PART-II
(To be filled by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests)

5. Location of the Project/Scheme.

	i. State/Union Territory.		Odisha.					
Ì	ii. District.		Keonjhar.					
l	iii. Forest Division.		Keonjhar Forest D	ivision.				
Ì	iv.Area of Forest land	The area of the forest land proposed for diversion is 401.7824 ha. The detailed						
	proposed for diversion	pattern of utilization in respect of applied forest land is produced hereunder-						
	(in ha.)	Sl.	Pattern of	Forest Area in ha (Virgin)		Forest Area in ha (Pre-80 Broken)		Total
		No	Utilization					
				PRF	VF	PRF	VF	
	-	1	Mining	306.2866	12.3715	19.51	-	338.1681
		2	Dumping of overburden	3.5016	-	3.97	-	7.4716
		3	Stacking of Ore	0.4280	4.3597	-		4.7877
		4	Sub-grade ore stacking	11.1385	-	-		11.1385
		5	Processing and stacking	24.9305	3.9962	-	-	28.9267
		6	Housing /Colony	-	-	-		-
		7	Balance safety			-		4.0091
		•	zone area for Magazine (3.0 MT	4.0091	_			
			Capacity)					
ĺ		8	Prohibited and			-	-	7.2807
			protected safety	1.7864	5.4943			
			zone area					
			Total	352.0807	26.2217	23.48	-	401.7824
	v. Legal status of Forest.	Village Forest = 26.2217 Ha Total = 401.7824 Ha						
	vi. Density of vegetation.	The forest land applied for diversion involves Gandhama Reserved Forest and Village Forest land. Gandhama Reserved Forest comes under 3C/C _{2e} (ii) moist peninsula Forest type under Champion & Seth classification with s The prevailing vegetation consists of Sal and its Pterocarpus marsupium, Terminalia alata, Emblica office retusa, Gmelina arborea, Cleisanthus collinus, Diospire etc. The crop canopy density varies from 0.3 to 0.4 .					namardan nsular lov vith site q its asso officnali	Proposed v level Sal quality- IV. ciates like is, Bridelia
	vii. Species wise (Scientific names) and diameter class wise enumeration of trees in unbroken area.		Species wise and d Annexure- XXIIB)		ss wise ab	stract of 7	frees is e	enclosed as

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	viii. Whether forms part of	The applied area does not form part of any National Park, Wildlife
	National Park, Wild	Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant Corridor etc.
1	Life Sanctuary,	However, movement of wild elephants is often noticed in the fringe
1	Biosphere Reserve,	areas. The area comes under the elephant habitat zone- 2 of ORSAC,
	Tiger Reserve,	Bhubaneswar.
1	Elephant Corridor	
İ	etc. (If so, the details	
	of the area and	
l	comments of the	
-	Chief Wild Life	
-	Warden to be	
]	annexed.	
İ	6. Whether any work in	Violation.
	violation of the Act has	i. Illegal dumping of ores on forest land (Gandhamardan PRF)
	been carried out	extracted from adjoining lease Block- B in the lease hold area of
	(Yes/No). If yes, details	Block- A of dimension 200 mt x 150 mt x 40 mt (approx 3.00 ha)
	of the same including	at the common boundary with GPS location
	period of work done,	Latitude: N 21 ° 37' 04.5"
	action taken on erring	Longitude : E 85 ° 30' 47.2"
	officials. Whether work	ii. 2 ha. of forest land (Gandhamardan PRF) has been illegally used for
	in violation is still in	road in Block- A without approval in violation of the F.C. Act,
		1980.
	progress.	1960.
	•	A ction taken
		Action taken.
		i. Show Cause notice has been issued to the Regional Manager,
		Gandhamardan Iron Ore Mines, M/s. OMC Ltd. vide letter No.
	:	9513 dated 19.12.2011.
		ii. OR case No. 23 of 2015-16 has been booked and action is being
		taken for sanction and submission of prosecution in the Hon'ble
		Court of SDJM, Keonjhar.
		Present status
		i. Removal of dump from the OB dump site in Block- A is under
		progress as per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India
1		vide their order dated 16.04.2012 (Copy enclosed) and subsequent
		direction of Steel and Mines Department, Govt. of Odisha (Copy
		enclosed).
١		ii. The lessee has represented and submitted a proposal for use of the
ŀ		road under question which is under consideration at the level of
		MoEF&CC, Govt. of India.
	7. Site Inspection report of	Site Inspection report of the DCF enclosed vide Annexure - XXXXVII.
	the DCF (to be	
	enclosed) in respect to	
	status of compliance of	
	conditions stipulated	
	during earlier approval.	
Ì	8. Division/District Profile.	
	i) Geographical area of the	830300.000 Ha.
	district.	
ł	ii) Forest area of the	336615.6293 Ha.
	district.	
ł	iii) Total Forest area	10102.8195 Ha.
	diverted since 1980	(71 Nos.)
	with numbers.	(/ / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / / /
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iv. Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the District/Division since 1980 on (a) Forest land including Penal compensatory afforestation.	C.A. 1669.6180 ha. P.C.A. <u>4994.8675 ha</u> .
(b) Non-forest land.	C.A- 7247.7931ha.
v. Progress of Compensatory afforestation as on (date) (a) Forest land	C.A. 1152.58 ha. P.C.A. 2996.34 ha.
(b) Non-forest land.	C.A 5983.9016 Ha.
13. Specific recommendation of the D.C.F. for acceptance or other wise of the proposal with reasons.	The applied diversion proposal over 401.7824 (375.5607 ha Gandhamardan Proposed Reserved Forest and 26.2217 ha Village forest) is under 2 nd RML with effect from 21.05.2013 for a period of 20 years with validity up to 20.05.2033. However, the validity of the lease has to be appraised in the light of MMDR (amendment) Act, 2015. The proposed area is unavoidable and the barest minimum for the purpose of mining. There is no sign of prevalence of endangered, threatened and vulnerable wild fauna in the said area except movement of wild elephant often noticed in the fringe areas. The proposed land use plan for the said forest land does not have adequate safe guard measures for maintaining ecological stability. Thus, it is suggested that the lessee may be stipulated to take up intensive SMC measures to arrest plausible soil erosion and ensuring conservation of the run off. In addition, it is also suggested that the lessee may be stipulated to earmark proportionate area as deemed fit for the purpose of stacking of top soil in the proposed land use plan. The proposed diversion of forest land will not attract displacement of people.
	The said proposal is therefore submitted for necessary approval u/s-2(ii) of FC Act, 1980 taking the aforesaid facts into consideration.

Date: 17.08.2015 Place. Keonjhar

Signature.

Name Sri Rohita Kumar Lenka, IFS

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Keonjhar Division