

v.	Progress of compensatory afforestation as on (date) 31.03.2017 on (a) Forest land (b) Non-forest land.	2337.70 Ha
7.	Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons.	2728.00 Ha Incompliance to the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated:18.04.2013 and 30.07.2015 the proposal is submitted for diversion of forest land under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 infavour of new project proponent M/s. JSW Steel Limited.

Date : 18.11.2017.
Place : Bellary


Deputy Conservator of Forests
Ballari Division, Ballari

FORM – ‘A’

PART – II

(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)
State Serial No. of Proposal

1.	Location of the Project / Scheme:M/s JSW Steel Ltd, M.L.No.2621.		
i.	State/Union Territory	:	Karnataka
ii.	District.	:	Bellary
iii.	Forest Division	:	Bellary Forest Division
iv.	Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in ha.)	:	Extent - 32.56 Ha for mining lease. M/s. JSW Steel Limited has submitted proposal for 33.80 ha for Mining. After Joint survey of lease area, it is observed that 1.24 Ha is overlapped with Hurricane Bungalow as per FSO Order FSO/RMB/-01/2013-14 dated 03-06-2014. Forest Clearance may be proposed over an extent of 32.56 hectares only (33.80 ha-1.24 ha). The Map of approach road is enclosed.
v	Legal status of forest	:	Ramghad Forest Block, Section-4 Notified area vide Notification No. FFD-29, FAF-84, Dated: 28.02.1985.
vi	Density of vegetation.	:	Eco- class III, Southern Dry Deciduous Forest.
Vii	Species-wise (scientific names) and diameter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation / hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed.)	:	Tree enumeration list is enclosed.
viii	Brief note on vulnerability of the forest area to erosion.	:	The proposed area is subjected to soil erosion because of high slope & poor vegetation. Hence, the user agency is required to take up soil & moisture Conservation works such as Check dam, Gully checks, retaining wall etc.
ix.	Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest.	:	The proposed area is Forest land.

	x	Whether forms part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc. (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed).	:	No															
	xi	Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area- if so details thereof	:	-Nil -															
	xii	Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required.	:	-Nil -															
2.	Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined.		:	The forest land required for the mining is bare minimum.															
3.	Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress.		:	Yes. As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.No.562/2009, the Central Empowered Committee conducted a Joint Survey of the M/s. Ramarao poal, M.L.No. 2621 and concluded the following encroachments done. <table><tr><td>1)</td><td>Mining Pit</td><td>-</td></tr><tr><td>2)</td><td>O.B. dumps</td><td>-</td></tr><tr><td>3)</td><td>Roads</td><td>-</td></tr><tr><td>4)</td><td>Others</td><td>28.12 hectares</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Total</td><td>28.12 hectares</td></tr></table> In respect of the encroachment done outside the lease area for above extent i.e. 28.12 hectares, the decision regarding payment towards Compensatory afforestation and Rehabilitation is required to be taken.	1)	Mining Pit	-	2)	O.B. dumps	-	3)	Roads	-	4)	Others	28.12 hectares	Total		28.12 hectares
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4.	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme:		
	i)	Details of non forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch.	: As per the joint survey conducted on 06.07.2017 and the old lessee has not taken Forest clearance for the allotted lease the un-broken area (virgin area) concluded for an extent of 33.80 hectares. Therefore M/s JSW Steel Ltd has identified non-forest land at Sy.No. 140, 39, 142, 140 of Halabhavi Village of Lingausuguru taluk – 21.22 ha and Sy.No. 74/2/1p, 74/1p and 74/5A/1 of Thimmapura Village of Lingasuguru taluk – 12.58 total – 33.80 hectares. The M/s. JSW Steel Limited has agreed to make payment towards Compensatory Afforestation charges for an extent of 33.80 hectares
	ii)	Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries.	: Map enclosed.
	iii)	Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted, implementing agency, time schedule, cost structure, etc.	: As per the CAMPA guidelines, the afforestation scheme is implemented. Datasheet is enclosed.
	iv)	Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme.	: Rs. 2,72,000 x 33.80=Rs. 91,93,600/-
	v)	Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view. (To be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests).	: Enclosed
5.	Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col. 7 (xi, xii), 8 and 9 above.		: Site inspection report is enclosed.
6.	Division/District profile:		
	i.	Geographical area of the district.	: 8420 Sq.K.M
	ii.	Forest area of the district.	: 1349.53 Sq.K.M
	iii.	Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases.	: 6476.58 Ha and totally 91 cases covered
	iv.	Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on (a) forest land including penal compensatory afforestation,	: 2342.49 Ha
		(b) Non-forest land.	: 4131.92 Ha