



Eastern Coalfields Limited

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Office of the General Manager

Bankola Area, P.O. Ukhra, Distt. Burdwan, PIN - 713363

Ref No: **GM/BA/229**

Dated: **02.11.21**

To

The Divisional Forest Officer
Shastri Avenue, Aranya Pally, Durgapur
Dist:- Paschim Bardhaman, Pin-713212

Sub: Diversion of 38.38 Ha forest land under Tilaboni Underground Project, Bankola Area- Revision in Forest Area-reg.

Ref: 1. EDS in the PARIVESH portal of MOEF&CC vide Letter no 2046/8 dated 16.08.2021 issued by DFO Durgapur
2. Proposal No. FP/WB/MIN/41301/2019

Dear Sir,

This has reference to the EDS generated in the PARIVESH Portal of MOEF&CC on 03.09.2021 enclosing letter no 2046/8 dated 16.08.2021 regarding the proposal under reference above, for diversion of 39.38 Ha under Tilaboni Underground Project.

In this regard it is to mention that application for Tilaboni UGP was made on 29.07.2019 which was forwarded to your good office on 12.12.2019. Subsequently your good office vide EDS dated 12.03.2021 requested to exclude the beat office complex and its approach road including safety/buffer zone. In this regard it was submitted by ECL that, exclusion of this area will result in total loss of coal amounting to about Rs. 922 crores and loss of revenue to the state government amounting to Rs. 166 crores. Also, vide letter no. ECL/BA/ENV/21-22/08 dated 02.07.2021, ECL submitted an alternative site for this beat office complex near the forest area which was also inspected by your good office.

However, in the aforementioned EDS dtd. 03.09.2021, it has been requested to exclude the Beat office complex and its approach road including safety and buffer zone from the proposed diversion of 39.38 Ha forest land as per advice APPCF & Nodal Officer FCA, Govt. of West Bengal. Further, on 16.09.2021, Forest Range Officer, Ukhra has submitted details of mouza and plots for exclusion of Forest land in the diversion proposal having total area of 1.6 ha. The plot information of the respective forest lands provided by Forest Range Officer, Ukhra Range vide letter No:335/UK-8 dated 16.09.2021 is enclosed.



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As per your valued request and EDS raised in the PARIVESH Portal on 03.09.2021, we have excluded the area of beat office complex, staff quarters along with safety/buffer zone from the proposal of diversion of 39.98 ha forest land.

After exclusion of the area of the beat office complex and staff quarters, the total area comes to 38.38 Ha. To process the proposal, we are submitting the following set of information:

- I. Revised KML file of the forest land proposed
- II. Georeferenced boundary plan of Forest land in 1:4000 scale
- III. Polygon of leasehold boundary and forest land earmarked on survey of India toposheet
- IV. Revised cost benefit analysis as per MOEF&CC Circular dated 01.08.2017
- V. Revised Land Use Plan

We are enclosing herewith the all the above-mentioned information which is being uploaded in the PARIVESH Portal. It is requested to kindly consider our submission and recommend the proposal for grant of Forest Clearance under section (2) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Yours Faithfully


General manager
Bankola Area, ECL




Enclosed:

Soft copies of KML file, DGPS plan,
Cost Benefit analysis, for 39.98 Ha Forest Land
and revised plot schedule for 38.38 Ha

Copy to:

1. DT(P&P) for Kind information
2. GM (Env&F)

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2.11.2021