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The Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
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Chitradurga

**Sub.:** Diversion of 100.282 Ha. of forestland for BBH Iron Ore Mine ML No. 0014 (old ML No. 2346) over 93.60 Ha., approach roads over 4.396 ha. and statutory buildings over 2.286 ha. in Holalkere Range, Bedarabommanahalli, Hirekandavadi and other villages, Chitradurga and Holalkere Taluk, Chitradurga Division/District, Karnataka.

**Ref.:**

1. Online proposal no. FP/KA/MIN/44773/2020 dated 26.02.2020.
2. Letter from the Office of the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Govt. of Karnataka vide No. FEE 11 FFM 2021 (e) dt. 29.05.2021.
3. EDS raised by Government of India vide letter No. 8-83/1993-FC(pt.) dt. 16.07.2021.
4. Letter from your good office vide No. A6/FC/JSW/CR-01/2020-21/1349 dated 25.08.2021.

Dear Sir,

M/s JSW Steel Ltd. has applied for the Forest Clearance for diversion of 100.282 Ha. of forestland for BBH Iron Ore Mine ML No. 0014 (old ML No. 2346) over 93.60 Ha., approach roads over 4.396 ha. and statutory buildings over 2.286 ha. in Holalkere Range, Bedarabommanahalli, Hirekandavadi and other villages, Chitradurga and Holalkere Taluk, Chitradurga Division/District, Karnataka vide **ref. (1)**. The proposal is accepted and recommended by Govt. of Karnataka to the office the Inspector General of Forests (Central), MoEF&CC, New Delhi vide **ref. (2)**.

On examination of the proposal, MoEF&CC, New Delhi has sought essential details regarding the status of Compensatory Afforestation (CA) land handed over by the erstwhile lessee (M/s Mineral Enterprise Limited) and Performa for verification of deposits in CAMPA by erstwhile lessee vide **ref. (3)**. Subsequently, we have received a letter vide **ref. (4)** from your good office to submit maps and kml file pertaining to CA land provided by erstwhile lessee.

Kindly note that we only have letter (along with Monitoring Proforma) communicated by Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bangalore to Head Office, MoEF&CC, New Delhi (letter no. 4-KRA 979/2013-BAN/5052 dated 28.03.2014) during processing of FC in favour of erstwhile lessee. It states that-

*"Out of 105 ha. diverted forestland, 85.95 ha. was broken up prior to 1980 and remaining 19.05 ha. was unbroken. In lieu of this unbroken area, 20 ha. of non-forest land in Sy. No. 62 of Yalladakere*



Village of Hiriyur Taluk, Chitradurga District has been planted under Compensatory Afforestation during 2010-11. In this regard, the user agency has paid an amount of Rs. 5 lakhs dated 23.8.1995."

Since, we have no information other than extent and location of the CA land handed over by the old lessee, we request your good office to provide GPS/DGPS coordinates to initiate map and kml file preparation for further submission.

Yours faithfully,  
For M/s. JSW Steel Ltd.

Authorized Signatory

Encl.: As referred above.

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