



Mining Happiness

Letter No. 18504/OMC/F&E/2023

09<sup>th</sup> November, 2023

To

**The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Bonai Division**

**Sub:** Diversion of 268.84 ha forest land (including 12.581 ha. of forest land earmarked for Safety Zone) within Rantha Iron Ore Mines of M/s Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd (OMC Ltd.)

**Ref:** Letter No. 8433/ 6F-(Mg.) dt 08.11.2023 by DFO, Bonai.

Sir,

The compliance to the observation raised by DFO, Bonai vide letter under reference during verification of the proposal submitted by OMC for diversion of 268.84 ha of forest land (including 12.581 ha earmarked for Safety Zone) within Rantha Iron Ore Mines is given as under:

Rantha mining lease over 408.8731 ha was executed on dt 31.12.1968 and while recommending the forest diversion proposal submitted by OMC over 61.855 ha, DDM, Koira vide letter No.3470/Mines dt 28.06.2001 intimated Divisional Forest Officer, Bonai as detailed below:

*"The lessee M/s O.M.C.Ltd have been granted surface right over the entire area of 408.8731 ha out of which only 8.707 hecets of land has been broken prior to 25.10.1980."*

The copy of the letter by DDM, Koira is enclosed as **Annexure-I** for reference.

At a later stage, the area proposed for diversion was revised to 45.890 ha and after scrutiny of the proposal DFO, Bonai has requested General Manager (P&S), OMC vide letter No. 4439/6F dt 22.10.2005 to identify 37.183 ha (45.890-8.707) of non-forest land excluding 8.707 ha of forest land broken prior to 25.10.1980. The computation is based on the then guideline wherein CA land was not required for the forest area broken prior to 25.10.1980.

The copy of the letter by DFO, Bonai is enclosed as **Annexure-II** for kind reference.

It is therefore requested to consider the above facts with letters in support to accept that the area over 8.707 was broken prior to 25.10.2980 and recommend the proposal for consideration by FAC for grant of stage-I Forest Clearance.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

(Dr Suman Krishna Sit)  
General Manager (Geology)  
Authorized signatory

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF MINES: KOIRA: SUNDARGARH.

No. XI-1/98. SECTION /Mines, dt.

From

The Deputy Director of Mines,  
Koira.

To

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Bonai.

Sub:

Diversión proposal over 61,855 hec. of  
forest land within the M.L. area over 408,8731  
hec. in village- Rantha under Bonai Sub-div.  
of Sundargarh district of M/s.O.M.C.Ltd.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am to say that M/s.O.M.C.Ltd. are holding a mining lease over 408,8731 hec. in village- Rantha under Bonai Sub-division of Sundargarh district for a period of 30 years with effect from 31.12.68 and have applied for grant of renewal of the said M.L. on 26.12.97 for 20 years from 01.01.1999. The above mining lease contains 333,3951 hec. of R.F. and 73,478 hec. of P.R.F.

The lessee M/s.O.M.C.Ltd. have been granted surface right over the entire area of 408,8731 hec. out of which only 8,707 hec. of land has been broken prior to 25.10.1980. Accordingly the lessee have submitted D.R.P. as per F.C.Act, 1980 as given below.

	R.F. in hec.	P.R.F. in hec.	Total in hec.
1. Mining and ancillary purposes.	40.452	5.438	45,890
2. Safety zone.	10.935	4.920	15,855
3. Land delineated for for future exploration & not required during current renewal.	283.434	63.120	346,554
4. Land for public purpose( Nala)	0.5741	-	0.5741
Total	335.3951	73.478	408,8731 hec.

Therefore, I am to forward herewith 6 copies of D.R.P. in respect of Rantha Iron Mines over 408,8731 hec. of M/s.O.M.C.Ltd. as per F.C.Act, 1980 for taking further action at your end.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Director of Mines,  
Koira.

Memo No. /Mines, dt.

Copyforwarded to the Collector, Sundargarh for favour of information and necessary action.

Deputy Director of Mines,  
Koira.



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Memo No. \_\_\_\_\_ /Mines, dt.

Copy forwarded to the Director of Mines, Orissa,  
Bhubaneswar for favour of information and necessary action.

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Deputy Director of Mines,  
Koilra.

Memo No. 2470 /Mines, dt. 28/6/2001

Copy forwarded to the General Manager ( P & S ),  
M/s.O.M.C.Ltd. Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action.

  
Deputy Director of Mines,  
Koilra.

OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER : BONAI DIVISION.  
No. 4439 /6F-Dt 20-10-95

To

The General Manager (I&S)  
OMC Ltd., Bhubaneswar.

Sub -

Diversion proposal for diversion of 45 890 Ha. of  
forest land in Khandadhar R.F. and Rantha village

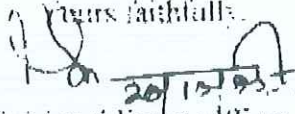
Ref -

Letter No. 4476 dt. 23.3.2005 of the Deputy Director  
of Mines, Koira addressed to this office

Sir,

The above proposal has been received from the C.C.F.  
(Nodal), O O the P.C.C.F. Orissa, vide his memo under reference.

You are requested to identify 37 183 Ha. of non-forest land  
(45 890 Ha. broken 8 707 Ha.) for Comp. Affn. and submit the detailed map and  
land schedule to this office for further action.

Yours faithfully,  
  
20/10/95  
Divisional Forest Officer,  
Bonai Division.

Memo No. /6F-Dt

Copy forwarded to the Tehsildar, Bonai for information and  
necessary action. That OMC Ltd., Bhubaneswar has applied for diversion of 45-890  
Ha. of forest land, for which 37 183 Ha. (or 21 877 Ac) of non forest land is  
required to be identified for Compensatory Afforestation

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Divisional Forest Officer,  
Bonai Division.

Memo No. /6F-Dt

Copy forwarded to the Range Officer, Barsuan for  
information and necessary action

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Divisional Forest Officer  
Bonai Division