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**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
FOREST DEPARTMENT**

From
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To
The Spl. Chief Secretary to Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology
Department,
Telangana State,
Hyderabad.

Ref.No. 0198/2016/FCA-2 Dated: 14.05.2019.

Sir,

Sub: TSFD-F(C)A, 1980 - diversion of 10.875 Ha of Forest Land in Parndla Reserve Forest of erstwhile Hyderabad Division presently Amangal Division falling within the revenue limits of Chippalapally Village, Kandukur Mandal of RR District for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad- **Submission of processed proposal - Reg.**

- Ref:
1. Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad Lr.No.6877/R2-1/2015, dt.30.12.2015.
 2. PCCF, TS, Hyderabad Rc.No. 0198/2016-FCA2, Dt.29.06.2016.
 3. PCCF, TS, Hyderabad Rc.No. 0198/2016-FCA2, Dt.04.02.2017.
 4. A/o M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad Lr.dt.23.02.2017.
 5. Proposal nos FP/TG/QRY/24780/2017 submitted through online on Ministry's website (www.forestclearance.nic.in).
 6. PCCF, TS, Hyderabad Rc.No. 0198/2016-FCA2, Dt.17.03.2017.
 7. Chief Conservator of Forests, Adilabad Ref.No.463/2017-M6, dt.25.09.2017.
 8. Addl.PCCF/CF, Rangareddy Rc.No.254/2016/M2, dt.16-4-2019.

The Addl. Prl. CCF/Conservator of Forests, Rangareddy vide reference 8th cited has submitted (3) sets of processed proposal for diversion of 10.875 Ha of forest land in Parndla Reserve Forest of Shadnagar section of Amangal range in Amangal division for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad.

Details of proposals are as follows:-

I. The User Agency has furnished following information on Part-I:

Proposal for diversion of 10.875 Ha of forest land in Parndla Reserve Forest of erstwhile Hyderabad Division falling within the revenue limits of Chippalapally village, Kandukur Mandal of RR district for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad as per the Director Mines and Geology, TS, Hyderabad Lr.No.6877/R2-1/2015, dt.30-12-2015.

- Map showing the RF area proposed for diversion is enclosed. (Prepared using geo-coordinates accorded by using DGPS/DGNSS survey over laid on topo map.
- Cost of the project is Rs.1.5 to 2.0 Crores.
- **Justification** : - Quartz and Feldspar are associated minerals occur in pegmatite/quartz reefs which occur in Quthubullapur, Serilingampally and Kandukur (M) of RR Dist. The occurrence of quartz deposited that are
- suitable for glass manufacturing is very limited. Quartz is a basic raw-material in glass manufacturing.

The quality of quartz and feldspar mineral available in this sector only. Mining and minerals occurrence are site specific. Hence, question of alternative examination doesn't arise for locating the site in forest area.

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The Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad has also forwarded the application for consideration of diversion proposal of forest land for mining lease to Forest Department.

- Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) is as prescribed is enclosed.
- There is 30 persons will be generated and indirectly about 100 people will be benefited due to the proposed activity.
- The purpose-wise break-up of the total land required is given below:
 1. 9.8284 Ha – for mining.
 2. 1.0466 Ha – Safety Zone within the mining area

Total: 10.875 Ha.

- The project does not involve displacement of people.
- Clearances under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 is not required.
- Required undertaking / certificates enclosed i.e., to pay NPV, Addl. Cost of Net Present Value, Certificate for Bare Minimum requirement, to pay cost of Compensatory Afforestation, to pay cost of protection and regeneration of safety zone, Map in SI sheet and DGPS Survey map for forest land proposed for diversion as well as CA land. etc per the scheme prepared by the State Government are enclosed.

II. A. Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal and the District Forest Officer, Rangareddy has furnished the following information in Part-II as follows:

The District Forest Officer, Rangareddy and Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal have submitted that the present Proposal is for diversion of 10.875 Ha of forest land in Porandla Reserve Forest of Amangal Range of Amangal Division of RR district for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad.

- The Legal Status of Forest : U/s 18 Hyderabad Forest Act 1326, F(1916 AD).
- The density of vegetation is Tropical Deciduous open Forest (0.40)
- There are (535) trees/Poles to be felled in the area proposed for diversion. **(Statement list is enclosed).**
- There is no Protected Archaeological/Heritage Site/ Defense Establishment or any Other Important Monument is located in the forest area proposed to be diverted.
- The proposed project area is barest minimum and there is no alternative private or government non forest area available as the area proposed is for mining. Which falls in the RF block of Porandla.
- No work in violation of F(C) Act, 1980 has been carried out.
- The area proposed for diversion is not falling in National Park, Wildlife Sanctuary, Biosphere Reserve, Tiger Reserve, Elephant corridor etc.,

II (B) Comments of the Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal in his Site inspection report:

In the Site Inspection report dated 20-07-2017, the Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal stated that the proposed forest land for diversion of 10.875 Ha of forest land in Porandla Reserve Forest Block in Comt.No.324 of Shadnagar Section in Amangal Range of Amangal Division of erstwhile Hyderabad Division falling within the revenue limits of Chippalapally village, Kandukur Mandal of RR district for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad.

The proposed forest land situated in the Compt.Nos.324 in Porandla Beat/Amangal Range. The area proposed diversion is in eastern boundary of said RF block of Porandla RF block in Compt. No.324. The Canopy density is 0.40 .

During the inspection the availability of alternatives have been verified. It is noticed that, the Quartz and Feldspar minerals is available only in these area and there is no alternative is available.

The proposed land for diversion for mining lease falls in the Porandla village and 535 Nos. trees/poles of (Tectona Grandies, Azaridica Indica, Chloroxylon Swietenia, Lagerstroemia lanceolata, Albizia lebbek, Madhuca indica, etc) the total quantity of timber is about 3.88 Cmt, 506 poles and Fuel wood of 10 tones the total value of is about 1.504 lakhs.

Further it is noticed that, the soil erosion is possible due to clearance of vegetation growth, to avoid erosion construction of the SMC structures is necessary along with taking up planting activity along the periphery of the mining area and either side of the roads. The cost of structures will be born by the User Agency. There is no rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the proposed diversion of forest lands and there is no protected archaeological/Heritage site/Defense establishment or any other monument located in the proposed diversion forest land. The reasons mentioned by the User Agency in part-I are to be found justifiable and the impact of the project on adjoining flora and fauna is insignificant.

The photographs showing the inspection site of proposed diverted area of Porandla Block.

II(c) Recommendations of Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal in Part-II:

The Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal has recommended the project in part-II and stated that the area proposed for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad is barest minimum and there is no alternative private land or government land adjacent to the proposed area and the area which is proposed for diversion falls in the RF block of Porandla and there is no effect on wildlife. The part-II is countersigned by the District Forest Officer, Rangareddy.

III Recommendations of Addl. PCCF/Conservator of Forests, Rangareddy:

Addl. PCCF/Conservator of Forests/CF, Rangareddy while agreeing to the comments and recommendations of Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal and the District Forest Officer, Rangareddy in Part-II has Recommended diversion of forest land 10.875 Ha (including 1.0466 Ha of Safety Zone area) in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad and stated that it is barest minimum and there is no alternative private land or government land adjacent to the proposed area and the area which is proposed for diversion falls in the RF block of Porandla and there is no effect on wildlife.

VI. Information on RoFR Act:

A certificate issued by the then District Collector, Rangareddy Dist vide dt.04-01-2019 as stipulated by the MoEF, GoI, New Delhi vide Lr.No.11-9/1998-FC (pt), Dt.03.08.2009, in the prescribed format **Annexure-I (Form-II for non-linear projects) duly certified by the District Collector** for evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (RoFR) Act, 2006 and certified that 10.875 Ha (including 1.0466 Ha safety Zone area) of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar within the revenue limits of Chippalapally village, Kandukur Mandal of RR District.

VI. Information of non-forest CA land:

The CF, Adilabad has submitted CA scheme proposal for raising of CA with (7) years maintenance, along with soil suitable certificate for non-forest land, identified by User Agency to an extent of 10.93 Ha identified by the User Agency in different Sy Nos. 21, 26 and 86 of Agarguda village of Penchikalpet Mandal of Komarambheem Asifabad District of FDO, Kagaznagar Division of Adilabad Circle, falling in Agarguda beat Gundepally section of Penchikalpet Range in lieu of diversion 10.875 Ha of forest land in Porandla RF of Hyderabad Division falling in Chippalapally village, Kandukur Mandal of RR District for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad submitted by FDO, Kagaznagar.

- The CA scheme is prepared by the FDO, Kagaznagar with a financial outlay of Rs.57.400 Lakhs. (5739526). As the CA Scheme is prepared with FSR 2017-18 with escalation of 10% every year, proposing nursery from 2017-18, the CA Scheme now proposed from 2021-22 and the cost is escalated to Rs.57.4 Lakhs X 1.1 X 1.1 X 1.1 X 1.1 = Rs.84.04 Lakhs same will be revised during raising of demand notice, with 10 years of maintenance. Similarly, SMC plan to reduce the soil erosion will be prepared and raised over UA while raising demand notice.
- Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for CA and adjoining forest boundaries are enclosed.

In view of the above, the statutory proposals along with necessary enclosures with due recommendations of undersigned in Part-IV are submitted herewith in Triplicate for onward transmission to MOEF&CC, GOI, New Delhi for according necessary approval for the project, as per the guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- P.K.Jha,
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.
(Head of Forest Force)

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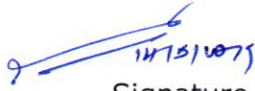
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(Head of Forest Force)

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PART - IV

(to be filled by the Nodal officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or Head of Forest department)

13.	Detailed opinion and specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks (While giving opinion, the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon).	Proposal for diversion of 10.875 Ha of Forest Land in Parndla Reserve Forest of Shadnagar section of Amangal range in Amangal Division for grant of Mining lease of Quartz and Feldspar in favour of M/s Gayatri Minerals, Hyderabad is <u>recommended</u> . The conditions proposed by the Forest Divisional Officer, Amangal and recommended by APCCF/CF, Rangareddy in Part-II and Part-III respectively are agreed to and may be stipulated in the approval.
	Date: .05.2019. Place Hyderabad.	 Signature Name & Designation (Official seal)

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force)
Telangana, Hyderabad.

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