter No.11-9/1998-FC (pt.) dated 03.08.2009 read with 05.07.2013. in support thereof.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the Collector, Rayagada has issued requisite certificate under FRA, 2006 over 21.92 ha of forest land involved within the ML area and the Collector, Koraput has issued FRA certificate over 413.25 ha of forest land in two phases i.e. 406.39 ha of forest land involved within the ML area and 6.86 ha of forest land required for approach road to the ML area. Copies of the said certificates along with Gram Sabha Resolutions both in Odia language and their English versions and proceedings of the SLDC and DLC meetings are enclosed as **Annexure-XII series**.

<u>Condition No.xxvii:</u> User Agency either himself or through the State Forest Department shall undertake the gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forests (having crown density less than 0.40), if any, located in the area within 100 meters from outer perimeter of the mining lease. The plan for plantation and SMC activities will be prepared and submitted to MoEF & CC before Stage-II Clearance.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, a scheme to undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forests (having crown density less than 0.4), located in the area within 100 m from outer perimeter of the mining lease has been prepared by the DFO, Koraput Division. The scheme has been approved by the RCCF, Koraput vide memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs. 1, 82, 70,000/- (Rupees one crore eighty two lakh seventy thousand only). The user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs 1, 82, 70,000/- (Rupees one crore eighty two lakh seventy thousand only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide RTGS bearing UTR No ANDBN 17210200366 on 01.07.2017 towards the approved cost for implementation of scheme. Copy of the approved scheme along with the e-challan generated on 01.07.2017 are enclosed as Annexure-XIII Series.

Condition No.xxviii: The User Agency shall undertake mining in a phased manner after taking due care for reclamation of the mined over area. The concurrent reclamation plan as per the approved mining plan shall be executed by the User Agency from the very first year, and an annual report on implementation thereof shall be submitted to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act,1980, in the concerned State Government and concerned Regional Office of the Ministry. If it is found from the annual report that the activities indicated in the concurrent reclamation are not being executed by the User Agency, the Nodal Officer or the Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) may direct that the mining activities shall remain suspended till such time, such reclamation activities area satisfactorily executed.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 7 of **Annexure-A.**

Condition No.xxix: The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS co-ordinates located within 5 km. from the mine lease boundary. This list is to be duly verified by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The User Agency shall regularly undertake desilting of these village tanks and other water bodies so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks/water bodies. A detailed plan for desilting of identified ponds and water bodies to be prepared in consultation with forest department and shall be submitted to MoEF & CC before Stage-II approval.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, a scheme for de-siltation of village ponds/water bodies located within 5km. from the lease boundary of Kodingamali Bauxite Mines has been prepared by the user agency and the same has been approved by the RCCF, Koraput vide memo no.2125 dated 31.05.2017 with a financial outlay for Rs.53,55,000/- (Rupees fifty three lakh fifty five thousand only). The approval letter of RCCF, Koraput along with approved scheme is enclosed as Annexure-XIV series. The user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the approved scheme at Sl. No. 6 of Annexure-B.

<u>Condition No.xxx:</u> The User Agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office of MoEF & CC and this Ministry by the end of March every year.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 7 of **Annexure-B**

<u>Condition No.xxxi:</u> Any other condition that the concerned Regional Office of this Ministry may stipulate, from time to time, in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 8 of **Annexure-B**

<u>Condition No.xxxii:</u> The User Agency shall comply all provisions of all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines & Hon'ble Court Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 9 of **Annexure-B**

Compliance on the stipulations imposed by State Forest & Environment Department, Govt. of Odisha.

<u>Condition No.(A):</u> The User Agency shall pay towards proportionate contribution for implementation of Regional Wildlife Management Plan as per revised cost norm.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs. 2, 48, 28,350/- (Rupees two crore fourty eight lakh twenty eight thousand three hundred fifty only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide RTGS bearing UTR No ANDBR 52017060700096215 on 02.06.2017 towards the differential cost of proportionate contribution for implementation of Regional Wild Life Management Plan at revised rate of Rs.58,000/- as per the

demand raised by the DFO, Koraput Forest Division vide DFO Office letter no. 2581 dated 11.05.2017.

Copy of the demand letter of the DFO, Koraput and the e-challan generated on 02.06.2017 as furnished by user agency are enclosed as **Annexure-XV**.

<u>Condition No. (B):</u> SSWLCP earlier approved by CWLW, Odisha shall be revisited as per current wage rate and Plan would be implemented both within the project area and project impact area at project cost.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, a revised Site Specific Wildlife Conservation Plan has been prepared and approved by the PCCF (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Odisha vide his letter No.5845/1WL-SSP-196/2016 dt 06.07.2017 with a total financial outlay of Rs 1240.22 lakh (Rs 57.00 lakh for activities to be implemented by user agency + Rs 880.74 lakh for activities to be implemented by DFO, Koraput + Rs 302.48 lakhs for activities to be implemented by DFO, Rayagada). The user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs.11,83,22,000/- (Rupees eleven crore lakh fifty four thousand only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide RTGS bearing UTR No ANDBH 17216345561 on 03.08.2017 towards the approved cost for activities to be implemented by the DFO, Koraput and DFO, Rayagada as per the Site Specific Wildlife Conservation Plan. Copy of the approval letter by PCCF (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Odisha demand notices of DFOs concerned and the e-challan generated on 03.08.2017are enclosed as Annexure-XVI series. Besides, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to implement the works prescribed in approved SSWCP confined to ML area at Sl No.1 of Annexure- C enclosed herewith.

<u>Condition No. (C):</u> 18.098 Ha forest land is to be maintained as safety zone and in no circumstances, it shall be used for mining and other allied activities.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 2 of **Annexure-C**.

Condition No. (D): The user agency shall undertake demarcation of the lease area on the ground posting four feet high cement concrete pillars embedded two feed inside the soil with serial number forward and backward bearings, and distance from pillar to pillar. The user agency shall also submit the map of lease area showing different kinds of forest land using DGPS survey data and latitude and longitude of each pillar to the Divisional Forest Officers of Koraput and Rayagada Forest Division for their reference before commencement of work on final forest clearance.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, the RCCF, Koraput has reported that Mining Lease area has already been demarcated on the ground with 4' high RCC pillars with serial number, forward & backward bearing and distance from pillar to pillar and embedded 2' in the ground. Copy of the photographs of some pillars posted are enclosed as **Annexure-X**.

DGPS map showing co-ordinates of boundary pillar and different patches of forest area duly vetted by ORSAC have been enclosed as **Plate No. VIII** and **Plate No. X** in the Diversion Proposal submitted to the DFO, Koraput Division and the DFO, Rayagada Division.

<u>Condition No. (E):</u> Mining operation in this lease will be subject to having valid lease, forest clearance and valid CTE/CTO of SPCB.

<u>Compliance</u>: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect at Sl. No. 3 of **Annexure-C**.

<u>Condition No. (F):</u> Complete copy of FRA resolutions in vernacular (ODIA) language for this project containing signatures of members present during the meeting of Gram Sabha concerned of all the villages pertaining to certificates issued for 406.39 ha and 21.92 ha by Collector, Koraput and Collector, Rayagada shall be furnished.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the copy of FRA resolutions in vernacular (ODIA) language for this project containing signatures of members present during the meeting of Gram Sabha concerned of all the villages pertaining to certificates issued for 406.39 ha and 21.92 ha of forest land by the Collector, Koraput and the Collector, Rayagada respectively are furnished at **Annexure-XI**.

<u>Condition No. (G):</u> Lease profile pertaining to having Bauxite mine in Odisha may be furnished by user agency.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the Lease profile pertaining to having Bauxite mine in Odisha furnished by the user agency is as follows

Name of the Mining lease	Area in ha	Lease Granted		District
		Letter No.	Date	District
Karlapat	1848.222	5165/SM	20.06.2016	Kalahandi
Kodingamali	428.075	III (BX) SM- 06/2003-303/SM	09.01.2017	Koraput & Rayagada

Condition No. (H): Boundary descriptions of RF/PRF land of Kodingamali Bauxite Mines of 428.075 ha of forest land duly signed by DFOs of Koraput and Rayagada Forest Division shall be furnished. Further boundary description of 5.89 ha of RF land in Kodingamali RF duly authenticated by the DFO, Koraput and detailed land schedule of 0.97 ha of revenue forest land coming within the proposed access road duly authenticated by Tahasildar concerned shall also be furnished.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, boundary description of RF/PRF land of Kodingamali Bauxite Mine over 428.075 ha duly signed by the DFO, Koraput Division and DFO, Rayagada Division pertaining to their area are enclosed as **Annexure-XVII.** The boundary description of 5.89 ha of RF land in Kodingamali RF to be used as approach road, duly signed by the DFO, Koraput is enclosed as **Annexure-XVIII**. Besides, Land Schedule of 0.97 ha of Revenue forest land proposed for access road, duly signed by the Tahasildar, Laxmipur is enclosed as **Annexure-XIX**.

<u>Condition No. (I):</u> Details of proposed access road such as alternate alignments examined, total land required, length and width of proposed road, type of road to be built etc may be furnished.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, the details of the proposed access road along with map showing alternate alignments are enclosed as **Annexure-XX series**.

<u>Condition No. (J):</u> Plate II to VII of the diversion proposal has not been authenticated by the Mining Officials. This needs to be done.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, Plate No. II to Plate No. VII have been authenticated by the Mining Officer, Koraput and enclosed herewith vide **Annexure-XXII series**.

<u>Condition No. (J)</u>: Clarification on location of CA land i.e. whether in Laxmipur Tehsil or Koraput Tehsil, may be furnished.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, it is stated that the Compensatory Afforestation land is located in Laxmipur Tahasil.

<u>Condition No.</u> (L): Present status of grant/execution of Mining lease as per provisions of MMDR Act may be furnished.

<u>Compliance:</u> In compliance to the above, it is stated that the Mining lease over 428.075 ha has been granted vide proceedings No. III (BX) SM-06/2003-303/SM dt. 09.01.2017 and lease deed has been executed by the Collector, Koraput and Collector, Rayagada on dt. 10.01.2017 over 428.075 ha for a period of 50 years. The copy of the grant order and lease deeds are enclosed as **Annexure-VII series.**

In view of the above position of the compliance to the conditions imposed in Stage-I approval order by Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, New Delhi as well as the State Government, Ministry is hereby requested to consider the case for according final approval for diversion of 434.935 ha. of forest land (428.075 ha. of forest land within Kodingamali Bauxite Lease area including 18.098 ha. of forest land in safety zone and 6.80 ha. of forest land outside the ML area for construction of approach road to the mining lease) for mining of Bauxite Ore in Kodingamali Bauxite Mines located in Koraput & Rayagada districts of Odisha in favour of M/s Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd. under Section-2 (ii) of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Yours Faithfully,

Encl: Annexure-I to XXI
(in one set)

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Diversion, Nodal Officer, F C Act.

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