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To
✓ The Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Karnataka,
Forest, Environment & Ecology Department,
M.S. Building, Dr.Ambedkar Veedhi,
Bangalore - 560 001.

Subject: Diversion of 17.40 ha. of forest land for Mining lease at S.M. Block RF, Lingadahally village, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District in favour of Sri M. Hanumantha Rao.

Sir,

Kindly refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE.32 FFM 95 dated 28.12.1995 and letter No.FEE 53 FFM 2000 dated 03.01.2001 seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section '2' of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for the above project. The Stage-I approval for the project was accorded vide this office letter of even number dated 17.02.2005. The State Government vide letter No. FEE 20 FFM 2005 dated 31.01.2006 has reported compliance to the conditions stipulated by the Central Government in Stage-I approval.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, I am directed to convey Central Government's approval (Stage-II) for diversion of 17.40 ha. of forest land at S.M. Block RF, Lingadahally village, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District in favour of Sri M. Hanumantha Rao, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Demarcation of forest area proposed for the project shall be carried out by erecting 4 feet high RCC pillars duly numbered serially forward and backward at the cost of user agency.
3. Compensatory afforestation shall be raised over equivalent identified non-forest land at Sy.No.64 of Lingadahalli village of Sandur Taluk, Bellary district at the cost of user agency. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of compensatory afforestation, if any.
4. The non-forest land for compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as RF/PF under Section-4 or P.F. under Section-29 of

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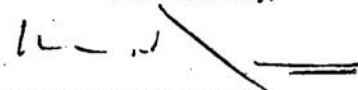
Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act within a period of 6 months and the Nodal Officer (Forest Conservation) shall report the compliance.

5. All the funds received from the user agency under the project shall be transferred to the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA). Till such time an appropriate Head of Account is communicated in this regard, such funds shall be kept in the form of fixed deposits in the name of the concerned Divisional Forest Officer or the Nodal Officer in any Nationalised Bank as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Environment & Forests dated 22.03.2004. The State Government shall utilize all the funds other than NPV till a direction is given by the Central Government in respect of utilization of NPV of the diverted forest land.
6. The lease period for 20 years shall be co-terminus with the current lease granted under MMRD Act 1957.
7. The State Forest Department shall raise and maintain a safety zone and will also raise and maintain the plantation over an area, one and half times of the extent of the safety zone, of the degraded forest land, elsewhere at the project cost.
8. Reclamation plan shall be executed by the user agency from the very first year of mining and an annual report shall be sent to the Nodal Officer and the Regional Office, Bangalore.
9. The user agency shall protect the topsoil at the project cost.
10. The mining activity in the forest area shall be carried out as per the approved mining plan from the IBM.
11. The Environmental clearance shall be obtained from the Ministry of Environment & Forests as per EIA Notification dated 27.01.1994.
12. The consent of State Pollution Control Board shall be obtained under Air & Water Act before the commencement of mining operation and it shall be renewed every year.
13. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and in the supervision of the State Forest Department.
14. No labour camps shall be established on the forest land.

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15. Sufficient firewood shall be provided by the user agency to the labours at the project cost after purchase from the State Forest Department/Forest Development Corporation.
16. The user agency shall ensure that there should be no damage to the wildlife.
17. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.

Yours faithfully,



(K.S.P.V. PAVAN KUMAR)
DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (CENTRAL)

Copy to:-

1. The Director General of Forests & Special Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Paryavaran Bhavan, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi-110003.
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3. The Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer, Forest Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, Malleswaram, Bangalore-3.
4. M/s M. Hanumantha Rao, Teachers Colony, Door No.393 (Behind Church), Sandur - 583 119, Bellary, Karnataka.
5. Guard file.

Yours faithfully,

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