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**OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, ODISHA.
BHUBANESWAR**

No. 20031 /9F(MG)- 360 /2016
Dated, Bhubaneswar, the 11th September, 2017

From:

Dr. Anup Kumar Nayak, IFS,
Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Forest Diversion & Nodal Officer, FC Act.

To

The Assistant Inspector General of Forests,
Government of India,
Government of India, Ministry of Forest & Climate Change. (F.C. Division),
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Aliganj,
Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003.

Sub : Diversion of balance 7.397 Ha of Sabik Kissam forest land as on 25.10.1980 in addition to already diverted forest land of 66.38 Ha for Chromite mining in their Mahagiri Mines(Chromite) of 73.777 Ha in Jajpur district, Odisha by M/s IMFA Ltd.

Ref: (i) Letter No. F.No.8-116/2002-FC(Vol.I) dated 20.10.2016 of Govt. of India, New Delhi.

(ii) Letter No. 10F Con) 61/2014- 20022/ F&E, dated 01.11.2016. Govt. of Odisha, F&E Deptt.

Sir,

In inviting reference to the above cited correspondences on the subject, this is to inform that Government of India, MoEF have accorded Stage-I approval vide their letter cited under reference for diversion of balance 7.397 Ha of Sabik Kissam forest land as on 25.10.1980 in addition to already diverted forest land of 66.38 Ha for Chromite mining in their Mahagiri Mines(Chromite) of 73.777 Ha in Jajpur district, Odisha by M/s IMFA Ltd, subject to fulfillment of thirty two (32) conditions stipulated therein. The user agency has complied all conditions imposed by GoI, MoEF & CC and additional two (2) conditions imposed by State Government vide letter under reference. The compliance have been duly processed by the DFO, Cuttack Forest Division and the RCCF, Angul Circle. The same is sent herewith for consideration of Ministry of Environment & Forests and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi for according final approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The compliances in detail are furnished below:

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

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Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking that the legal status of proposed forest land for diversion shall remain unchanged. The undertaking received from the user agency is enclosed as **Annexure-A**.

Condition No.ii : *Compensatory Afforestation over the non-forest land equal in extent to the forest land being diverted shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department at the cost of the User Agency within three years of stage-II clearance.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, an extent of 6.787 Ha of non-forest Govt.land identified in village-Panturi (one patch) under Dharmasala Tahasil in Jajpur district of Odisha has been allocated for Compensatory Afforestation under Cuttack Forest Division.

The user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs.23, 32,800/- (Rupees twenty-three lakh thirty-two thousand eight hundred only) towards the cost of Compensatory Afforestation as per approved scheme with the Ad-hoc Body of CAMPA through e-payment module vide UTR No. SBINR52016122000039035 by RTGS dated 20.12.2016. Copy of the NEFT RTGS Challan dated 19.12.2016 and e-portal transaction Acknowledgement dated 20.12.2016 is enclosed as **Annexure-B**.

Condition No.iii : *The land identified for the purpose of CA shall be clearly depicted on the 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 map bearing No. (F45U1) in 1:50,000 scale clearly depicting CA land over an area 6.787 Ha (one patch) identified in village Panturi under Dharmasala Tahasil in Jajpur District under Cuttack Forest Division duly authenticated by the DFO, Cuttack Forest Division, which is enclosed as **Annexure-C**.

Condition No.iv : *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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, 6.787Ha. of Govt. non-forest land identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation in village Panturi (one patch) under Dharmasala Tehsil of Jajpur District under Cuttack Forest Division has been transferred and mutated in favour of State Forest Department. The RoR of the said mutated non-forest land is enclosed as **Annexure-D**. The details of the land schedule for the mutated non-forest land is given below.

Name of the Village	Khata No	Plot No	Kissam	Total area in Ac./ Ha.
Panturi	212/1	368/754	Parbata-3	16.770 / 6.7866

Condition No.v : *The non-forest land identified for raising Compensatory Afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as R.F. Under Section-4 or PF under Section-20 of the Indian Forest Act,1927 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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, it is stated that the non-forest Govt. land transferred and mutated in favour of State Forest Department for the purpose of compensatory afforestation, has been declared as "Panturi Protected Forest" vide Forest & Environment, Govt. of Odisha Notification No. 10F(Con)- 181/2017 -15450/F&E Dated 21.07.2017 under section 33 of Orissa Forest Act, 1972 (Orissa Act 14 of 1972). The copy of this notification has been endorsed to Govt. of India, MoEF & CC vide Memo No. 15452 dated 21.07.2017 by State Forest Department. A copy of the notification is enclosed as **Annexure-D (1)**. Subsequently, the P.F. Notification has been published in Odisha Gazette vide no.1295 dated 11.08.2017. The copy of the Odisha Gazette publication is enclosed as Annexure-D(2).

Condition No.vi : *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 deposited the demanded amount of **Rs.23,32,800/-** (Rupees twenty three lakhs thirty two thousand and eight hundreds only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide UTR No. SBINR52016122000039035 by RTGS dated 20.12.2016 towards approved cost for implementation of Compensatory Afforestation over an area of 6.787 Ha of Govt. non-forest land in village Panturi under Dharmasala Tahasil of Jajpur District under Cuttack Forest Division against the demand raised by DFO, Cuttack Forest Division. The above amount includes provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years as escalation cost. The Payment particulars as furnished by user agency is enclosed as **Annexure-B**.

Condition No.vii : *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 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.53,99,810/-** (Rupees fifty-three lakh ninety-nine thousand eight hundred and ten only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through RTGS mode vide UTR No.SBIN415141893624 dated 21.05.2015 towards the cost of Net Present Value (NPV) for the forest land over 7.397 Ha as per sabik record as on 25.10.1980. The copy of the letter dated 22.05.2015 along with RTGS payment details as furnished by user agency is enclosed as **Annexure-E**.

Condition No.viii : *At the time of payment of 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 Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, user agency has furnished an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV if so determined as per the final decision of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, which is enclosed as **Annexure-F**.

Condition No.ix : *The User Agency shall pay NPV at the rate 20 percent for each year since the violation of Forest (Conservation) Act,1980 has commenced.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, user agency has submitted representation vide letter dated 23.11.2016 to the Forest & Environment Department, Govt. of Odisha for their recommendation to MoEF &CC, Govt. of India for deletion of above condition on the basis of law & justice. Subsequently, F&E Deptt, Govt. of Odisha has intimated their recommendation to the AIG of Forests, MoEF & CC, Govt. of India vide letter no. 22686 dated 05.12.2016 to consider for deletion of above condition no.(ix) of stage-I approval. **Now the matter is pending before MoEF & CC, Govt. of India.** Representation letter of user agency to Govt. of Odisha & recommendation of Govt. of Odisha to Govt. of India relating to this condition as furnished by user agency are enclosed as **Annexure-G**.

Condition No.x : *The User Agency shall raise penal CA equivalent to the land utilised in violation of the provision of Forest (Conservation) Act,1980.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, user agency has submitted representation vide letter dated 23.11.2016 to the Forest & Environment Department, Govt. of Odisha for their recommendation to MoEF &CC, Govt. of India for deletion of above condition on the basis of law & justice. Subsequently, F&E Deptt, Govt. of Odisha has intimated the recommendation to the AIG of Forests, MoEF & CC, Govt. of India vide letter no. 22686 dated 05.12.2016 to consider for deletion of above condition no.(x) of stage-I approval. **Now the matter is pending before MoEF & CC, Govt. of India.** Representation letter of user agency to Govt. of Odisha & recommendation of Govt. of Odisha to Govt. of India relating to this condition as furnished by user agency are enclosed as **Annexure-H**.

Condition No.xi: *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 Government) 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 & 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 issue of Stage-II Clearance.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, (a)Total safety zone all around the mining lease area comes to 3.08 ha, out of which 2.47 ha of forest land has already been diverted and maintained, balance 0.61 ha safety zone is proposed to be maintained in this present diversion proposal. Accordingly the scheme

for fencing, protection & regeneration of said safety zone over 0.61 ha around the lease hold area has been duly approved by the RCCF, Angul vide his letter memo no. 32 dated 02.01.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.29,150/- (Rupees twenty nine thousand one hundred fifty only). Approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-I**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking towards implementation of above approved scheme, which is enclosed as **Annexure-J**.

(b) Scheme for afforestation over 0.915 Ha i.e. one & half times the area of forest land (0.61 Ha) within safety zone identified in the degraded forest land in Mahagiri DPF under Sukinda Tehsil of Jajpur District has been duly approved by RCCF, Angul vide memo no.32 dated 02.01.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.1,73,145/- (Rupees one lakh seventy three thousand one hundred forty five only). The approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme and shape file is enclosed as **Annexure-K**. The user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs.1,73,145/- (Rupees one lakh seventy-three thousand one hundred forty-five only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through e-portal vide UTR No SBIN717019283826 by RTGS dated 19.01.2017 towards approved cost for implementation of 1.5 times safety zone scheme. Copy of the letter of user agency dated 20.01.2017 to DFO along with the proof of e-payment details (NEFT RTGS Challan dated 18.01.2017 & transaction certificate from SBI dated 19.01.2017 are enclosed as **Annexure-L**.

Condition No.xii: *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 granted under Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act,1957, as amended and the rules framed there-under.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking that the period of diversion shall be co-terminus with the period of mining lease which is enclosed as **Annexure-M**.

Condition No.xiii: *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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, all the funds deposited by the user agency have been transferred to designated Ad-hoc CAMPA account through online e-portal/RTGS. Details on 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-N**.

Condition No.xiv: *The user agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of Environmental (Protection) Act,1986, if required.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the User Agency has obtained the Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986. Environmental Clearance orders vide letter no.J-11015/345/2007-IA.II(M) dated 29.10.2012 and letter no.J-11015/345/2007-IA-II(M) dated 17.03.2015, which are enclosed as **Annexure-O**.

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 that no labour camp shall be established on the forest land, which is enclosed as **Annexure-P**.

Condition No.XVI: *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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staffs working at the site which is enclosed as **Annexure-Q**.

Condition No. xvii: *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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, as reported by the DFO, Cuttack Forest Division the boundary of the mining lease, forest land already diverted & 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 Mahagiri Mines (Chromite) has been undertaken in presence of officials of forest, mining and revenue departments. The lease area has been demarcated on ground by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars embedded two feet inside the soil, each inscribed with its serial numbers, forward and backward bearings and distance from pillars to pillar & GPS co-ordinates. Joint surveyed DGPS map of M.L. area verified by ORSAC and authenticated by DFO 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-IV in the forest diversion proposal of Mahagiri Mines (Chromite). Further the same authenticated DGPS map and shape file as furnished by user agency are enclosed as **Annexure-R**.

Condition No.xviii: *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 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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking, which is enclosed as **Annexure-S**.

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

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking that the layout plan of the mining plan/proposal shall not be changed which is enclosed as **Annexure-T**.

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

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking that the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the proposal which is enclosed as **Annexure-U**.

Condition No.xxi: *The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without the prior approval of the Central Government.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking, which is enclosed as **Annexure-V**.

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

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking that no damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused which is enclosed as **Annexure-W**.

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

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking, which is enclosed as **Annexure-X**.

Condition No. xxiv: *The User Agency will abide by the applicable recommendations of the State Government.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking that they will abide by the applicable recommendations of the State Government which is enclosed as **Annexure-Y**.

Condition No.xxv: *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.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, scheme for mitigative measures to minimize soil erosion and choking of Nala inside the mining lease area prepared as per approved mining scheme has been approved by RCCF, Angul vide memo no.6485 dated 27.12.2016 with a financial outlay of Rs.10,26,000/-(Rupees Ten lakh Twenty six thousands only). Approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-Z**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking towards implementation of scheme, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A1**.

(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.

Compliance: In compliance to the above, scheme for checking of soil erosion by planting of adequate drought hardy plant species and sowing of seeds inside the mining lease area prepared as per approved mining scheme and has been approved by RCCF, Angul vide letter memo no.6485 dated 27.12.2016 with a financial outlay of Rs.14,90,000/-(Rupees fourteen lakh ninety thousand only). Approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-A2**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking towards implementation of approved scheme, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A3**.

(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, 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 as per approved mining scheme has been approved by RCCF, Angul vide letter memo no.32 dated 02.01.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.1,20,000/- (Rupees one lakh twenty thousand only).

Approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-A4**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking towards implementation of scheme, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A5**.

(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°

Compliance: 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, Angul vide letter memo no.32 dated 02.01.2017 with a financial outlay of Rs.8,55,00,000/-(Rupees eight crore fifty-five lakh only). The approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-A6**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking towards implementation of scheme, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A7**.

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

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the scheme for top-soil management inside the mining lease area prepared as per approved mining scheme has been approved by RCCF, Angul vide memo no.32 dated 02.01.2017 without any activities therein, As reported by the DFO, Cuttack Forest Division top soil is not present in the quarry area, hence there is no generation of top soil in this mines. So implementation of top soil management plan is not applicable in case of Mahagiri Mines (Chromite). The approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme without any activities is enclosed as **Annexure-A8**.

Condition No.xxvi: *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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the letter issued by Collectorate, Jajpur vide no. 361 dated 26.02 2016 enclosing the Collector's certificate in model form-II vide letter no. 358 dated 25.02.2016 under FRA,2006 along with Gram Sabha Resolution dated 07.10.2015 of Kaliapani Village in Odia language with signature of all the members present, English version of Gram Sabha Resolution and proceeding of SLDC and DLC meeting are enclosed as **Annexure-A9**.

Condition No.xxvii: *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, three sides of mining lease area of Mahagiri Mines(Chromite) is surrounded by other leases such as retrenched block of M/s. TISCO in the east, Kaliapani Chromite Mines of M/s. Balasore Alloys Ltd in the west and Sukinda Mines (Chromite) of M/s. IMFA Ltd in the north. The forest area of Mahagiri DPF exists on the southern side of lease area where only it is possible to undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forest. Hence the scheme with activities on the southern side of lease has been approved by RCCF, Angul vide letter memo no.6485 dated 27.12.2016 with a financial outlay of Rs.5,81,000/- (Rupees five lakh eightyone thousand only). The approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-A10**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking towards implementation of scheme, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A11**.

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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking which is enclosed as **Annexure-S**.

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, the Scheme/plan for de-siltation of village ponds/water bodies with their GPS co-ordinates located within 5km. from the lease boundary of Sukinda Mines(Chromite) duly verified by Divisional Forest Officer, Cuttack Forest Division has been approved by RCCF, Angul vide memo no.6485 dated 27.12.2016 with a financial outlay for Rs.8,38,000/- (Rupees eight lakh thirty-eight thousand only). The approval letter of RCCF, Angul along with approved scheme is enclosed as **Annexure-A12**. The user agency has furnished an undertaking towards implementation of approved scheme, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A13**.

Condition No.xxx: *The User Agency shall submit the annual self compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to 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, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A14**.

Condition No.xxxi: *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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A15**.

Condition No.xxxii: *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.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, the user agency has furnished an undertaking to this effect, which is enclosed as **Annexure-A16**.

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

Condition No.(A): *The User Agency shall pay the differential cost towards appropriate cost of implementation of Regional Wildlife Management Plan at revised rate.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs.12,54,209/-(Rupees twelve lakh fiftyfour thousand two hundred and nine only) in designated Ad-

hoc CAMPa account through e-portal vide UTR No SBINR52016091634462538 by RTGS dated 16.09.2016 towards differential cost of appropriate contribution for implementation of Regional Wild Life Management Plan at revised rate of Rs.43,000/- against the demand raised by DFO, Cuttack Forest Division vide letter memo no. 7703 dated 10.08.2016.

Subsequently, user agency has deposited the demanded amount of Rs.11,06,655/-(Rupees eleven lakh six thousand six hundred fifty five only) in designated Ad-hoc CAMPa account through e-portal vide UTR No SBINR52017070400059485 by RTGS dated 04.07.2017 towards differential cost of appropriate contribution for implementation of Regional Wild Life Management Plan at revised rate of Rs.58,000/- against the demand raised by DFO, Cuttack Forest Division vide letter no.4829 dated 22.06.2017.

The cost for implementation of Regional Wild Life Management Plan @ Rs.20,000/- and its subsequent differential revised rates @Rs.26,000/-, @ Rs.43,000/- and @Rs.58,000/- as per the State Govt's circular have been deposited time to time by user agency in designated Ad-hoc CAMPa account against the demands raised by DFO, Cuttack Forest Division. The copies of the entire payment documents as furnished by user agency are enclosed as **Annexure-A17**.

Condition No. (B): *Since the previous forest clearance obtained was not for underground mining and environmental clearance order indicates about change of mode of mining to underground, details of underground mining activities taken place already in this mine, shall be furnished along with proposal for change of land use pattern for consideration of MoEF & CC.*

Compliance: In compliance to the above, a Proposal on change of land use pattern from opencast to underground mining and details of underground mining activities taken place has been recommended by Forest & Environment Department, Govt of Odisha to MoEF&CC, Govt. of India for their approval. The recommendation of F&E Department, Govt of Odisha vide letter memo no.3110 dated 14.02.2017 is enclosed as **Annexure-A18**.

In view of the above, the compliance to the conditions imposed in Stage-I approval order by Ministry of Environment & Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India, New Delhi as well as State Government is sent herewith for considering to accord final approval of balance 7.397 Ha of Sabik Kissam forest land as on 25.10.1980 in addition to already diverted forest land of 66.38 Ha for Chromite mining in Mahagiri Mines(Chromite) of 73.777 Ha in Jajpur District, Odisha by M/s IMFA Ltd of Odisha under Section-2 of Forest Conservation Act, 1980.

Yours Faithfully,

Encl: **Annexure-A to A18**
(in one set)

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

Memo No. 20032 /Dt. 11-09-17

Copy along with copy of Stage-I compliance is forwarded to Addl. PCCF(Central), MoEF & CC, Govt of India, Eastern Regional Office A/3, Chandrasekharpur, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action.

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

Memo No. 20033 /Dt. 11-09-17

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

Memo No. 20034 /Dt. 11-09-17

Copy forwarded to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul Circle information and necessary action with reference to his Memo No. 1673 dated 31.03.2017.

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Forest Diversion, Nodal Officer, F C Act

Memo No. 20035 /Dated. 11-09-17

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Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
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