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Office of the  
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To,

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government  
Forests, Environment and Ecology Department  
M.S. Building, Bengaluru - 560 001

Sir

**Sub:** Proposal for diversion of 64.86 ha of forest land (60.66 ha for mining + 4.2 ha for approach road) in Swamimalai (SM) Block Forest, near Dharmapura Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ML No.2148 *[an auctioned C-category mine erstwhile lessee Sri H.G. Ranganagouda]* in favour of M/s MSPL Limited, Hosapete, Ballari District (LoI holder)

**Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019 [FORM-A]**

- Ref:**
1. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, (FC Division), New Delhi letter No. 8-21/2020-FC dated 23-12-2020 *[seeking additional information]*
  2. Government of Karnataka letter No. FEE 39 FFM 2020 (E) dated 13-01-2021 to Government of India *[online communication of GOI EDS query on 18-01-2021]*
  3. This office letter of even number dated 18-01-2021 *[to Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle online communication of Government of India EDS query on 19-01-2021]*
  4. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division letter No.M1/MNG/MSPL/HGR/2019-20/930 dated 10-08-2021 *[online reply dated 17-08-2021 to GOI EDS query]*
  5. Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle letter No. No.M1/MNG/TRF/ML.No.2148/CR-2/2020-21 dated 08-09-2021 *[online reply dated 07-09-2021 to GOI EDS query]*

The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi vide Ref (1) had sought certain additional information/clarification for further consideration of the above mentioned proposal. The same was communicated by Government of Karnataka to this office vide Ref (2) and further by this office to the field officers vide Ref (3) for seeking the required information.

In response, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division and the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle vide Ref (4) and (5) respectively have submitted the information/clarification on the points raised by Government of India. Based on the said reports, the reply to the Government of India EDS query is submitted as follows.

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i	a. Previous lessee was having valid lease for the period from	Chronological information pertaining to status of FC approval with relevant documents for the



	21.07.1992 to 20.07.2012. The State Government has not clarified the status of FC approval during the said period along with relevant documents. A detail chronology shall be submitted.	Mining Lease No. 2148 are enclosed as <b>(Annexure-1)</b> .															
	b. This information has not been provided by the User Agency in Part-I (B-1) of the proposal	The User Agency has not furnished the information in Part-I (B-1) as they were not holding the lease prior to the e auction by the State Government in accordance with Mineral(auction) Rules, 2015. However, the said information is submitted through offline in <b>(Annexure-2)</b> .															
ii	The State Government shall submit the approval details and status of compliance with respect to the forest area diverted in favor of previous lessees.	Sri H.G.Ranganagouda is the erstwhile lessee for the proposed mine. The Approval details and compliance to the Forest Clearance in respect of Sri. H.G.Ranganagouda (ML No.2148) are enclosed as <b>(Annexure-3A to 3F)</b> .															
iii	As per the DSS analysis report it is learnt through time series satellite imagery available on the google earth that the non- forestry activity has been done outside the lease boundary and the area of Non- Forestry activity outside lease had continuously increased during the period 28.10.2003 to 20.12.2012. Moreover, as per the DSS, the Legal status of the land where the Non-forestry activity outside lease was done in the past is a reserved forest land (RF) named Kumarswamy Betta RF prima facie the matter appears to be violations of the FCA-1980 and details of actions initiated in this regard by concerned authorities need submission.	<p>There have been certain violations during the operations of previous lessee. In this regard, the Central Empowered Committee conducted a Joint Survey of the M/s. H.G. Ranganagouda, M.L.No.2148 as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.No.562/2009 and confirmed the following encroachments/violations;</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>1)</td><td>Mining Pit</td><td>5.61 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td>2)</td><td>O.B. dumps</td><td>10.97 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td>3)</td><td>Roads</td><td>0.43 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td>4)</td><td>Others</td><td>4.60 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>Total</b></td><td><b>21.61 hectares</b></td></tr> </table> <p>As a result the mine was categorised as C category Mine and Forest Offence Case has been booked against M/s. H. G. Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) for the violations vide FOC No. 09/2014-15 dated 19/11/2014. Further, a chargesheet has been filed in JMFC Court, Sandur vide CC No.96/2021 dated 17.02.2021. Case is pending in JMFC Court, next hearing fixed on 02.11.2021. <b>(Details enclosed as Annexure-4)</b></p>	1)	Mining Pit	5.61 hectares	2)	O.B. dumps	10.97 hectares	3)	Roads	0.43 hectares	4)	Others	4.60 hectares	<b>Total</b>		<b>21.61 hectares</b>
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v	<p>It has been reported that the proposed area for diversion has steep slope and thus prone to soil erosion. The State Government shall submit its comments and if necessary a proposal to address the possible impact caused due to the proposed activity.</p>	<p>The R &amp; R plan for the proposed area has been prepared by ICFRE along with the domain experts and representatives of M/s MSPL Limited. The same has been approved by CEC (on 24.06.2019) as per the guidelines approved by Hon'ble Supreme Court and based on their prescriptions specific course correction measures should be taken up before start of mining operations as per the Court order.</p> <p>The R&amp;R plan prescriptions are construction of Engineering measures such as Toe walls, Garland drains, Stone masonry check dam, Loose Boulder check dam, Gabion Check dam, Log wood check dams, Brush wood check dam &amp; Silt Settling tanks to prevent the soils erosion and taking care surface water management. All proposed works outside the lease will be completed before starting of mining operations and the works connected to inside the lease will be implemented by the fresh lessee i.e. <b>MSPL Limited</b> as per the time frame given in R&amp;R plan.</p> <p>The area with steep gradient/slope specified in the report should be established appropriately by the current lessee before start of any mining activity</p>
vi	<p>It has been mentioned online that there is no requirement of Environmental Clearance. The State Government shall provide comments regarding non-applicability of Environmental Clearance in the instant mining proposal.</p>	<p>Environmental Clearance granted to the erstwhile lease vide MoEF &amp; CC letter Nos J-11015/333/2005-IA, II(M) Dt. 23.12.2005 and J-11015/40/2007-IA,II(M) Dt.14.03.2008 (for expansion of Production capacity from 1.50 to 5.00 MTPA) has now been transferred in favor of M/s MSPL Limited vide letter No: SEIAA 8 MISC-2019 dated 13.05.2019 (<b>Annexure-5</b>).</p>
vii	<p>Approved copy of the land use plan and Mining Plan shall be submitted</p>	<p>Approved copy of the land use plan and Mining Plan are enclosed as (<b>Annexure-6</b>).</p>
viii	<p>a. As per the DSS analysis of compensatory afforestation patches, it has been found that out of 4.18 Ha area of CA land identified in Revenue land, Approx. 2.03 ha of this land is falling in the Reserve Forest (RF)</p>	<p>The User Agency submitted the undertaking that over lap area over an extent 2-03 ha for the CA land will give separately after Stage-I approval. (<b>Annexure-7</b>).</p>
	<p>b. Furthermore, the instant proposal is being treated as altogether a fresh proposal. Hence, the User Agency shall submit CA on Non-Forest Land over an area of 64.86 Ha.</p>	<p>The User Agency has to give Patta land as per the directions of Government of Karnataka vide Order No. FEE 82 FLI. 2016 dated 31-08-2016. Narrating various facts related to providing of CA land by erstwhile User Agency, the new User Agency (M/s. MSPL Limited) has submitted the undertaking and say that 'we will obey and provide based on the decision of FAC of MoEF &amp; CC during the Stage-I Clearance (<b>Annexure-7A</b>).</p>
	<p>c. As per the DSS analysis and overlay of. Kml files on time series data</p>	<p>The User Agency has identified CA land in Belgaum District of Karnataka. The Suitability</p>

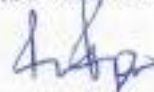


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ix	Validity of Letter of Intent dated 06.10.2018 is for 30 months which will expire on 05.04.2021. This issue needs comment of the state Government.	Letter of intent issued by Department of Mines and Geology, Bengaluru dated 23-12-2019 is valid for 3 year from date of its issuance. ( <b>Annexure-8</b> ).
x	The States Government Shall upload the copies of Certified SOI topo sheets and Geo referenced maps of Proposal forest land for diversion and compensatory afforestation sites.	Copy of the Toposheet and Geo referenced maps of Proposal forest land for diversion and compensatory afforestation sites are uploaded by the User Agency in the Website. Same are enclosed as ( <b>Annexure-9</b> ).
xi	With respect to the violation mentioned the state government may furnish details on action taken matter.	The mine was Categorized as 'C' category Mine and Forest Offence Case has been booked against M/s. H. G. Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) for the violations vide FOC No. 09/2014-15 dated 19/11/2014. Further, a charge-sheet has been filed in JMFC Court, Sandur vide CC No.96/2021 dated 17.02.2021. Case is pending in JMFC Court, next hearing fixed on 02.11.2021.

In view of the above, it is requested to submit the above information/ document to Government of India for taking further action.

The present status (Timeline) of the proposal obtained from the FC web portal is also appended for information.

Yours Faithfully



(Rajiv Ranjan, IFS)

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA)

**Copy to the:**

1. The Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari for information.
2. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Chitradurga Division for information.
3. M/s MSPL Limited, Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road, Hosapete, Ballari District- 583 203 for information.

To,  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer(FCA),  
Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru.

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Sub:-Diversion of 64.86 ha of forest land (60.66 ha for mining + 4.20 ha for approach road) in Dharmapura village, Sandur taluk, Ballari district for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ML.No.2148 (C-category mines: erstwhile lessee Sri H.G.Ranganagouda) in favour of M/s MSPL Limited, Hospet.

**Proposal No.FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019 (Form-A).**

Ref:-1)Your letter No.KFD:HoFF:A5-1(MNG):51/2018-FC dated: 18-01-2021.

2)This office letter of even No. dated:08-02-2021.

3)Letter No.MI:MNG:MSPL:HGR/2019-20/930 dated:10-08-2021 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari.

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In light of the directions issued by your goodself vide letter (1) cited above to submit the certain shortcomings and other additional information as sought for by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change(Forest Conservation Division), New Delhi in its letter dated:23-12-2020 in respect of proposal for diversion of 64.86 ha of forest land (60.66 ha for mining + 4.20 ha for approach road) in Dharmapura village, Sandur taluk, Ballari district for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ML.No.2148 (C-category mines: erstwhile lessee Sri H.G.Ranganagouda) in favour of M/s MSPL Limited, Hospet, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari was directed vide this office letter (2) cited above to submit the same duly obtaining from the user agency for onward submission of the same to your kindself.

Further, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari in his self contained report (3) cited above has submitted the report on all the 11 points as called for by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change(Forest Conservation Division), New Delhi, duly inspecting the said mining lease area personally on 15-02-2021. Hence, I am submitting herewith the point wise information for taking further needful action in the matter.

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	b. This information has not been provided by the User Agency in Part-I (B-1) of the proposal	It is reported that the user agency in their response (Enclosed as <b>Annexure-2</b> ) has stated that they have not furnished the information in Part-I (B-1) as they were not holding the lease previously. However, the said information is submitted herewith as (Annexure-1).															
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ix	Validity of Letter of Intent dated 06.10.2018 is for 30 months which will expire on 05.04.2021. This issue needs comment of the state Government.	<b>The validity of letter of intent has been expired. However, the user agency has not submitted the revised letter of intent.</b>
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Yours faithfully,  
Sd/-

Chief Conservator of Forests,  
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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS  
BALLARI DIVISION, BALLARI

No. M1/MNG/MSPL/HGR/2019-20 / 1389

Dated: 10.08.2021

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4) This office even number letter Dt.09.02.2021.  
5) Letter No. TA/ACF/ML/R&R/Report/2020-21 Dt.09.03.2021 of the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari Sub-Division, Ballari

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With reference to the above subject, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, New Delhi has communicated certain shortcomings regarding diversion of 64.86 hectare of forest land (60.66 ha for mining + 4.20 ha for approach road) in Dharmapura Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District of Narasimha Iron Ore Mine; ML No.2148 (C-category mines; erstwhile lessee Sri H.G.Ranganagouda) in favour of M/s. MSPL Limited, Hospet vide letter under Ref (1).

Further, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore and the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari have directed the undersigned to get the clarification on the above points vide letters under Ref (2) & (3). In this regard, the undersigned has directed the field officers (vide letter under Ref 4) to submit the said information. The same has been received through the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari Sub-Division, Ballari vide letter under Ref (5).

Upon perusal of the records submitted and personal visit to the proposed site on 15.02.2021, I am herewith submitting the following information regarding diversion of 64.86 hectare of forest land (60.66 ha for mining + 4.20 ha for approach road) in Dharmapura Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District of Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ML No.2148 (C-category mines; erstwhile lessee Sri. H.G.Ranganagouda) in favour of M/s. MSPL Limited, Hospet as sought by Government of India;

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iii	As per the DSS analysis report it is learnt through time series satellite imagery available on the google earth that the non- forestry activity has been done outside the lease boundary and the area of Non- Forestry activity outside lease had continuously increased during the period 28.10.2003 to 20.12.2012. Moreover, as per the DSS, the Legal status of the land where the Non-forestry activity outside lease was done in the past is a reserved forest land (RF) named Kumarswamy Betta RF prima facie the matter appears to be violations of the FCA-1980 and details of actions initiated in this regard by concerned authorities need submission.	As noted in the observations, there have been certain violations during the operations of previous lessee. In this regard, the Central Empowered Committee conducted a Joint Survey of the M/s. H.G.Ranganagouda, M.L.No.2148 as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.No.562/2009 and confirmed the following encroachments/violations; <table border="1"> <tr> <td>1)</td><td>Mining Pit</td><td>5.61 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td>2)</td><td>O.B. dumps</td><td>10.97 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td>3)</td><td>Roads</td><td>0.43 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td>4)</td><td>Others</td><td>4.60 hectares</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>Total</b></td><td><b>21.61 hectares</b></td></tr> </table> <p>As a result the mine was categorised as C category Mine and Forest Offence Case has been booked against M/s. H. G. Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) for the violations vide FOC No. 09/2014-15 Dt. 19/11/2014. Further, a chargesheet has been filed in JMFC Court, Sandur vide CC No.96/2021 Dt.17.02.2021. Case is pending in JMFC Court, next hearing fixed on 02.11.2021. <b>(Details enclosed as Annexure-4)</b></p>	1)	Mining Pit	5.61 hectares	2)	O.B. dumps	10.97 hectares	3)	Roads	0.43 hectares	4)	Others	4.60 hectares	<b>Total</b>		<b>21.61 hectares</b>
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		<p>prescriptions specific course correction measures should be taken up before start of mining operations as per the Court order.</p> <p>The R&amp;R plan prescriptions are construction of Engineering measures such as Toe walls, Garland drains, Stone masonry check dam, Loose Boulder check dam, Gabion Check dam, Log wood check dams, Brush wood check dam &amp; Silt Settling tanks to prevent the soils erosion and taking care surface water management. All proposed works outside the lease will be completed before starting of mining operations and the works connected to inside the lease will be implemented <b>by the fresh lessee i.e. MSPL Limited</b> as per the time frame given in R&amp;R plan.</p> <p>The area with steep gradient/slope specified in the report should be stabilised appropriately by the current lessee before start of any mining activity</p>
vi	It has been mentioned online that there is no requirement of Environmental Clearance. The State Government shall provide comments regarding non-applicability of Environmental Clearance in the instant mining proposal.	Environmental Clearance granted to the erstwhile lease vide MoEF & CC letter Nos J-11015/333/2005-IA. II(M) Dt. 23.12.2005 and J-11015/40/2007-IA.II(M) Dt.14.03.2008 (for expansion of Production capacity from 1.50 to 5.00 MTPA) has now been transferred in favor of M/s MSPL Limited vide letter No: SEIAA 8 MISC-2019 Dt.13.05.2019 ( <b>enclosed as Annexure-5</b> ).
vii	Approved copy of the land use plan and Mining Plan shall be submitted	Approved copy of the land use plan and Mining Plan are enclosed as <b>Annexure-6</b> .
viii	a. As per the DSS analysis of compensatory afforestation patches, it has been found that out of 4.18 Ha area of CA land identified in Revenue land, Approx. 2.03 ha of this land is falling in the Reserve Forest (RF)	The User Agency has identified CA land in Belgaum District of Karnataka. The Suitability Certificate issued by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Belgaum vide letter No. D1/Bhoomi/MSPL/CA/CR-2018-19/3896 Dt.26.12.2019 (01.01.2020) is <b>enclosed as Annexure-7</b> .
	b. Furthermore, the instant proposal is being treated as altogether a fresh proposal. Hence, the User Agency shall submit CA on Non-Forest Land over an area of 64.86 Ha.	The User Agency has to give Patta land as per the directions of Government of Karnataka vide Order No. FEE 82 FLL 2016 Dt. 31-08-2016. Narrating various facts related to providing of CA land by erstwhile User Agency, the new User Agency (M/s. MSPL Limited) has submitted the undertaking and say that 'we will obey and provide based on the decision of FAC of MoEF&CC during the Stage-I Clearance ( <b>Annexure-7A</b> ).
	c. As per the DSS analysis and overlay of Kml files on time series data available on the Google earth, it is learnt that the identified 4.16 Ha area of CA land is having dense tree cover and	The User Agency has identified CA land in Belgaum District of Karnataka. The Suitability Certificate issued by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Belgaum vide letter No. D1/Bhoomi/MSPL/CA/CR-2018-19/3896



	scope of further plantation is not perceptible in the identified CA site, therefore, an additional CA site in the degraded forest land may be identified by the state. Govt of Karnataka so as to accommodate Balance portion to fulfill norm of planting 1000 saplings per Ha.	Dt.26.12.2019 (01.01.2020) is enclosed as <b>Annexure-7</b> . It is stated in the said suitability certificate that, 1200 Nos of 8"X12" size plant per hectares may be planted in the said identified CA.
ix	Validity of Letter of Intent dated 06.10.2018 is for 30 months which will expire on 05.04.2021. This issue needs comment of the state Government.	The User Agency has submitted that they have requested the Additional Chief Secretary, Commerce and Industries Department, Bangalore to extend the validity of the 'Letter of Intent' vide their letter Dt. 08.03.2021 (Copy enclosed as <b>Annexure-8</b> ).
x	The States Government Shall upload the copies of Certified SOI topo sheets and Geo referenced maps of Proposal forest land for diversion and compensatory afforestation sites.	Copy of the Toposheet and Geo referenced maps of Proposal forest land for diversion and compensatory afforestation sites are uploaded by the User Agency in the Website. Same are enclosed as <b>Annexure-9</b> .
xi	with respect to the violation mentioned the state government may furnish details on action taken matter.	the mine was categorised as C category Mine and Forest Offence Case has been booked against M/s. H. G. Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) for the violations vide FOC No. 09/2014-15 Dt. 19/11/2014. Further, a charge-sheet has been filed in JMFC Court, Sandur vide CC No.96/2021 Dt.17.02.2021. Case is pending in JMFC Court, next hearing fixed on 02.11.2021.

Yours Faithfully,

Sd/-

Deputy Conservator of Forests  
Ballari Division, Ballari

- 1) Copy submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bangalore for kind information.
- 2) Copy to M/s. MSPL Limited, Hospet for information.

Deputy Conservator of Forests  
Ballari Division, Ballari



## Annexure-1

### Chronological information pertaining FC Approval of Mining Lease No. 2148

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- The Mining lease was accorded Forest Clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide Government of India letter No. vide 8-5/2003-FC Dt. 07/08-07-2003 and Government of Karnataka vide order No. FEE 26 FFM-2003 Dt. 16.08.2003 in favor of M/s. H.G Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) over an area of 41.16 hectare in SM Block, Sandur taluk for the period of 20 years co-terminus with the lease granted under MMDR Act, 1957. The FC Approval was valid up to 20.07.2012 as the Mining Lease sanctioned under MMDR Act, 1957 vide ML No.2148 lease deed executed on 21.07.1992 was also valid till 20.07.2012 (copies enclosed as Annexure-3A & 3B).
- Subsequently, M/s H. G. Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) has obtained Forest Clearance for additional area of 23.75 ha (19.55 ha for mining & dumping and 4.20 ha approach road) vide Government of India letter No. 4-KRC-246/2006-BAN Dt. 07.12.2006 and Government of Karnataka order No FEE-82, FFM-2006, Bangalore dated 19.12.2006). Further, 3.30 hectares of additional forest land was sanctioned under under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide Government of India Letter No. Vide 8-5/2003-FC Dt.05.02.2007 and Government of Karnataka Vide Order No.FEE-191, FFM-2006 Dt.22.03.2007 (copies enclosed as Annexure-3C, 3D, 3E & 3F).
- Thus, the total Forest Area for which FC approva was given is 68.21 Ha (64.01 Ha for Mining & dumping and 4.20 Ha for Approach Road).
- Central Empowered Committee has carried out joint survey and digitization of the lease area of ML No. 2148, as per the directions of and orders by the Honorable Supreme Court of India in WP No. 562/2009. They arrived at an extent of the mining lease area as 60.66 hectares only and confirmed following encroachments and categorised as 'C'.

1)	Mining Pit	5.61 hectares
2)	O.B. dumps	10.97 hectares
3)	Roads	0.43 hectares
4)	Others	4.60 hectares
	<b>Total</b>	<b>21.61 hectares</b>

- Subsequently, the Mining Lease in favour of M/s H. G. Ranganagouda was cancelled as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court order. Later on, the mining lease area as worked out by CEC (60.66 Ha) has been e-auctioned by the Department of Mines & Geology as per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order Dt. 18.04.2013 (Annexure-C). M/s. MSPL Limited Hospet has been declared as successful bidder for ML No.2148 (C-category mine) through e-auction over an extent of 60.66 ha. Further, the Commissioner, Department of Mines & Geology, Bangalore and has issued Letter of Intent for an extent of 60.66 hectares (Annexure-D).
- Now, M/s. MSPL Limited Hospet has submitted online proposal for diversion of 64.86 hectare of forest land (60.66 ha for mining + 4.20 ha for approach road) in Dharmapura Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ML No.2148 (C-category mines; erstwhile lessee Sri. H.G.Ranganagouda) vide Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019 [FORM-A].

Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Ballari Division, Ballari

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Dated: 22.02.2021

To,  
The Range Forest Officer  
Sandur South Range

Respected Sir,

Sub: Reg. Forest clearance for the Mining Lease No 2148 (ML Area: 64.86 ha) (Erstwhile Lessee of Sri. H.G. Rangangouda") by Narasimha Iron Ore Mine, of M/s MSPL Limited at Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluk.

Ref: 1) DCF,Ballari Letter No:M1/MNG/MSPL/HGR/2019-20 dated:09.02.2021  
2) PCCF Letter No:KFD/HOFF/A5-1(MNG)51/2018-FC dated:18.01.2021  
3)MOEF&CC Letter No 8-21/2020-FC dated: 23.12.2020

Online Proposal No.: FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019

With reference to the subject & reference cited above, we are herewith submitting the following point wise reply to shortcoming to your letter Cited No.1 for your kind perusal

SI No	Shortcomings	compliance
I(a)	Previous lessee was having valid lease for the period from 21.07.1992 to 20.07.2012. The State Government has not clarified the status of FC approval during the said period along with relevant documents. A detail chronology shall be submitted.	<p>In replying to this point, we wish to draw your kind attention to Page Number: 2 of the DCF Bellary letter No: M1/MNG/MSPL/M.1.2148/2019-20/14 dated 21.03.2020 where in which the detail Chronology is stipulated and the same is re-produced below:</p> <p>"The Mining lease was sanctioned under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide Government of India letter No vide 8-5/2003-FC dated 07/08-07-2013 and Government of Karnataka vide order No FEE 26, FFM-2003 dated 16.08.2003 over an area of 41.16 hectare in S.M. Block, Sandur taluk for the period of 20 years co-terminus with the lease granted under MMDR Act, 1957 i.e. up to 20.07.2012 in favor of M/s. H.G Rangangouda. M.L. No. 2148.</p> <p>Further. M/s HG Rangangouda ML. No 2148 has obtained Forest clearance for additional area of 23.75 ha (19.55 ha for mining and dumping and 4.20 approach road) vide Government of India letter No 4-KRC-246/2006-BAN dated 05. 10.2006 and 07.12 2006 and Government of Karnataka order No FEE-82, FFM-2006, Bangalore dated 19.12.2006) and also 3.30 hectares of additional forest land sanctioned under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide Government of India Letter No. Vide 8-5/2003FC dated: 05.02.2007 and</p>



		<p>Government of Karnataka Vide Order No. FEE-191/FFM-2006 dated: 22.03.2007. Therefore, the total area sanctioned was 68.21 Ha (64.01 Ha for Mining &amp; dumping and 4.20 Ha for approach road).</p> <p>As per the Directions and orders by the Honorable Supreme Court in: W.P. 562/2009 CEC has carried out joint survey and digitization of the lease area of ML. No. 2148 and had arrived the extent of the mining lease area as 60.66 hectares only.</p> <p>Subsequently, the same Mining Lease was cancelled as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court order. Accordingly, the mining lease area has been e-auctioned by the Department of Mines &amp; Geology as per the direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide its order dated: 18.04.2013. The M/s. MSPL Limited Hospet has been declared as successful bidder of M.L.No.2148 (C-category mine) through e-auction over an extent of 60.66 ha. Further, the Commissioner, Department of Mines &amp; Geology, Bangalore and has issued Letter of Intent for an extent of 60.66 hectares. (Source: We are submitting the copy of the said DCF letter dated 21.03.2020 which is part of our stage-I FC clearance recommendation proposal submitted to you by The Government of Karnataka. <b>enclosed annexure -1</b>)</p>
I (b)	<i>This information has not been provided by the user agency in Part I (B-1) of the Proposal.</i>	<p>The Director, Department of mines and geology, had issued a notification and notice inviting tender dated 30.01.2018 for grant of mining lease for Sri. H G Rangangouda, M L No: 2148.</p> <p>M/s MSPL Limited has participated in the e-bidding for the Mining Lease No 2148 conducted by Government of Karnataka as per the Mineral (Auction) Rules 2015 and after completing the bidding process Department of Mines &amp; Geology, Govt. of Karnataka declared MSPL Limited as qualified bidder for the Mining Lease No 2148. As explained above the e auction was conducted by The Government of Karnataka in accordance with Mineral (auction) Rules, 2015.</p> <p>Hence, the information of the <b>previous lessee and list of proposal submitted in the past couldn't be submitted in Part 1(B-1)</b> as we are not holding the mining lease prior to this e auction by the state Government. The Mining Lease No 2148 was allotted to MSPL Limited as qualified bidder vide LOI No: DMG/MLS/AUC/C-</p>

		2148/2018-19/2990 dated 06.10. 2018. Accordingly MSPL Limited applied for Stage-1 FC clearance to Forest and department Government of Karnataka which is recommended and submitted by the Government of Karnataka to the MoEF, Government of India, New Delhi. However, we have reproduced the status of FC approval of erstwhile lessee provided by DCF, Bellary in above point in chronological order in detail.
(II)	<i>The state government shall submit the approval details and status of compliance with respect to the forest area diverted in favor of previous lessees.</i>	<p>As explained above The Director, Department of mines and geology, had issued a notification and notice inviting tender dated 30.01.2018 for grant of mining lease for Sri. H G Rangangouda, M L No: 2148.</p> <p>M/s MSPL Limited has participated in the e-bidding for the Mining Lease No 2148 conducted by Government of Karnataka as per the Mineral (Auction) Rules 2015 and after completing the bidding process Department of Mines &amp; Geology, Govt. of Karnataka declared MSPL Limited as qualified bidder for the Mining Lease No 2148. As explained above the e auction was conducted by The Government of Karnataka in accordance with Mineral (auction) Rules, 2015.</p> <p>In accordance with Supreme Court directions. As we have applied for Fresh FC, Submission of status of Compliance with respect to the forest area diverted in favor of previous lessees is not applicable to us i.e. User agency.</p>
(III)	<i>As per the DSS analysis report it is learnt through time series satellite imagery available on the google earth that the non-forestry activity has been done outside the lease boundary and the area of Non- Forestry activity outside lease had continuously increased during the period 28.10.2003 to 20.12.2012. Moreover, as per the DSS, the Legal status of the land</i>	<p>The extent of this mining block was 60.70 ha when originally granted on 21-07-1992 to M/s H.G. Rangangouda. The lease was valid up to 20-07-2012. The lease has been worked for nearly 19 years, Further the mining activities remained suspended due to Blanket Ban of mining in Karnataka by the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court by order dated 29.07.2011 imposed complete ban on mining operations and transportation in the areas of Ballari, Chitradurga and Tumkur districts, Karnataka.</p> <p>This mine was classified under 'C'- Category, by the Joint Team of CEC. The area under lease deed is 60.70 ha and after digitizing, it is 60.66 Ha. As per the recommendations of CEC Joint Survey Team, an area of 21.65 Ha has been identified as encroachment area, comprising of mine pit (5.61 Ha), OB dumps (10.97 Ha), roads (0.43 Ha and others (4.64 Ha)</p>



	<p>where the Non-forestry activity outside lease was done in the past is a reserved forest land (RF) named Kumarswamy Betta RF prima facie the matter appears to be violations of the FCA-1980 and details of actions initiated in this regard by concerned authorities need submission.</p>	<p>On the basis of classification of mines Hon'ble Supreme Court has ordered vide order dated 18.04.2013 for e auctioning the "C" category mines. Accordingly, MSPL Limited has participated in the e auction and qualified as the successful bidder. The clause 9 (A), Sub Clause 9 in page 6, of the Government of India order No:CG-DL-E-21032020-218835 dated 20.03.2020 stipulates as follows "No authority shall reject grant of any rights, approvals, clearances, licenses and the like to the New lessees on account of past violations or old outstanding dues of previous lessee which may be agitated before appropriate forum separately without prejudice to any rightful legal claim of the parties "</p> <p>Therefore, MSPL Limited being the fresh lessee by virtue of getting the mining lease in e auction as successful bidder has applied for fresh 1<sup>st</sup> stage FC clearance and the issue related to the previous lessees may not have any relevance or bearing for granting the fresh 1<sup>st</sup> stage FC to the fresh lessees. (i.e. MSPL Limited).</p>
(IV).	<p>Issue of encroachment outside the lease area having extent 21.62Ha as reported by DFO in Part II, details shall be submitted with action taken in the matter.</p>	<p>As per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W. p No.562/2009, the central empowered committee conducted by Joint survey of the M/s H.G. Ranganagouda, M L no:2148 Confirmed the encroachments outside the lease area having extent 21.62Ha . In respect of encroachments done outside the lease area of 21.62 Ha, Forest Offence case have been booked against M/s H.G Rangangouda for the illegalities vide FOC NO.09/2014-15dated;19.11.2014, the investigation is going on by the investigation officer i.e Range Forest Officer, Sandur South Range, Sandur and charge sheet is yet to be filed. The clause 9 (A), Sub Clause 9 in page 6, of the Government of India order No:CG-DL-E-21032020-218835 dated 20.03.2020 stipulates as follows</p> <p>"No authority shall reject grant of any rights, approvals, clearances, licenses and the like to the New lessees on account of past violations or old outstanding dues of previous lessee which may be agitated before appropriate forum separately without prejudice to any rightful legal claim of the parties.</p> <p>Therefore, MSPL Limited being the fresh lessee by virtue of getting the mining lease in e auction as successful bidder has applied for fresh 1<sup>st</sup> stage FC clearance and the issue related to the previous lessees may not have any relevance or bearing for granting the fresh 1<sup>st</sup> stage FC to the fresh lessees. (i.e MSPL Limited).</p>

V	<i>It has been reported that the proposed area for diversion has steep slope and thus prone to soil erosion. The State Government shall submit its comments and if necessary a proposal to address the possible impact caused due to the proposed activity.</i>	As per the Honorable Supreme Court Directions. The R & R plan was prepared by ICFRE along with the domain experts and representatives of M/s MSPL Limited on 24.06.2019, and approved by CEC as per the guidelines approved by Hon'ble Supreme Court and based on their prescriptions, the measures were taken up before start of mining operations as per the Court order. The R&R plan prescriptions are construction of Engineering measures such as Toe walls, Garland drains, Stone masonry check dam, Loose Boulder check dam, Gabion Check dam, Log wood check dams, Brush wood check dam & Silt Settling tanks to prevent the soils erosion and taking care surface water management. All the proposed works outside the lease will be completed before starting of mining operations and the works connected to inside the lease will be implemented by the fresh lessee i.e. MSPL Limited as per the time frame given in R&R plan. We also undertake that works advised by forest department will be carried on field. (Attached undertaking)
VI	It has been mentioned online that there is no requirement of Environmental Clearance. The state government shall provide comments regarding non-applicability of environmental clearance in the instant mining proposal.	Environmental Clearance granted to the erstwhile lease vide MoEF & CC letter Nos J-11015/333/2005-IA, II (M) dated 23.12.2005 and J-11015/40/2007-IA, II(M) dated: 14.03.2008 (for expansion of Production capacity from 1.50 to 5MTPA) has now been transferred in favor of MSPL Limited vide letter No: SEIAA 8 MISC-2019 dated: 13.05.2019. Therefore, MSPL Limited is holding a valid EC in the name of MSPL Limited for the said lease No: 2148 for which the 1 <sup>st</sup> stage FC clearance was sought. (copy of the valid EC is attached)
VII	approved copy of the land use plan and Mining Plan shall be submitted	Hard copy of Land use Plan and Mining Plan has been submitted to DCF online and the same is available in our online portal. However, the copy of Land use plan and letter for approval of mining plan is also enclosed as (Annexure II & III respectively).

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M/s. H.G. Rangangouda  
Government of India  
Ministry of Environment and Fore  
F.C. Division

ANNEXURE - ③

ML No. 2148

41.16 Ha. (C)

Paryavaran Bhawan,  
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,  
New Delhi - 110 003.  
Dated: 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2003.

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests)  
Govt. of Karnataka  
Bangalore

Sub: Renewal of mining lease No. 2148 in favour of M/s H.G. Rangangoud over 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land in district Bellary, Karnataka.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. FEE 26 FFM 2002 dated 19-12-2002 on the subject mentioned above seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that the proposal has been examined by the Advisory Committee constituted by the Central Government under Section 3 of the aforesaid Act.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government and on the basis of the recommendation of the above mentioned Advisory Committee, the Central Government hereby conveys its approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for renewal of mining lease No. 2148 in favour of M/s H.G. Rangangoud over 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land in district Bellary, Karnataka, subject to fulfillment of following conditions:

1. Legal status of the forest shall remain unchanged.
2. RCC pillars of 4 feet height shall be erected by the User Agency to demarcate the area at the project cost and the pillars will be marked with forward and back bearing.
3. The User Agency shall maintain Safety Zone already created over equivalent degraded forest land and will also maintain the plantation done over an area one and half times in extent of the safety zone at the project cost.
4. The User Agency will reclaim the area concurrent to mining at the project cost.
5. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and with prior permission of the State Forest Department.
6. No new construction activity shall be allowed on a forest land.
7. No labour camps shall be established on the forest land.
8. Sufficient firewood shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers at the project cost after purchase from the State Forest Department/Forest Development Corporation.
9. The User Agency shall ensure that there should be no damage to the available wildlife.
10. The approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
11. The lease period for 20 years shall be co-terminus with the lease granted under MMRD Act, 1957.

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12. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
  13. Inspector General of Forests and a member of FAC shall visit the site to look into the feasibility if any other condition like imposition of additional compensatory afforestation etc. is required.
  14. Any other condition that the State Government as well as CCF (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore, may impose from time to time for the protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area.

Yours faithfully

(ANURAG BAJPAI)  
Asstt. Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. The Nodal Officer, Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
3. CCF(Central), Regional Office, Bangalore.
4. RO(HQ.), New Delhi.
5. User Agency.
6. PA to IGF/FC
7. Guard File.

(ANURAG BAJPAI)  
Asstt. Inspector General of Forests



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

SUB: Renewal of mining lease No.2148 in favour of  
M/s H.G. Ranganagouda, Hospet for iron ore  
mines over an area of 41.16 ha. of forest land in  
Swamymalai Block of Sandur Range, Bellary District.

READ: 1) Letter No.A5(B1)MNG.CR.9/2001-02 dated 13/3/2002 of  
the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Bangalore.  
2) State Government letter of even number dated 19-12-2002.  
3) Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests,  
New Delhi, letter No.2-1/99-FC dated 05-02-2003 and  
No.8-5/2003-FC dated: 7/8<sup>th</sup> July 2003.

PREAMBLE:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Bangalore had sent  
proposal vide his letter dated 13/3/2002 read at (1) above for renewal of  
mining lease No.2148 in favour of M/s H.G.Ranganagouda, Hospet for iron  
ore mines over an area of 41.16 ha. of forest land in Swamymalai Block of  
Sandur Taluk, Bellary District under section-2 of Forest(Conservation) Act,  
1980 for a period of twenty years subject to certain conditions.

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The proposal of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests was  
recommended to Government of India, Ministry of Environment and  
Forests, New Delhi vide letter of even number dated 19-12-2002 read at (2)  
above and its approval was sought under section-2 of Forest (Conservation)  
Act, 1980 for the renewal of mining lease No.2148 and grant of temporary  
working permission in favour of M/s H.G.Ranganagouda, Hospet.

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The Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, New  
Delhi vide its letter dated 05-02-2003 read at (3) above after considering all  
the facts of the proposal have accorded temporary working permission for  
six months with effect from 05-02-2003 subject to the conditions that no  
new area shall be broken up and all environmental safeguards shall be  
adhered to.

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Thereafter, Government of India, Ministry of Environment and  
Forests, New Delhi vide its letter dated 7/8<sup>th</sup> July 2003 read at (3) above

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after careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government on the basis of the recommendation of the Advisory Committee, the Central Government has conveyed its approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for renewal of mining lease No.2148 in favour of M/s H.G.Ranganagoud, Hospet for Iron Ore Mines over 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land in district Bellary subject to fulfillment of certain conditions. Hence, this order.

GOVERNMENT ORDER NO.FEE 26 FEM 2003  
BANGALORE, DATED:16<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2003

After examining all aspect of the matter and inview of the approval accorded to the proposal by the Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi, Government are pleased to accord its approval under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for renewal of mining lease No.2148 in favour of M/s H.G.Ranganagoud, Hospet for Iron Ore Mines over 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land in Swamymalai Block of Sandur Range, Bellary District subject to the following conditions:-

1. Legal status of the forest shall remain unchanged.
2. RCC pillars of 4 feet height shall be erected by the User Agency to demarcate the area at the project cost and the pillars will be marked with forward and back bearing.
3. The User agency shall maintain Safety Zone already created over equivalent degraded forest land and will also maintain the plantation done over an area one and half times in extent of the safety zone at the project cost.
4. The User Agency will reclaim the area concurrent to mining at the project cost.
5. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and by prior permission of the State Forest Department.
6. No new construction activity shall be allowed on a forest land.
7. No labour camps shall be established on the forest land.
8. Sufficient firewood shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers at the project cost after purchase from the State Forest Department/Forest Department Corporation.
9. The User Agency shall ensure that there should be no damage to the available wildlife.



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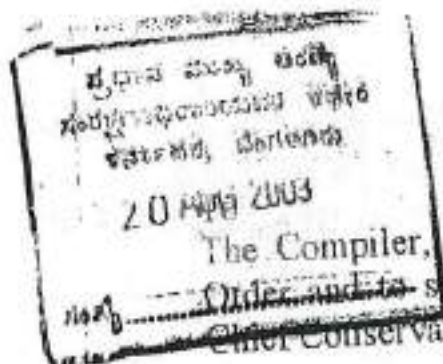
10. The approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- ✓ 11. The lease period for 20 years shall be co-terminus with the lease granted under MMRD Act, 1957.
12. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
13. Inspector General of Forests and a member of FAC shall visit the site to look into the feasibility if any other condition like imposition of additional compensatory afforestation etc. is required.
14. Any other condition that the State Government as well as CCF (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore, and PCCF may impose from time to time for the protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area.
- ✓ 15. The lessee shall pay usual lease rent and supervision charges as prescribed by the Govt. from time to time.
- ✓ 16. The lessee shall deposit the amount at prevailing rate towards raising of compensatory afforestation if the Govt. of India, MOEF stipulates the same.
17. The lessee shall open a firewood depot to supply firewood to the employees and labourers at the subsidized rates and the quantity to be prescribed by the Deputy Conservator of Forests concerned.
18. The lessee shall undertake the afforestation measures to vacant area of the leased.
19. The lessee shall carry out soil and water conservation measures and other necessary measures as advised by the Forest Dept.
- ✓ 20. The lessee shall undertake to protect rigidly the leased area and forest area surrounding the area up to one Km. From the leased area.
21. The lessee shall not cut any trees without prior permission of the Forest Dept. and all produce of permitted fellings shall be handed over to Forest Dept. under cover of receipt.
22. The lessee shall abide by all the conditions prescribed by Govt. of India and Govt. of Karnataka.
- ✓ 23. The lessee shall execute an agreement with the Forest Dept. binding himself to abide by all usual conditions and terms as per orders of the Govt. as well as Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

24. The lessee shall take-up the planting work on the static dumps during the advance mining operations.
25. In case of violation of agreement conditions Forest Dept. shall have right to suspend the mining activities.

BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE  
GOVERNOR OF KARNATAKA

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(S.R. VATSALA) 16.5.2023

Under Secretary to Government,  
Forest, Ecology and Environment Department.



Copy to:

1. Accountant General (Audit and Accounts), Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, C.G.O. Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
3. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Southern Zone, Kendriya Sadana, II Block, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, C & F Wing, 17<sup>th</sup> Main Koramangala, Bangalore.
4. The Principal Secretary to Government, Commerce and Industries Department.
5. The Secretary to Government, Commerce and Industries Department, Bangalore.
6. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Aranya Bhava Bangalore.
7. The Director, Mines and Geology Department, Bangalore.
8. The Chairman, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Bangalore.
9. The Conservator of Forests, Bellary Circle, Bellary.
10. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bellary Division, Bellary.
11. The Deputy Commissioner, Bellary District Bellary.





भारत सरकार  
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Regional Office (Southern Zone)  
Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main Road,  
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No.4-KRC246/2006-BAN/  
Dated the 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2006

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 23.75 ha. of forest land (19.55 ha. for mining & dumping, and 4.20 ha. for approach road) in Dharmapura village, S.M. Block, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District for grant of mining lease in favour of Sri. H.G. Rangan Gowda, Hospet.

Sir,  
Kindly refer to the State Government's letter No.FEE/ 82 FFM 2006 dated 11.07.2006 & 23.08.2006 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 to the project was accorded vide letter of even number dated 05.10.2006. The State Government vide letter No.FEE 82 FFM 2006 dated 28.11.2006 have reported compliance on the conditions stipulated by the Central Government in the in-principle 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 23.75 ha. (19.55 ha. for mining & dumping, and 4.20 ha. for approach road) in Dharmapura village, SM Block, Sandur taluk, Bellary District for grant of mining lease for iron ore mines, in favour of H.G. Rangan Gowda, Hospet, subject to the following conditions:-

1. The legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. The demarcation of mining lease area will be done on the ground at project cost using four feet high reinforced concrete pillars, with serial numbers, forward and back bearings & distance from pillar to pillar recorded on the pillars. GPS readings for the mine area shall be taken and recorded by the Forest Department.
3. Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised over 23.75 ha. of identified non-forest land in Sy.No.116, 562, 563 & 554 of Chikkakereyaginahalli Village of Sandur Taluk at the cost of user agency. The State Government shall obtain prior permission of Central Government for change of location and schedule of CA, if any.
4. Non-forest land for compensatory afforestation shall be notified by the State Government as RF/PF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest A

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within a period of 6 months and Nodal Officer (FC) shall report the compliance within 6 months.

5. The State Government 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, at the project cost.
6. The period of lease under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 will be for a maximum period of 20 years co-terminus with the lease granted under MMRD Act, 1957.
7. No new construction of building for any purpose will be taken up in the forest area diverted for the project.
8. The funds received from the user agency towards NPV & CA under this project shall be transferred to Ad-hoc CAMPA in account number CA 1582 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003 with an intimation to this office.
9. The mining activity in the forest area shall be carried out as per the approved mining plan from the IBM.
10. The approval under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable. The conditions of approval under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 shall be meticulously adhered to.
11. 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.
12. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and under the supervision of the State Forest Department.
13. No labour camps shall be established on the leased/diverted forest land.
14. The user agency will make arrangement for free supply of either fuelwood, or any alternative energy source such as kerosene, LPG, etc. to the labourers and staff working on the project site, so as to avoid any pressure on the adjacent forest areas.
15. The user agency shall prepare an integrated five year comprehensive plan for afforestation, reclamation and soil and water conservation in the diverted area. The activities in the plan will be phased yearwise, with adequate



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financial allocation. The necessary funds for implementation shall be recovered from the user agency.


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.
18. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 23.75 ha.

Yours faithfully,

(SOBHANA K.S. RAO)  
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.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, Malleswaram, Bangalore-3.
3. The Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officer, Forest Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Aranya Bhavan, Malleswaram, Bangalore-3.
4. Sri H.G. Rangan Gowda, Mine Owner, No.15/142, Nehru Colony, Hospet, Bellary District.
5. Guard file.

  
07.12.2006  
(SOBHANA K.S. RAO)  
DEPUTY CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (CENTRAL)





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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

Sub: Diversion of 23.75 ha. of forest land (19.55 ha. for mining & dumping, and 4.20 ha. for approach road) in Dharmapura Village, S.M.Block, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District for grant of mining lease in favour of Sri. H.G.Rangan Gowda, Hospet.

- READ:1) Letter No. A5 (1) MNG.CR.68/90-91(HGR), dated:20-06-2006 and 28-11-2006 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Bangalore.  
2) State Government letter No.FEE 82 FFM 2006, dated 11-07-2006 and 28-11-2006.  
3) Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests, Regional Office, South Zone, Bangalore letter No.4-KRC246/2006-BAN dated: 05-10-2006 and 07-12-2006.

PREAMBLE:-

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests had sent proposal vide his letter dated: 20-06-2006 read at (1) above for diversion of 23.75 ha.(19.55 ha. for mining and dumping and 4.20 ha. for approach road) in Dharmapura Village, S.M.Block, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District for grant of mining lease for iron ore mines in favour of Sri. H.G.Rangan Gowda, Hospet, Bellary District subject to certain conditions.

The proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest was recommended to Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Regional Office, South Zone, Bangalore vide Government letter dated :11-07-2006 read at (2) above seeking prior approval of Government of India under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, Government of India vide its letter dated:05-10-2006 read at (3) above has agreed in-principle subject to the fulfillment of certain conditions.

In compliance of the conditions stipulated by Government of India vide its letter dated:05-10-2006, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests vide his letter dated:28-11-2006 read at (1) above has sent his compliance report. This compliance report was forwarded to Government of India vide State Government letter dated: 28-11-2006 read at (2) above.

Finally Government of India vide its letter dated: 07-12-2006 read at (3) above has conveyed its general approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of 23.75 ha.(19.55 ha. for mining and dumping and 4.20 ha. for approach road) in Dharmapura Village, S.M.Block, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District for grant of mining lease for iron

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ore mines in favour of Sri. H.G.Rangan Gowda, Hospet, Bellary District subject to certain conditions. Hence the order.

GOVT. ORDER NO-FEE 82 FFM 2006, BANGALORE,  
DATED: 19/12/2006

After examining all aspects of the matter and in view of the approval accorded to the proposal by Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, Regional Office(South Zone),Bangalore, Government are pleased to accord its approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion 23.75 ha.(19.55 ha. for mining and dumping and 4.20 ha. for approach road) in Dharnapura Village, S.M.Block, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District for grant of mining lease for iron ore mines in favour of Sri. H.G.Rangan Gowda, Hospet, Bellary District subject to the following conditions.

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4. Non-forest land for CA shall be notified by the State Government as RF/PF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act within a period of 6 months and Nodal Officer(FC) shall report the compliance within 6 months.
5. The State Government 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, at the project cost.
6. The period of lease under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 will be for 20 years co-terminus with the lease granted under MMRD 1957.
7. No new construction of building for any purpose will be taken up in the forest area diverted for the project.
8. The funds received from the user agency towards CA, lease rent and NPV under this project shall be transferred to Ad-hoc CAMPA in account number CA 1582 of Corporation Bank, Block-II, CGO Complex, Phase-I, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110 003 under intimation to Central Government.
9. The mining activity in the forest area shall be carried out as per the approved mining plan from the IBM.
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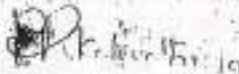


11. The consent of State Pollution Control Board shall be obtained under Air and Water Act before the commencement of mining operation and it shall be renewed every year.
12. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and in the supervision of State Forest Department.
13. No labour camps shall be established on the leased/diverted forest land.
14. The user agency will make arrangement for free supply of either fuelwood, or any alternative energy source such as kerosene, LPG, etc, to the labourers and staff working on the project site, so as to avoid any pressure on the adjacent forest areas.
15. The user agency shall prepare an integrated five year comprehensive plan for afforestation, reclamation and soil and water conservation in the diverted area. The activities in the plan will be phased year wise with adequate financial allocation. The necessary funds for implementation shall be recovered from the user agency.
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.
18. The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 23.75 ha.
19. The lessee shall pay usual lease rent and other charges as prescribed by the Govt. from time to time.
20. The lessee shall open a firewood depot to supply firewood to the employees and labourers at the subsidized rates and the quantity to be prescribed by the Deputy Conservator of Forests concerned.
21. The lessee shall undertake the afforestation measures in the vacant area of the lease.
22. The lessee shall carryout soil and water conservation measures and other necessary measures as advised by the Forest Department from time to time.
23. The lessee shall undertake to protect rigidly the leased area and forest area surrounding the area up to one Km. from the leased area.
24. The lessee shall not cut any trees without prior permission of the Forest Department and all produce of permitted felling shall be handed over to Forest Department under cover of receipt.
25. The lessee shall abide by all the conditions prescribed by Govt. of India and Govt. of Karnataka.
26. The lessee shall execute an agreement with the Forest Dept. binding himself to abide by all usual conditions and terms as per orders of the Govt. as well as Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.
27. The lessee shall take-up the planting work on the static dumps during the advance mining operations.
28. In case of violation of agreement conditions, the State Government (Department of Forests, Ecology and Environment) shall have right to suspend the mining activities.

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29. The lessee shall reclaim the area 23.75 ha. before handing over to Forest Department.
30. Lessee has to pay extraction cost to Forest Department for felling of trees in the fresh leased area.
31. The lessee has to pay all the dues against him before the end of lease period including reclamation and rehabilitation charges.
32. The lessee has to pay the Net Present Value (NPV) fixed by the Govt. Notification No.FEE 247 FGL 2002 dated 17/01/2004.
33. The user agency shall submit the reclamation and rehabilitation plan after in principal approval, if not submitted so with a undertaking that amount fixed by Forest Department/Director, Dept. of Mines and Geology/IBM shall be deposited to Forest Department on demand. Review for rehabilitation and reclamation will be carried out on 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> year and if found unsatisfactory then the permission granted under Forest(Conservation) Act 1980 will be revoked by the Government of Karnataka.
21. Any other condition that the State Government or the Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore may impose from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests.

By order and in the name of the  
Governor of Karnataka,

  
(P.R. KALAVATHI)

Under Secretary to Govt.

Forests, Ecology and Environment Department.

To

The Compiler, State Gazettee with a request to publish the Government Order and to send 50 copies to the Government and also the principal Chief Conservator of Forests and others.

Copy to:

1. Accountant General (Audit and Accounts), Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
3. The Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, South Zone, Kendriya Sadana, II Block, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, E & F Wing, 17<sup>th</sup> Main, Koramangala, Bangalore.
4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Aranya Bhavan, Bangalore
5. The Conservator of Forests/Nodal Officers Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Aranya Bhavan, Bangalore.
6. Conservator of Forests, Bellary Circle, Bellary.
7. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bellary Division, Bellary.
8. Shri H.G. Rangan Goud, Hospet, Bellary District.
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Paryavaran Bhawan,  
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,  
New Delhi - 110003.  
Dated: 05<sup>th</sup> February 2007.

To

Principal Secretary to Government,  
Forest, Ecology and Environment Department,  
Karnataka Government Secretariat,  
M.S. Building,  
Bangalore.

(3)

Sub: Diversion of additional 3.30 ha of forest land for dumping of waste material in respect of already approved proposal (for diversion of 41.16 ha of already broken-up forest land) for Mining Lease No. 2148 in favour of H.G. Rangan Goud in Bellary district of Karnataka (totalling to 41.16 ha + 3.30 ha = 44.46 ha).

Sir,

Kindly refer to the State Government's letter No. FEE 34 FFM 2001 dated 24.09.2005 on the subject mentioned above in respect of Mining Lease No. 2148 in favour of H.G. Rangan Goud in Bellary district of Karnataka, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of additional 3.30 ha of forest land. 41.16 ha of already broken up forest land was diverted by the Central Government under the said Act vide this Ministry's letter of even number dated 08.07.2003 for a period of 20 (twenty) years to be co-terminus with the lease granted under MMDR Act, 1957. After careful consideration of the proposal by the Forest Advisory Committee constituted under Section-3 of the said Act, in-principle approval for diversion of additional 3.30 ha of forest land was granted vide this Ministry's letter of even number dated 29.06.2006 subject to fulfilment of certain conditions. The State Government has furnished compliance report in respect of the conditions stipulated in the in-principle approval, and has requested the Central Government to grant final approval.

In this connection, I am directed to say that on the basis of the compliance report furnished by the State Government vide letter No. FEE 191 FFM dated 28.11.2006, approval of the Central Government is hereby granted under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of additional 3.30 ha of forest land for dumping of waste material, alongwith the revised land-use plan, in respect of already approved proposal (for diversion of 41.16 ha of already broken-up forest land) for Mining Lease No. 2148 in favour of H.G. Rangan Goud in Bellary district of Karnataka (totalling to 41.16 ha + 3.30 ha = 44.46 ha). The approval is subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Compensatory Afforestation over 3.30 ha of non-forest land shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department at the project cost.

3. Penal Compensatory Afforestation over 6.60 of degraded forest land shall be ~~be~~ <sup>is</sup> and maintained by the State Forest Department at the project cost.
4. RCC pillars of 4 feet height shall be erected by the User Agency to demarcate the area at the project cost, and the pillars will be marked with forward and back bearing.
5. The User Agency shall maintain the Safety Zone already created, and will also maintain the plantation done over an area one and half times in extent of the safety zone at the project cost.
6. The User Agency will reclaim the area concurrent to mining at the project cost.
7. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary, and with prior permission of the State Forest Department.
8. No new construction activity shall be allowed on the diverted forest land.
9. No labour camps shall be established on the diverted forest land.
10. Sufficient firewood shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers at the project cost after purchase from the State Forest Department/Forest Development Corporation.
11. The User Agency shall ensure that there should be no damage to the available wildlife.
12. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the approval granted by this Ministry on 08.07.2003 for diversion of 41.16 ha already broken-up forest land for renewal of Mining Lease No. 2148 in favour of the User Agency.
13. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
14. Any other condition that the CCF (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore, may impose from time to time for protection and improvement of flora and fauna in the forest area, shall also be applicable.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Sandeep Kumar)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

1. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Karnataka, Bangalore.
2. Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore.
3. Nodal Officer, Office of the PCCF, Karnataka, Bangalore.
4. Shri H.G. Rangan Goud, C/o M/s Swamy Malai Iron Ore Mines, Nehru Co-operative Colony, Hospet, Bellary, Karnataka.
5. RO(HQ), MoEF, New Delhi.
6. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF, New Delhi.
7. Guard File.

(Sandeep Kumar)  
Assistant Inspector General of Forests



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Sub: Diversion of additional 3.30 ha. of forest land for dumping of waste materials in respect of already approved proposaol (for diversion of 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land) for Mining Lease No.2148 in favour of H.G.Rangan Goud in Bellary District of Karnataka (totaling of 41.16 ha+3.30 ha.=44.46 ha.)

- READ:1) Letter No. A5 (1) MNG.CR.68/90-91(HGR 3.30 ha.), dated:15-09-2005 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Bangalore.
- 2) State Government letter No.FEE 34 FFM 2001, dated 24-09-2005.
- 3) Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi letter No. 8-5/2003-FC, dated: 29<sup>th</sup> June 2006.
- 4) Letter No. A5 (1) MNG.CR.68/90-91(HGR 3.30 ha.), dated:28-11-2006 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Bangalore.
- 5) State Government letter No.FEE 191 FFM 2006, dated 28-11-2006.
- 6) Government of India Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi letter No. 8-5/2003-FC, dated: 5<sup>th</sup> February 2007.

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PREAMBLE:-

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests had sent proposal vide his letter dated: 15.09.2005 read at (1) above for diversion of additional 3.30 ha. of forest land for dumping of waste material, along with the revised land-use plan, in respect of already approved proposal ( for diversion of 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land) for Mining Lease No.2148 in favour of Sri. H.G.Rangan Gouda, Bellary District (totalling to 41.16 ha. + 3.30 ha.= 44.46 ha.) subject to certain conditions.

The proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest was recommended to Government of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi vide Government letter dated:24-09-2005 read at (2) above seeking prior approval of Government of India under section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

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After careful consideration of the proposal of the State Government, Government of India vide its letter dated: 29<sup>th</sup> June 2006 read at (3) above has agreed in-principle subject to the fulfillment of certain conditions.

In compliance of the conditions stipulated by Government of India vide its letter dated: 29<sup>th</sup> June 2006, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests vide his letter dated: 28-11-2006 read at (4) above has sent his compliance report. This compliance report was forwarded to Government of India vide State Government letter dated: 28-11-2006 read at (5) above.

Finally Government of India vide its letter dated: 5<sup>th</sup> February 2007 read at (6) above has conveyed its Stage-2 approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of additional 3.30 ha. of forest land for dumping of waste material, along with the revised land-use plan, in respect of already approved proposal ( for diversion of 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land) for Mining Lease No.2148 in favour of Sri. H.G.Rangan Gouda, Bellary District (totalling to 41.16 ha. + 3.30 ha. = 44.46 ha.) subject to certain conditions. Hence the order.

GOVT. ORDER NO:FEE 191 IFM 2006, BANGALORE.

DATED: 22/03/2007.

After examining all aspects of the matter and in view of the approval accorded to the proposal by Government of India, Ministry of Environment Forests, New Delhi, Government are pleased to accord its approval under Section 2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion additional 3.30 ha. of forest land for dumping of waste material, along with the revised land-use plan, in respect of already approved proposal ( for diversion of 41.16 ha. of already broken-up forest land) for Mining Lease No.2148 in favour of Sri. H.G.Rangan Gouda, Bellary District (totalling to 41.16 ha. + 3.30 ha. = 44.46 ha.) subject to the following conditions.

1. Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.
2. Compensatory Afforestation(CA) over 3.30 ha. of non-forest land shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department at the project cost.
3. Penal Compensatory Afforestation over 6.60 ha. of degraded forest land shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department at the project cost.
4. RCC pillars of 4 feet height shall be erected by the User Agency to demarcate the area at the project cost, and the pillars will be marked with forward and back bearing.
5. The user agency shall maintain the Safety Zone already created, and will also maintain the plantation done over an area one and half times in extent of the safety zone at the project cost.



6. The user agency will reclaim the area concurrent to mining at the project cost.
7. Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and in the supervision of State Forest Department.
8. No new construction activity shall be allowed on the diverted forest land.
9. No labour camps shall be established on the leased/diverted forest land.
10. Sufficient firewood shall be provided by the User Agency to the labourers at the project cost after purchase from the State Forest Department/Forest Development Corporation.
11. The user agency shall ensure that there should be no damage to the wildlife.
12. The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the approval granted by this Ministry on 08.07.2003 for diversion of 41.16 ha. already broken-up forest land for renewal of Mining Lease No.2148 in favour of the User Agency.
13. The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
14. The forest land (as scheduled is diverted for dumping purpose under Forest(Conservation)Act 1980 should be co-terminus with the lease period granted vide Government Order No.FEE 26 FFM 2002, Bangalore dated: 16.8.2003 of Government of Karnataka.
15. The lessee shall pay usual lease rent and other charges as prescribed by the Government from time to time.
16. The lessee shall deposit the amount at prevailing rate towards raising of compensatory afforestation and penal compensatory afforestation as applicable in this case.
17. The lessee shall deposit the Net Present Value(NPV) amount as per the demand raised by the Department.
18. The lessee shall undertake the afforestation measures in the vacant area of the lease.
19. The lessee shall carryout soil and water conservation measures and other necessary measures as advised by the Forest Department from time to time and put up a retaining wall to check further encroachment by slidy.
20. The lessee shall undertake to protect rigidly the leased area and forest area surrounding the area up to one Km. from the leased area.
21. The lessee shall not cut any trees without prior permission of the Forest Department and all produce of permitted felling shall be handed over to Forest Department under cover of receipt.
22. The lessee shall abide by all the conditions prescribed by Govt. of India and Govt. of Karnataka.
23. The lessee shall execute an agreement with the Forest Dept. binding himself to abide by all usual conditions and terms as per orders of the Govt. as well as Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

24. The lessee shall take-up the planting work on the static dumps during the advance mining operations.
25. In case of violation of agreement conditions, the State Government (Department of Forests, Ecology and Environment) shall have right to suspend the mining activities.
26. The lessee shall reclaim the area 3.30 ha. before handing over to Forest Department.
27. The period of diversion as per conditions one above will be ended with the lease period granted by the Forest Department for the lease No.2148.
28. The user agency shall submit the reclamation and rehabilitation plan after in-principal approval.
29. Any other condition that the State Government or the Chief Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bangalore may impose from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests.

By order and in the name of the  
Governor of Karnataka,

  
(P.R. KALAVATHI)

Under Secretary to Govt.

Forests, Ecology and Environment Department.

To

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6. Conservator of Forests, Bellary Circle, Bellary.
7. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bellary Division, Bellary.
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**Compliance report to conditions stipulated in Stage-II approval by Government of India vide order No. 8-5/2003-FC Dt.07/08.07.2003 over an extent of 41.16 hectare.**

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1	Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.	Legal status of forest land has remained unchanged.
2	RCC pillars of 4 feel height shall be erected by the User Agency to demarcate the area at the project cost, and the pillars will be marked with forward and back bearing.	Not complied.
3	The user agency shall maintain the Safety Zone already created, and will also maintain the plantation done over an area one and half time in extent of the safety zone at the project cost.	Not Complied
4	The user agency will reclaim the area concurrent to mining at the project cost.	Not Complied
5	Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and in the supervision of State Forest Department.	No information available either with Department or User Agency.
6	No new construction activity shall be allowed on the diverted forest land.	No construction activities has been taken in the leased Forest land
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 Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
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15	The lessee shall pay usual lease rent and other charges as prescribed by the Government from time to time.	The User Agency has remitted the Lease rent and Supervision charges up to 2010-11.															
16	The lessee shall deposit the amount at prevailing rate towards raising of compensatory afforestation. If the Govt of India MoEF stipulates the same.	The User Agency has remitted of Rs. 22,22,640/- (@Rs.54200/- per ha) vide DD No. 842871 Dt.03.10.2006 as Compensatory Afforestation (CA). (Annexure-B)															
17	The lessee shall open a firewood depot to supply firewood to the employees and laborers at the subsidized rates any the quantity to be prescribed by the Deputy Conservator of Forests concerned.	No labour camps established on the leased / diverted forest land. No firewood Depot was opened.															
18	The lessee shall undertake the afforestation measures in the vacant area of the leased.	Not complied															
19	The lessee shall carryout soil and water conservation measures and other necessary measures as advised by the Forest Department.	It is observed by the field officers that, the Previous lessee has taken necessary action to construct the Check-Dam, Gully plugs and water Garlands. Copy of the photographs are enclosed herewith as Annexure-C.															
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24	The lessee shall take-up the planting work on the static dumps due to the advance mining operation.	It is observed by the field officers that, the Previous lessee has taken planting work on the old static dumps. Copy of the photographs are enclosed herewith as <b>Annexure-D</b> .															
25	In case of violation of agreement conditions Forest Dept. shall have right to suspend the mining activities.	Because of the violations as observed by the CEC, the mine was categorized as C category Mine and its operations were suspended from 30.07.2011. Further, Forest Offence Case has been booked against M/s. H. G. Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) for the violations vide FOC No. 09/2014-15 Dt. 19/11/2014. Further, a charge-sheet has been filed in JMFC Court, Sandur vide CC No.96/2021 Dt.17.02.2021. Case is pending in JMFC Court, next hearing fixed on 02.11.2021.															

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Compliance report to conditions stipulated in Stage-II approval by Government of Karnataka vide order No.FEE 82 FFM 2006 Dt.19.12.2006 over an extent of 23.75 hectare.

Sl. No.	Condition	Compliance Report
1	Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged	Legal status of forest land has remained as Forest
2	The Demarcation of mining lease area will be done on the ground at project cost using four feet high reinforced concrete pillars, with small numbers, forward and back bearings and distance from pillar to pillar recorded on the pillars GPS readings for the mine area shall be taken and recorded by the Forest Department.	Not Complied.
3	Compensatory Afforestation (CA) shall be raised over 23.75 ha. Of identified non-forest land in Sy.No.116, 562, 563 and 554 of Chikkakereyaginahalli Village of Sandur Taluk at the cost of user agency. If there is any change location and schedule of CA. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests send the proposal to Government from obtaining approval of Central Government.	Not complied.
4	Non-forest land for CA shall be notified by the State Government as RF/PF under Indian Forest Act, 1927 or the State Forest Act within a period of 6 months and Nodal Officer(FC) shall report the compliance within 6 months.	Not complied. They had proposed land at Chikkakereyagenahalli Village Sy.No.116, 562, 563 & 554 which is yet to be ascertained and notified.
5	The State Government 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 at the project cost.	Not Complied.
6	The period of lease under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 will be for 20 years co-terminus with the lease granted under MMRD 1957.	The period of diversion is deemed to be co-terminus with the period of Mining lease under MMRD for 41.16 Ha of Forest Land. Thus, the period of validity for the said FC was till 20.07.2012.

7	No new construction of building for any purpose will be taken up in the forest area diverted for project.	No construction activities has been taken in the leased Forest land															
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14	The user agency will make arrangement for free supply of either firewood, or any alternative energy source such as kerosene, LPG, etc, to avoid any pressure on the adjacent forest areas.	No labour camps established on the lease / diverted forest land. No firewood Depot was opened.															
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26	The lessee execute an agreement with the Forest Department binding himself to abide by all usual conditions and terms as per orders of the Government as well as Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.	The User Agency had executed agreement with Forest Department on 01.11.2007. However, the terms of the agreement have been violated (Details as mentioned in Sl. No. 22).
27	The lessee shall take-up the planting work on the static dumps during the advance mining operations.	As per the report from the Range Forest Officer, Sandur South Range, Sandur, the lessee has taken planting work on the old static dumps. Copy of the photographs are enclosed herewith as <b>Annexure-D</b> .
28	In case of violation of agreement conditions, the State Government (Department of Forests, Ecology and Environment) shall have right to suspend the mining activities.	Because of the violations as observed by the CEC, the mine was categorized as C category Mine and its operation has been suspended since 2011. Further, Forest Offence Case has been booked against M/s. H. G. Ranganagouda (ML No. 2148) for the violations vide FOC No. 09/2014-15 Dt. 19/11/2014. Further, a charge-sheet has been filed in JMFC Court, Sandur vide CC No.96/2021 Dt.17.02.2021. Case is pending in JMFC Court, next hearing fixed on 02.11.2021.
29	The lessee shall reclaim the area 23.75 ha before handing over to Forest Department	Not Complied.
30	Lessee has to pay extraction cost to Forest Department for felling of trees in the fresh lease area	Complied
31	The lessee has to pay all the dues against him before the end of lease period including reclamation and rehabilitation charges.	Not Complied.
32	The lessee has to pay the Net Present Value (NPV) fixed by the Government Notification No. FEE 247 FGL 2002 Dt.17.01.2004.	The User Agency has remitted of Rs. 1,57,15,000/- vide DD No. 841276 Dt.03.11.2006 as Net Present Value (NPV).
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34	Any other condition that the State Government or the Conservator of Forests (Central), Regional Office, Bengaluru impose from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests.	Stabilization/Reclamation of unstable dump area that can cause greater loss to the ecosystem if not attended properly


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Compliance report to the conditions stipulated in Stage-II approval by Government of India vide order No. F.No.8-5/2003-FC Dt. 05.02.2007 over an extent of 3.30 hectare in favour of M/s. H.G.Ranganagouda, ML No.2148.

Sl. No.	Condition	Compliance Report
1	Legal status of forest land shall remain unchanged.	Legal status of forest land has remained unchanged
2	Compensatory Afforestation (CA) over 3.30 ha of non-forest land shall be raised and maintained by the State Forest Department at the project cost.	Not complied.
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4	RCC pillars of 4 feet height shall be erected by the User Agency to demarcate the area at the project cost, and the pillars will be marked with forward and back bearing.	Not Complied
5	The user agency shall maintain the Safety Zone already created, and will also maintain the plantation done over an area one and half time in extent of the safety zone at the project cost.	Not Complied
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7	Trees shall be felled only when it becomes necessary and in the supervision of State Forest Department.	No information available either with Department or User Agency.
8	No new construction activity shall be allowed on the diverted forest land.	No construction activities has been taken in the leased Forest land
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26	The lessee shall reclaim the area 3.30 ha before handing over to Forest Department.	The Lessee has not carried out any reclamation works after suspension of mining activities
27	The period of diversion as per conditions one above will be ended the lease period granted by the Forest Department for the ML No. 2148	The period of 20 years co-terminus with the lease granted under MMDR Act, 1957 ie. upto 20.07.2012.
28	The user agency shall submit the reclamation and rehabilitator after in-principal approval.	Not complied.  As per directions of the Government of Karnataka (vide Order No. FEE 78 FFM 2020(e) Bangalore, Dt. 07.10.2020), the undersigned has permitted the New User Agency (M/s.MSPL Limited) to implementation of R & R works at Narsimha Iron Ore Mine
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## CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC, SANDUR

ANNEXURE - ④

## Case Details

Case Type	: C.C. - CRIMINAL CASES		
Filing Number	: 96/2021	Filing Date:	20-02-2021
Registration Number	: 96/2021	Registration Date:	20-02-2021
CNR Number	: KABI60-000215-2021		

## Case Status

First Hearing Date	: 28th April 2021
Next Hearing Date	: 02nd November 2021
Case Stage	: FIRST HEARING/COGNIZANCE(CR)
Court Number and Judge	: 175-CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC SANDUR

## Petitioner and Advocate

1) SANDUR PS  
Advocate- APP

## Respondent and Advocate

1) MAHABASHA S/O IMAM SAB

## Acts

Under Act(s)	Under Section(s)
INDIAN PENAL CODE	279,337,304A,
MOTOR VEHICLES ACT	187,

## FIR Details

Police Station : SANDUR PS  
FIR Number : 127  
Year : 2020

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Registration Number	Judge	Business on Date	Hearing Date	Purpose of Hearing
96/2021	CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC SANDUR		12-07-2021	FIRST HEARING/COGNIZANCE(CR)
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# State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority-Karnataka

(Constituted by MoEF, Government of India, under section 3(3) of E(P) Act, 1986)

No. SEIAA 8 Misc 2019

Date:13.05.2019

## TRANSFER OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE

### Preamble:

Attention is invited to the Environmental Clearance granted by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India vide letter No. J-11015/40/2007-IA.II (M) dated 14.03.2008 regarding expansion of Swamymalai Iron ore (ML area 60.71 Ha) from 1.5 MTPA to 5.0 MTPA at village Dharmapur, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District to Shri H.G. Rangan Goud.

The Director of Department of Mines and Geology vide letter No. DMG/MLS/AUC/C-2148/2018-19/2990 dated 6.10.2018 have granted Letter of Intent to M/s MSPL Limited for grant of Mining Lease of "Sri H.G. Rangan Gouda, ML No. 2148" Block in Dharmapur village, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District over an extent of 60.66 Ha area of forest land through an e-auction process conducted to pursuant to the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition (C) No. 562 of 2009.

M/s MSPL Limited vide letter dated 11<sup>th</sup> February 2019 have requested for transfer the Environmental Clearance of Narasimha Iron Ore Mine vide ML No. 2148 (old name Swamymalai Iron ore) from the erstwhile lessee Shri H.G. Rangan Gouda in their favour.

The State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Karnataka have considered the request made by M/s MSPL Limited during the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 in the light of provision for "Transferability of Environmental Clearance (EC)" under para .11 of the Notification No. S.O. 1533(E) dated 14<sup>th</sup> September 2006 amended from time to time and noted the following:

- The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India vide Notification No. S.O. 3977 (E) dated 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018 have brought all mining leases of  $\leq 100$  ha of mining lease area in respect of non-coal mine lease under "B" category activity and hence are to be considered by the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority.
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In view of the above facts and circumstances, the Authority decided to transfer the Environmental Clearance issued vide E.C. letter No. J-11015/40/2007-IA.II (M) dated 14.03.2008 in favour of M/s MSPL Limited in accordance with law.

Hence the order.

### ORDER

Pursuant to the facts and circumstances traversed in the preamble, the Environmental Clearance issued in favour of Shri H.G. Rangan Goud, Housing Board Shopping Complex,






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4. The transferee shall undertake mining activity in accordance with the conditions of CEC, the tender document issued by the Department of Mines & Geology, the fulfillment of all the conditions of Letter of Intent and the mining plan duly approved by the competent authority.
5. The annual production and the extent of Mining lease area shall not exceed the limit fixed by the Central Empowered Committee or further orders issued by the CEC in this regard and strict compliance of other conditions of the Environmental Clearance, CEC guidelines and the R&R plan.
6. The transferee shall comply all orders, guidelines and additional conditions imposed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, CEC and others with regard to environment safety, R&R Plan, etc.



  
(Vijayakumar Gogi)  
Member Secretary,  
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To,

M/s MSPL Limited,  
Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road,  
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Copy to:

- (1) The Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi- 110003.
- (2) The Director, Department of Mines and Geology, Khanija Bhavan, Race course road, Bengaluru - 560 001.
- (3) The Member Secretary, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Bengaluru.
- (4) The APCCF, Regional Office, Ministry of Environment & Forests (SZ), Kendriya Sadan, IV Floor, E & F wings, 17<sup>th</sup> Main Road, Koramangala II Block, Bangalore-560 034.
- (5) Shri H.G. Rangan Goud, Housing Board Shopping Complex, Opp. Leelavathi Nilayam, Tilak Nagar, Contonment, Bellary - 583104.
- (6) Guard File.

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Ministry of Environment & Forests

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Dated: March 14, 2008

To

✓ Shri H.G. Rangan Goud,  
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Opp. Leelavathi Nilayam  
Tlek Nagar, Cantonment  
Bellary  
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Sub: Expansion of Swamymalai Iron Ore Mine (ML area 60.71 ha) from 1.5 MTPA to 5.0 MTPA at village Dharmapur, in Sandur Taluk, in Distt. Bellary, in Karnataka - reg. environmental clearance.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to your letter dated 11.01.2008, on the above mentioned subject. The Ministry of Environment and Forests has examined the application.

2. It has been noted that the proposal is for enhancement of production of iron ore from 1.5 MTPA to 5.0 MTPA. The lease area falls under Kumaraswamy Reserve Forest. The lease is presently granted for 41.16 ha, but is under process for increasing by 19.55 ha. The final lease area will be 60.71 ha after the said addition. Mining lease is surrounded by the Reserve Forest all around. Other Reserve Forests in the area are: Ramgad Reserve Forest and Bandri reserve Forest located at 2.0 km and 6.0 km respectively from the lease. Out of 60.71 ha, area under excavation will be only 41.55 ha. The mineable reserve is 120.0 MT. Life of the mine at proposed rate of production will be 25 years. Method of mining will be open cast mechanised. Crushing plant is located within the ML area. It is also noted that a closed conveyor belt for transportation of ROM will be installed within one year. The lease is located in hilly terrain with elevation ranging from 980 m RL to 870 m RL. The ground water table is at 30 m below the general ground level. Mining will not intersect ground water table. There are no surface water body and perennial stream in the core zone. Rain water drains through natural drains and reaches the Narhalla nallah located at about 1.8 km on the north of the lease, which finally drains into Oaraji Tank located in the north east of the Sandur Hills. About 30 MT of solid waste will be generated during the life of the mine. These will be dumped in an area of 14.0 ha and dump will be stabilised with thick vegetation. An area of 2.0 ha of lease area will be developed as Green Belt with thick vegetation of native species. Water requirement will be 250 m<sup>3</sup>/day, which will be met from ground water source as well as mine pit water. There are no wild life sanctuaries, national parks, biosphere reserves, heritage sites, tiger reserves within 10 km radius of the lease area. No relocation and rehabilitation of human habitation will be involved. Mining plan for 41.16 ha has been approved by Indian Bureau of Mines on 25.10.2006. Public Hearing was conducted on 08.11.2007. Cost of the project will be Rs (15.0) Crores.

3. Based on the information submitted by you, as at para 2 above, the Ministry of Environment and Forests hereby accords environmental clearance to the above project under the provisions of EIA Notification dated September 14, 2006, subject to the compliance of the following Specific and General conditions:

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## Specific conditions

- i) The project proponent shall not start mining activities until lease for the enhanced area has been granted and approval of the mining plan by the Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) for the composite area including the enhanced area is obtained and submitted to the Ministry.
- ii) The environmental clearance is subject to obtaining forest clearance under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of forest land for non-forest activity.
- iii) The environmental clearance is subject to obtaining clearance under Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, from the competent authority. Conservation plan for wildlife shall be prepared in consultation with the Chief Wild Life Warden for implementation within six months. Necessary fund for implementation of the same shall be separately allocated and shall not be diverted for any other activity.
- iv) The project proponent shall either put up pelletisation plant or dispose off low grade ores/fines to prospective buyers and ensure that zero waste mining concepts is implemented. Status of implementation shall be reported to the Regional office of the Ministry.
- v) Dust fall measurement (including particle size analysis) shall be periodically carried out in the work zone area and result / data submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry.
- vi) Particulate matter emission in the haulage area shall not exceed 4 kg/hr. Regular monitoring of haulage emissions shall be conducted and records maintained. Regular water sprinkling on the haulage shall be carried out and approach roads shall be asphalted.
- vii) Land-use pattern of the nearby villages shall be studied and action plan for abatement and compensation for damages to agricultural land / common property land (if applicable) due to mining activity shall be submitted to the Ministry within six months. Also annual status of implementation of the plan and expenditure thereon shall be submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry.
- viii) Need based assessment for the near by villages shall be conducted to study economic measures which can help in upliftment of poor section of society. Income generating projects/tools such as development of fodder farm, fruit bearing orchards, vocational training etc. can form a part of such programme. Company shall provide separate budget for community development activities and income generating programmes. This will be in addition to vocational training for individuals imparted to take up self employment and jobs.
- ix) Tribal Rehabilitation Action Plan shall be prepared and submitted to the Ministry within six months. The scheme shall include special measures for upliftment of tribals in the area for sustainable economic generation.
- x) Maintenance of village roads through which transportation of ores are undertaken shall be carried out by the company regularly at its own expenses.
- xi) The project proponent shall ensure that civic amenities such as sanitation, drinking water, schools, health centre, road infrastructure etc. are provided to the nearest two villages at its own expenses.

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Measures for prevention and control of soil erosion and management of silt shall be undertaken. Protection of dumps against erosion shall be carried out with geotextile matting or other suitable material, and thick plantations of native trees and shrubs shall be carried out at the dump slopes. Dumps shall be protected by retaining walls. Status of implementation of Silt prevention and management shall be submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry within six months.

- xiii) Trenches / garland drains shall be constructed at foot of dumps and coco filters installed at regular intervals to arrest silt from being carried to water bodies. Adequate number of Check Dams and Gully Plugs shall be constructed across seasonal/perennial nallehs (if any) flowing through the ML area and silts arrested. De-silting at regular intervals shall be carried out.

Garland drain of appropriate size, gradient and length shall be constructed for both mine pit and for waste dump and sump capacity shall be designed keeping 50% safety margin over and above peak sudden rainfall (based on 50 years data) and maximum discharge in the area adjoining the mine site. Sump capacity shall also provide adequate retention period to allow proper settling of silt material. Sedimentation pits shall be constructed at the corners of the garland drains and desilted at regular intervals.

- xiv) Over burden (if any) shall be stacked at earmarked dump site(s) only and shall not be kept active for long period. The maximum height of the dump shall not exceed 30 m, each stage shall preferably be of 10 m and overall slope of the dump shall not exceed 28°. The OB dump shall be backfilled. The OB dumps shall be scientifically vegetated with suitable native species to prevent erosion and surface run off. Monitoring and management of rehabilitated areas shall continue until the vegetation becomes self-sustaining. Compliance status shall be submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry on six monthly basis.
- xv) Top soil/ solid waste (if any) shall be stacked properly with proper slope and with adequate safeguards for prevention of erosion and shall be used for backfilling for reclamation and rehabilitation of mined out area.
- xvi) Slope of the mining bench and ultimate pit limit shall be as per the mining scheme as approved by the Indian Bureau of Mines.
- xvii) Rain water harvesting scheme shall be undertaken in consultation with the Regional Director, Central Ground Water Board and action plan for implementation of the scheme shall be submitted to the Regional Office of the Ministry, the Central Ground Water Board and the state Govt. within six months.
- xviii) Water to be supplied for drinking purposes shall be treated to meet the prescribed standards. Monitoring of water quality for drinking shall be undertaken on daily basis especially for fluoride & arsenic and records maintained.
- xix) Prior permission from the competent authority shall be obtained for extraction of ground water, if any.
- xx) Occupational health and safety measures for the workers including identification of work related health hazards, training on malaria eradication, HIV, and health effects on exposure to mineral dust etc. shall be carried out. The company shall engage a full time qualified doctor who is trained in occupational health. Periodic monitoring for exposure to respirable mineral dust on the workers shall be conducted and records maintained including health records of the workers. Awareness programme for



workers on impact of mining on their health and precautionary measures like use of personal equipments etc. shall be carried out periodically. Review of impact of various health measures undertaken (at interval of five years or less) shall be conducted followed by follow up action wherever required.

- xxi) Green belt development shall be carried out considering CPCB guidelines including selection of plant species and in consultation with the local DFO / Agriculture Department. Herbs and shrubs shall also form a part of afforestation programme besides tree plantation. Plantation shall be raised in 14.0 ha around the ML area, haul roads, OB dump sites etc. The density of the trees shall be not less than 2500 plants per ha. The company shall involve local people with the help of self help group for plantation programme.
- xxii) Drilling and blasting (if any) shall be conducted by using dust extractors/wet drilling.
- xxiii) Vehicles used for transportation of ores and other mining operations shall have valid permissions as prescribed under Central Motor Vehicle Rules, 1989 and its amendments. Measures shall be taken for maintenance of vehicles used in mining operations and in transportation of ores. Transporting of ores shall be done covered with a tarpaulin or other suitable enclosures so that no dust particles / fine matters escape during the course of transportation. No overloading of ores for transportation shall be undertaken.
- xxiv) A final mine closure plan, along with details of Corpus Fund, shall be submitted to the Ministry of Environment & Forests, 5 years in advance of final mine closure for approval.

#### B. General conditions

- (i) No change in mining technology and scope of working shall be made without prior approval of the Ministry of Environment & Forests.
- (ii) No change in the calendar plan including excavation, quantum of mineral and waste shall be made.
- (iii) Conservation measures for protection of flora and fauna in the core & buffer zone shall be drawn up in consultation with the local forest and wildlife department.
- (iv) Four ambient air quality monitoring stations shall be established in the core zone as well as in the buffer zone for RPM, SPM, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> monitoring. Location of the stations should be decided based on the meteorological data, topographical features and environmentally and ecologically sensitive targets and frequency of monitoring should be undertaken in consultation with the State Pollution Control Board.
- (v) Data on ambient air quality (RSPM, SPM, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>) should be regularly submitted to the Ministry including its Regional office located at Bangalore and the State Pollution Control Board / Central Pollution Control Board once in six months.
- (vi) Fugitive dust emissions from all the sources shall be controlled regularly. Water spraying arrangement on haul roads, loading and unloading and at transfer points shall be provided and properly maintained.
- (vii) Measures shall be taken for control of noise levels below 85 dBA in the work environment. Workers engaged in operations of HEMM, etc. shall be provided with ear plugs / muffs.

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- (vii) Industrial waste water (workshop and waste water from the mine) should be properly collected, treated so as to conform to the standards prescribed under GSR 422 (E) dated 19<sup>th</sup> May, 1993 and 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1993 or as amended from time to time. Oil and grease trap shall be installed before discharge of workshop effluents.
- (ix) Personnel working in dusty areas shall be provided with protective respiratory devices and they shall also be imparted adequate training and information on safety and health aspects.
- (x) A separate Environmental Management Cell with suitable qualified personnel shall be set-up under the control of a Senior Executive, who will report directly to the Head of the Organization.
- (xi) The project authorities shall inform to the Regional Office of the Ministry located at Bangalore regarding date of financial closure and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the date of start of land development work.
- (xii) The funds earmarked for environmental protection measures shall be kept in separate account and shall not be diverted for other purpose. Year wise expenditure shall be reported to the Ministry and its Regional Office located at Bangalore.
- (xiii) The project authorities shall inform the Regional Office of the Ministry located at Bangalore regarding date of financial closure and final approval of the project by the concerned authorities and the date of start of land development work.
- (xiv) The Regional Office of the Ministry, Bangalore shall monitor compliance of the stipulated conditions. The project authorities shall extend full cooperation to the officer(s) of the Regional Office by furnishing the requisite data / information / monitoring reports.
- (xv) A copy of clearance letter will be marked to concerned Panchayat / local NGO, if any, from whom suggestion / representation has been received while processing the proposal.
- (xvi) State Pollution Control Board shall display a copy of the clearance letter at the Regional office, District Industry Centre and Collector's office / Tehsildar's Office for 30 days.
- (xvii) The project authorities shall advertise at least in two local newspapers widely circulated, one of which shall be in the vernacular language of the locality concerned, within 7 days of the issue of the clearance letter informing that the project has been accorded environmental clearance and a copy of the clearance letter is available with the State Pollution Control Board and also at web site of the Ministry of Environment and Forests at <http://envfor.nic.in> and a copy of the same shall be forwarded to the Regional Office of the Ministry located Bangalore.

5. The Ministry or any other competent authority may alter/modify the above conditions or stipulate any further condition in the interest of environment protection.

6. Concealing factual data or submission of false/fabricated data and failure to comply with any of the conditions mentioned above may result in withdrawal of this clearance and attract action under the provisions of Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

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7. The above conditions will be enforced inter-alia, under the provisions of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, the Air (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991 along with their amendments and rules.

8. Any appeal against this environmental clearance shall lie with the National Environment Appellate Authority, if preferred, within a period of 30 days as prescribed under Section 11 of the National Environment Appellate Act, 1997.

Yours faithfully,

(W. Bharat Singh)  
Deputy Director

Copy to:

1. Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Government of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. Secretary, Department of Environment, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
3. Secretary, Department of Mines and Geology, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
4. Secretary, Department of Forests, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
5. Chief Conservator of Forests, Regional Office (SZ), Kendriya Sadan, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor E&F, Wings 17<sup>th</sup> Main Road, 1 Block, Kotahmangala, Bangalore-560 034.
6. Chairman, Central Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, CBD-Cum-Office Complex, East Arjun Nagar, New Delhi-110 032.
7. Chairman, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Parivesh Bhawan, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, 49, Church Street, Bangalore - 560 001.
8. Member Secretary, Central Ground Water Authority, A2, W - 3 Curzon Road Barracks, K.G. Marg, New Delhi-110001.
9. Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Indira Bhawan, Civil Lines, Nagpur- 440 001.
10. District Collector, Bellary, Government of Karnataka.
11. E1 Division, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Parivashan Bhawan, New Delhi.
12. Monitoring File.
13. Guard File.
14. Record File.

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**MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS**

New Delhi 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2006

**Notification**

S.O. 1533 Whereas, a draft notification under sub-rule (3) of Rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 for imposing certain restrictions and prohibitions on new projects or activities, or on the expansion or modernization of existing projects or activities based on their potential environmental impacts as indicated in the Schedule to the notification, being undertaken in any part of India<sup>1</sup>, unless prior environmental clearance has been accorded in accordance with the objectives of National Environment Policy as approved by the Union Cabinet on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2006 and the procedure specified in the notification, by the Central Government or the State or Union territory Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), to be constituted by the Central Government in consultation with the State Government or the Union territory Administration concerned under sub-section (3) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for the purpose of this notification, was published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (ii) vide number S.O. 1324 (E) dated the 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2005 inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby within a period of sixty days from the date on which copies of Gazette containing the said notification were made available to the public;

And whereas, copies of the said notification were made available to the public on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2005;

And whereas, all objections and suggestions received in response to the above mentioned draft notification have been duly considered by the Central Government;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (v) of sub-section (2) of section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, read with clause (d) of sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 and in supersession of the notification number S.O. 60 (E) dated the 27<sup>th</sup> January, 1994, except in respect of things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government hereby directs that on and from the date of its publication the required construction of new projects or activities or the expansion or modernization of existing projects or activities listed in the Schedule to this notification entailing capacity addition with change in process and or technology shall be undertaken in any part of India only after the prior environmental clearance from the Central Government or as the case may be, by the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, duly constituted by the Central Government under sub-section (3) of section 3 of the said Act, in accordance with the procedure specified hereinafter in this notification.

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<sup>1</sup>Includes the territorial waters



applicant may proceed as if the environment clearance sought for has been granted or denied by the regulatory authority in terms of the final recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned.

(iv) On expiry of the period specified for decision by the regulatory authority under paragraph (i) and (ii) above, as applicable, the decision of the regulatory authority, and the final recommendations of the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee concerned shall be public documents.

(v) Clearances from other regulatory bodies or authorities shall not be required prior to receipt of applications for prior environmental clearance of projects or activities, or screening, or scoping, or appraisal, or decision by the regulatory authority concerned, unless any of these is sequentially dependent on such clearance either due to a requirement of law, or for necessary technical reasons.

(vi) Deliberate concealment and/or submission of false or misleading information or data which is material to screening or scoping or appraisal or decision on the application shall make the application liable for rejection, and cancellation of prior environmental clearance granted on that basis. Rejection of an application or cancellation of a prior environmental clearance already granted, on such ground, shall be decided by the regulatory authority, after giving a personal hearing to the applicant, and following the principles of natural justice.

#### **9. Validity of Environmental Clearance (EC):**

The "Validity of Environmental Clearance" is meant the period from which a prior environmental clearance is granted by the regulatory authority, or may be presumed by the applicant to have been granted under sub paragraph (iv) of paragraph 7 above, to the start of production operations by the project or activity, or completion of all construction operations in case of construction projects (item 8 of the Schedule), to which the application for prior environmental clearance refers. The prior environmental clearance granted for a project or activity shall be valid for a period of ten years in the case of River Valley projects (item 1(c) of the Schedule), project life as estimated by Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee subject to a maximum of thirty years for mining projects and five years in the case of all other projects and activities. However, in the case of Area Development projects and Townships [item 8(b)], the validity period shall be limited only to such activities as may be the responsibility of the applicant as a developer. This period of validity may be extended by the regulatory authority concerned by a maximum period of five years provided an application is made to the regulatory authority by the applicant within the validity period, together with an updated Form 1, and Supplementary Form 1A, for Construction projects or activities (item 8 of the Schedule). In this regard the regulatory authority may also consult the Expert Appraisal Committee or State Level Expert Appraisal Committee as the case may be.

#### **10. Post Environmental Clearance Monitoring:**

(i) It shall be mandatory for the project management to submit half-yearly compliance reports in respect of the stipulated prior environmental clearance terms and conditions in hard and soft copies to the regulatory authority concerned, on 1<sup>st</sup> June and 1<sup>st</sup> December of each calendar year.

(ii) All such compliance reports submitted by the project management shall be public documents. Copies of the same shall be given to any person on application to the concerned regulatory authority. The latest such compliance report shall also be displayed on the web site of the concerned regulatory authority.



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सं/No.: 279/1103/2019/BNG (55)

दिनांक/Date: 27/09/2019

सेवा में/To,

M/s. MSPL Limited,

Preferred Bidder,

Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road,

Hosapete, Bellari,

Karnataka-583 203.

**विषय/Sub:** Approval of Mining Plan including Progressive Mine Closure Plan in respect of Narasimha Iron Ore Mining Block (ML No. 2148) (auction block of Swamymalai Iron ore Mine of M/s. H.G.Rangan Goud) over an area of 60.66 Ha in Dharnapur Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District of Karnataka State, submitted for approval under rule 16 of MCR, 2016- Private/ Fresh/ Reserved Forest/ Cat. A - FM / Captive.

**संदर्भ /Ref:** 1. Your letter No. MSPL (NIOM)/IBM/2019-20 dated, 29/08/2019.  
2. This office letter of even number dated, 12/09/2019.  
3. Your letter No. MSPL (NIOM)/IBM/2019-20/2 dated 25/09/2019 submitting final bound copies of the Mining Plan.

Sirs,

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 read with Govt. of India order No.S.O.445 (E) dated 28.04.1987 and S.O.1857 (E) dated 18/05/2016, I hereby approve the Mining Plan including Progressive Mine Closure Plan in respect of Narasimha Iron Ore Mining Block (ML No. 2148) (auction block of Swamymalai Iron ore Mine of M/s. H.G.Rangan Goud ) over an area of 60.66 Ha in Dharnapur Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District of Karnataka State. This approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. The Mining Plan is approved without prejudice to any other laws applicable to the mine from time to time whether made by the Central Government, State Government or any other authority and without prejudice to any order or direction from any court of competent jurisdiction.
2. The proposals shown on the plates and /or given in the document is based on the lease map/Sketch submitted by the applicant /lessee and is applicable from the date of approval.
3. It is clarified that the approval of your aforesaid Mining Plan does not in any way imply the approval of the Government in terms of any other provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act 1957 or the Minerals (Other than Atomic and Hydro Carbon Energy Minerals) Concession Rules, 2016 and any other laws including Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 or the rules made there under, Mines Act, 1952 and Rules & Regulations made there under.
4. Indian Bureau of Mines has not undertaken verification of the mining lease boundary on the ground and does not undertake any responsibility regarding correctness of the boundaries of the leasehold shown on the ground with reference to lease map& other plans furnished by the applicant/ lessee.
5. At any stage, if it is observed that the information furnished, data incorporated in the document are incorrect or misrepresent facts, the approval of the document shall be revoked with immediate effect.

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6. The execution of Mining Plan shall be subjected to vacation of prohibitory orders / notices, if any.
7. The Approval of Mining Plan is strictly confined to the proposals contained within the mining leasehold demarcated as per lease sketch given by the joint survey team constituted by the CEC and duly authenticated by the State DMG. It does not convey approval to the proposals falling outside the Mining Lease boundary.
8. The Approval of Mining Plan is without prejudice to the final order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order dt. 18/04/2013 in W.P. No. 562/2009 and interim orders passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court from time to time in the said W.P. Nos. 25910/2009 and 26063/2009.
9. The contents of Circular No: 2/2010 issued by the Chief Controller of Mines, IBM, Nagpur vide his letter No.11013/3/MP/99-CCOM Vol-VII dated 06/04/2010 shall be complied with.
10. A copy of Environment Impact Assessment and Environment Management Plan as approved by the MOEF, New Delhi in terms of Hon'ble Supreme Court order dt. 20/04/2012 shall be submitted to this office along with a copy of their approval letter within one month of the date of such approval.
11. Environmental Monitoring Cell of the company shall continue monitoring ambient air quality, dust fall rate, water quality, soil sample analysis and noise level measurements on various stations established for the purpose both in the core zone and buffer zone as per Department of Environment guidelines and keeping in view IBM's circular No.3/92, season wise every year or by engaging the services of an Environment Laboratory approved by MOEF/CPCB. The data so generated shall be maintained in a bound pagged register kept for the purpose and the same shall be made available to the inspecting officer on demand.
12. In case the mining lease falls within a radius of 10 kms of National Park/ sanctuary, recommendations of NBWL have to be obtained as per the Order of Hon'ble Supreme Court in IA No. 460/2004.
13. An yearly report shall be submitted to this office before 1<sup>st</sup> July of every year setting forth the extent of protective and rehabilitative works carried out as envisaged in the approved mine closure plan.
14. The Mining Plan is approved for proposals contained therein and as applicable from the date of approval of the document for the mining activities to be carried out within the mining lease hold.
15. The Mining Plan is approved for total Mineral Reserves of 48.40 Million tonnes of Iron ore and the proposals are valid for the following period with respective production capacity.

Year	Production In Tonnes (ROM Iron Ore)
I	770000
II	770000
III	770000
IV	770000
V	770000

भवदीय/Yours faithfully,

संलग्नक : One copy of approved Mining Plan along with  
Progressive Mine Closure Plan.

(बी सी मीन/ G C Meena)  
क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक/Regional Controller of Mines  
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प्रतिलिपि सूचनायें Copy for kind information to:

1. The Director of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Karnataka, Bangalore, along with a copy of the approved Mining.
2. The Director of Mines Safety, Directorate General of Mines Safety, Bellary Sub- Region, 31, Infantry Road, Cantonment, Bellary - 584104.
3. The Controller of Mines (SZ), Indian Bureau of Mines, Bangalore along with soft copy in CD form.
4. Sri S.Shivakumar, QP, M/s. MSPL Limited, Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road, Hospete-583 203.
5. Mine file / Guard file

संलग्नक : As above

(जी सी मीणा/ G C Meena)  
क्षेत्रीय खान नियंत्रक/Regional Controller of Mines  
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ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಡಿ/ಭೂಮಿ/ಎಮ್‌ಎಸ್‌ಪಿಎಲ್/ಪ.ನೆ/ಸಿಆರ್- /2018-19.13896

ದಿನಾಂಕ: 26-12-2019.

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ಇವರಿಗೆ,

ಉಪ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ,  
ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬಳ್ಳಾರಿ

ಮಾನ್ಯರೇ,

ವಿಷಯ: Request to issue NOC/Suitability Certificate of the land to be handed over to the Forest Department as part of the Compensatory Afforestation located at 6/4, 6/5, 6/6 in Amagon Village, Jamboti Hobli, Khanapur Taluk, Belagavi Dist-Karnataka.

Proposal No: FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019.

- ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ: 1. ಎಮ್‌ಎಸ್‌ಪಿಎಲ್ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್ ಇವರ ಮನವಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05-10-2019.  
2. ಮಾನ್ಯ ಅಪರ ಪ್ರಧಾನ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು. (ಅ.ಸಂ). ಬೆಂಗಳೂರುರವರ ಕಛೇರಿ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕೆಎಫ್‌ಡಿ/ ಹೆಚ್‌ಟಿಎಫ್‌ಎಫ್/ 554(ಎಫ್‌ಸಿ)/1/2019-ಎಫ್‌ಸಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15-05-2019.  
3. ವಲಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ, ಭೀಮಗಡ ಇವರ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಭೀವಜೇವ/ ಹೆಮ್ಮಡಗಾ/ಭೂಮಿ/ಅಮಗಾಂವ/ಸಿಆರ್/2019-20, ದಿನಾಂಕ:17-12-2019  
4. ಸಹಾಯಕ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ, ಖಾನಾಪೂರ ಇವರ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಸಸಂ/ಖಾಉದಿ/ಭೂಮಿ/2019-20, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18-12-2019.

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ವಿಷಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ, ಖಾನಾಪೂರ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕಿನ, ಜಾಂಬೋಟಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಅಮಗಾಂವ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಜಮೀನನ್ನು ಇಲಾಖಾ ವಶಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಲು ಎಮ್‌ಎಸ್‌ಪಿಎಲ್ ಲಿಮಿಟೆಡ್ ಇವರು ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಯೋಜನೆಗೆ ಯೋಗ್ಯತಾ ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಪತ್ರ (Suitability Certificate) ಪೂರೈಸುವಂತೆ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ-1 ರ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಕೋರಿಕೊಂಡಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ವಿವರ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

SLNo	Project Details	CA land Sy No	Extent in Acres	Online FC Proposal No	Project area comes under division
1	Narasimha Iron Ore Mine (ML No: 2148) of MSPL Limited	6/5 6/6	6.07 4.21	FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019	DCF Ballari

ಮೇಲಿನ ಸ್ಥಳವನ್ನು ವಲಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ, ಭೀಮಗಡ ಇವರು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 29-11-2019 ರಂದು ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಿ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ-3 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನಂತೆ ವರದಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

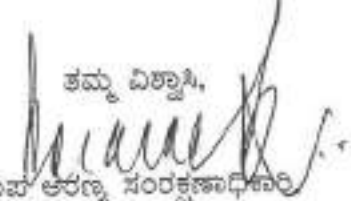
1. ಅಮಗಾಂವ ರಿ.ಸ.ಸಂ 6/5 ನೇದ್ದರ ಜಮೀನುಗಳು ಮಾಲ್ಟಿ ಜಮೀನುಗಳಾಗಿದ್ದು ಕಂದಾಯ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಪಹಣಿ ಪತ್ರಿಕೆಗಳಿಂದ ತಿಳಿದು ಬರುತ್ತದೆ.
2. ಸದರಿ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಪೂರ್ವ ದಿಕ್ಕಿಗೆ ಕಾಯ್ದುಟ್ಟ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸ.ಸಂ 7 ಇರುತ್ತದೆ. ಪಶ್ಚಿಮಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾಯ್ದುಟ್ಟ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸ.ಸಂ 5, ಉತ್ತರಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾಯ್ದುಟ್ಟ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸ.ಸಂ 7 ಮತ್ತು ದಕ್ಷಿಣಕ್ಕೆ ರಿ.ಸ.ಸಂ 6/7 ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.
3. ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವಿತ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಣ್ಣಿನ ಗುಣಧರ್ಮ ಉರುಕು ಮಿಶ್ರಿತ ಜಂಬಿಟ್ಟಿಗೆ ಮಣ್ಣನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

4. ಸದರಿ ರಿ.ಸ.ನಂ ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ದಟ್ಟವಾದ ಗಿಡಮರಗಳಿದ್ದು, ಅದರಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಖ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಅಂಜನ, ಕುಂಜನ, ಕಿಂದಳ, ಮತ್ತಿ, ನಂದಿ, ಜಾತಿಯ ಗಿಡಗಳಿದ್ದು, ಖಾಲಿ ಜಾಗೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹುಲ್ಲುಗಾವಲು ಇರುತ್ತದೆ. ಮತ್ತು ಕಾಜು ಜಾತಿಯ ಸಸಿಗಳನ್ನು ನೆಟ್ಟಿದ್ದು ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.
5. ಸದರಿ ರಿ.ಸ.ನಂ ಗಳು ಅರಣ್ಯದ ಮಧ್ಯಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿಗಳ ಆವಾಸ ಸ್ಥಾನ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸಿ ಅವುಗಳ ಸಂತತಿ ವೃದ್ಧಿಸಲು ಅಶೀ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಉಪಯುಕ್ತವಿರುತ್ತದೆ.
6. ಸದರಿ ರಿ.ಸ.ನಂ ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಔಷಧಿ ಸಸಿಗಳನ್ನು ನೆಟ್ಟು ಔಷಧಿ ನೆಡುಕೋಪು ಬೆಳೆಸಲು ಯೋಗ್ಯವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.
7. ಸದರಿ ರಿ.ಸ.ನಂ ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ 50% ಹುಲ್ಲುಗಾವಲು ಇದ್ದು, ಇನ್ನುಳಿದ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಜಂಗ್ಲಿ ಗಿಡಗಳು ಇರುತ್ತವೆ.

ಮೇಲಿನಂತೆ ವಲಯ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ, ಭೀಮಗಡ ಇವರ ವರದಿಯು ಸಮಂಜಸವಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಸದರಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು ಇಲಾಖಾ ವಶಕ್ಕೆ ಪಡೆದು ಪರಿಹಾರಾತ್ಮಕ ನೆಡುಕೋಪು ಬೆಳೆಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಸಹಾಯಕ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ, ಖಾನಾಪೂರ ಇವರು ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ-4 ರಲ್ಲಿ ವರದಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಮುಂದುವರೆದು ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರದೇಶವನ್ನು ನಾನು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 15-11-2019 ರಂದು ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಲಾಗಿ ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾಪಿತ ಪ್ರದೇಶವು ಅರಣ್ಯ ಭೂಮಿಯಿಂದ ಸುತ್ತುವರೆದಿದ್ದು ಭೀಮಗಡ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿ ವಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ. ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಹುಲಿ, ಚಿರತೆ, ಕಾಡು-ಕುರಿ, ಕಾಡು-ನಾಯಿ, ಸಾಂಬಾರ, ಕಾಡುಕೋಣ, ಕರಡಿ, ವಿವಿಧ ಜಾತಿಯ ಹಾವುಗಳು, ಕೀಟಗಳು, ಪಕ್ಷಿಗಳು, ಇತರೆ ಬೆಲೆಬಾಳುವ ವನಔಷಧಿ ಸಸ್ಯಗಳಾದ ಮ್ಯಾಪಿಯಾ, ವಾಯ್‌ವಡಂಗ, ಸಪ್ತರಂಗಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನಿತರೆ ಜಾತಿಯ ಔಷಧಿ ಗಿಡಗಳು ಸಿಗುತ್ತವೆ. ಹಾಗೂ ಇತರ ಪ್ರಾಣಿಗಳ ಜಲನವಲನಗಳನ್ನು ಕಂಡಿರುವುದಾಗಿ ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿಯವರು ತಿಳಿಸಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಹಾಗೂ ಸಸ್ತಾಹಾರಿ ಪ್ರಾಣಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಹುಲ್ಲುಗಾವಲು ಪ್ರದೇಶವು ಅವುಗಳ ವಾಸಸ್ಥಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಸೂಕ್ತವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಆದರಿಂದಾಗಿ ರಿ.ಸ.ನಂ ಗಳ ಪ್ರದೇಶಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾಗಿ ಹುಲ್ಲು ಬೆಳೆದಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಹಾಗೂ ಈ ರಿ.ಸ.ನಂ ಗಳ ಪ್ರದೇಶಗಳು ಅರಣ್ಯ ಪ್ರದೇಶಕ್ಕೆ ತಾಗಿಕೊಂಡಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ವಿವಿಧ ಹೆಸರು ಸುಲಭವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಹಾಗೂ ಸುತ್ತಲಿನ ಪ್ರದೇಶವು ಪ್ರಚಲಿತ ಕಾರ್ಯಯೋಜನೆ ಪ್ರಕಾರ Bio-Diversity Circle ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಬರುತ್ತದೆ. ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರದೇಶವನ್ನು ಉಪಯೋಗಿ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯವರಿಂದ ಪರಿಹಾರಾತ್ಮಕ ನೆಡುಕೋಪು ಬೆಳೆಸಲು ಇಲಾಖೆಗೆ ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಲ್ಲಿ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಪ್ರದೇಶವು ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗುವುದರ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ವನ್ಯಜೀವಿಗಳ ಆವಾಸ-ಸ್ಥಾನ ವೃದ್ಧಿಸುವುದರ ಜೊತೆಗೆ ಸಂತಾನಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾದಂತೆ ಆಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾಪಿತ ಮಾಲ್ಟಿ ಪ್ರದೇಶವನ್ನು ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುವ ಮುನ್ನ ಜಂಟಿ ಮೋಜಣಿ (ಕಂದಾಯ ಮತ್ತು ಅರಣ್ಯ ಇಲಾಖೆ) ಮೂಲಕ ಹಸ್ತಾಂತರಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗುವುದು, ಎಂಬ ವಿಷಯವನ್ನು ತಮಗೆ ಅಭಿನಂದನೆಗಳೊಂದಿಗೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದೆ.

ಅಡಕ: ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ- 2 ರ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಯೋಗ್ಯತಾ ಪ್ರಮಾಣ ಪತ್ರ (Format-A), KML File CD, CA Identified area Maps ಹಾಗೂ CA Scheme

ತಮ್ಮ ವಿಶ್ವಾಸಿ,  
  
 ಉಪ ಅರಣ್ಯ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿ  
 ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ.

ಪ್ರತಿಯನ್ನು M/s. MSPL Ltd, Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road, Ballary District.  
 ಇವರಿಗೆ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಾಗಿ ರವಾನಿಸಿದೆ.



**FORMAT-A**  
**CA LAND SUITABILITY CERTIFICATE UNDER FCA 1980**

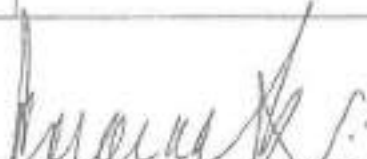
*[Cases where the proposed non-forest CA land can support the prescribed planting density of 1000 plants per hectare]*

In compliance of the procedure established for diversion of forestland for non-forest purpose through the Forest Conservation Rules 2003 and guidelines framed under the Forest Conservation Act 1980, the following is certified.

1. The non-forest land parcel(s) shown in the table below proposed by M/s. MSPL Ltd, Baldota Enclave, Abheraj Baldota Road, Hosapete, Ballary Dist. (User Agency) for raising compensatory afforestation (CA) in forestland diversion proposal number FP/KA/MIN/39986/2019 dated: 26-04-2019 for diversion of 4.16 hectare of forest land in (Narasimha IRON Ore Mine ML No: 2148 of MSPL Limited) Ballari Division have been inspected by me on 15-11-2019.
2. The said non- forest CA land parcels are suitable for raising compensatory afforestation in accordance with the Government of India FC Guidelines F. No. 11-423/2011-FC dated 08-11-2017 read with general FC Guidelines, and in case of Private Party User Agency, further as per Government of Karnataka Order No. FEE 82 FLL 2016 dated 31-08-2016.
3. The KML files(s), Topo Map(s), Geo-referenced Map(s)& GPS readings of all corners of the proposed land parcel(s) have been uploaded by User Agency in PART-I of the proposal.
4. Additional remarks, in any.....

District, Taluk & Hobli	Village	Survey Number	Extent proposed A-G (Ha)	Remark about the adjacency of the proposed land parcel to a notified forest
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Belagavi, Khanapur, Jamboti.	Amagon	6/5	6.07 (2.46)	These lands are adjacent to Amagon Reserved Forest (Forest Survey No's. 5 & 7)
		6/6	4.21 (1.70)	
Total:			10.28 (4.16)	

Place: Belagavi  
Date: 26-11-2019

  
Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Belagavi Division, Belagavi.

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## YEAR-WISE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE APPROPRIATION FOR DIVISION OF CHIEF OF POLICE LAKE IN GRANT OF THE STATE

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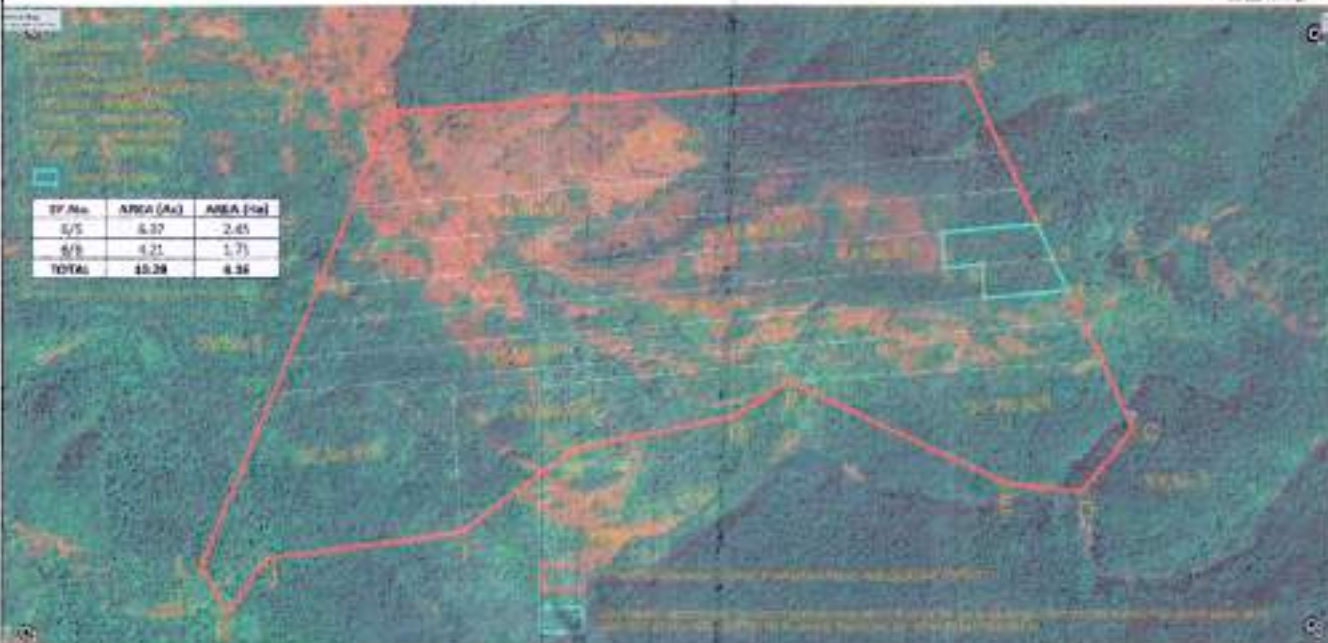


GOOGLE EARTH SHOWING THE NON FOREST ADDITIONAL CA LAND AREA OF AN EXTENT OF 04.26 Ha (64.86 Ha - 60.75 Ha) IN RESPECT OF NARASIPURIA IRON ORE RINE OF M/s. MSPIL LIMITED M. No 2148. PL AREA - 63.66 Ha + APPROACH ROAD - 4.33 Ha = 64.96 Ha, HUMNABSWANY RESERVE FOREST, SANDUR TALUK, BALLARI DIST, KARNATAKA LOCATED AT SY No. 6/5 & SY No 6/5 OF AMBAGAD VILLAGE, KHAMRUPUR TALUK, BELAGANT DISTRICT



SCALE: 1:100

SY No.	AREA (Ha)	AREA (Ha)
6/5	4.27	2.45
6/5	4.21	1.71
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8.48</b>	<b>4.16</b>



GPS READINGS OF SY No. 6		
Grid Lat/Lon UTM		
Name	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
A	N15.612256	E74.30056
B	N15.612489	E74.30470
C	N15.61565	E74.31883
D	N15.61430	E74.31759
E	N15.61437	E74.31572
F	N15.61672	E74.31685
G	N15.61541	E74.30908
H	N15.61533	E74.30509
I	N15.61829	E74.30355
J	N15.61258	E74.29759
K	N15.61131	E74.29665
L	N15.61243	E74.29602

GPS READINGS OF ADDITIONAL CA LAND AREA FOR M. No 2148 (4.33 Ha)		
Grid Lat/Lon UTM		
Name	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
1	N15.62020	E74.31410
2	N15.62040	E74.31642
3	N15.61960	E74.31682
4	N15.61886	E74.31719
5	N15.61866	E74.31516
6	N15.61846	E74.31510
7	N15.61830	E74.31617

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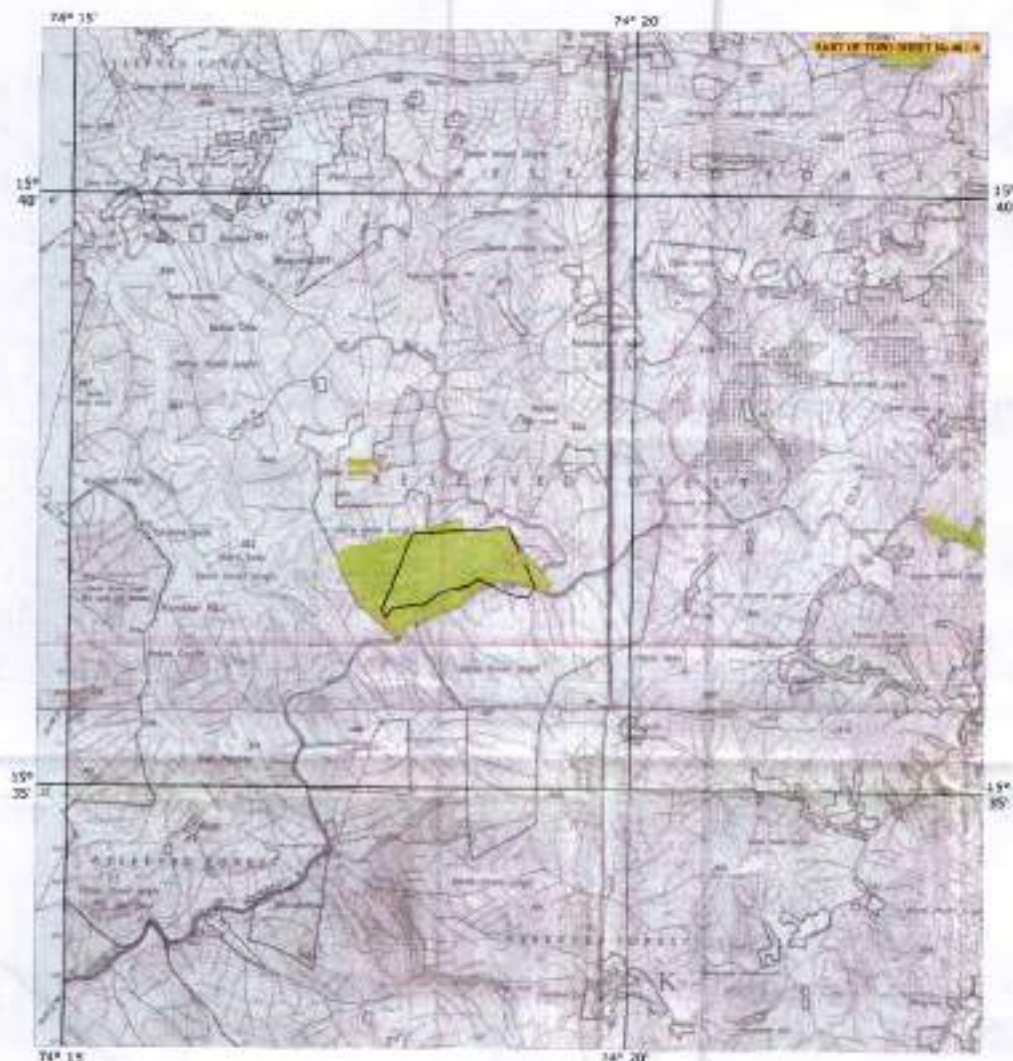
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TOPO PLAN SHOWING THE NON FOREST ADDITIONAL CA LAND AREA OF AN EXTENT OF 04.16 Ha (64.86 Ha - 60.70 Ha) IN RESPECT OF NARASIPPA FROM DRE PINE OF MILMSPL LIMITED HL.No.2148, HL AREA - 00.66 Ha + APPROACH ROAD - 4.20 Ha + 64.86 Ha, KUMARASWAMY RESERVED FOREST, SANDUR TALUK, BALLARI DIST, KARNATAKA LOCATED AT SY.No. 6/5 OF AMAGADY VILLAGE, KHANKURU TALUK, BELAGAVI DISTRICT



SCALE: 1 : 10000



#### CALCULATED

SY. NO. 6/5 & 6/6  
CA LAND AREA - 10.20 Ha (4.30 Ha)  
VILLAGE: AMAGADY  
TALUK: KHANKURU  
DISTRICT: BELAGAVI  
STATE: KARNATAKA

#### Area Details

SY. No.	Area (Ha)	Area (Acre)
6/5	5.02	2.41
6/6	5.18	2.41
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10.20</b>	<b>4.82</b>

#### GPS COORDINATES OF SY. No. 6

Name	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
A	N15.62786	E74.30055
B	N15.62780	E74.31430
C	N15.63360	E74.31585
D	N15.63420	E74.31750
E	N15.63437	E74.32077
F	N15.63872	E74.32025
G	N15.63508	E74.30668
H	N15.63130	E74.30520
I	N15.63335	E74.30325
J	N15.63756	E74.29750
K	N15.63331	E74.29600
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Source: WGS 84

#### GPS COORDINATES OF ADDITIONAL CA LAND AREA FOR SY. No. 6/5 & 6/6

Name	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
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2	N15.62040	E74.31541
3	N15.62260	E74.31681
4	N15.61696	E74.31718
5	N15.61868	E74.31718
6	N15.61936	E74.32018
7	N15.62038	E74.31517

Source: WGS 84

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SY. No. 6 OF AMAGADY VILLAGE, KHANKURU TALUK AND BELAGAVI DISTRICT

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DCF/NIOM/HGR/01/2021-22

Dated:

### Undertaking for Non-forest Compensatory Afforestation (CA) Land

This is to certify that the ML.2148 was Originally was allotted to H.G.Rangangowda and they have provided the CA land as per the forest regulation as it is fully operative mines till it is declared as "C" category mines due to the violations executed by Sri H.G.Ranganagowda. After it is declared as "C" Category and as per the directions of Honorable supreme court, the lease of ML.no.2148 ( H.G.rangangowda) is cancelled by the Karnataka state government and conducted e auction where in which MSPL Limited participated and qualified as successful bidder. Hence MSPL Limited has become lessee for executing business within the framework of law duly following all statutes of the country. However, the operative mines remain same including the CA land provided for the said ML.2148. The general forest law is **one land for one land and one tree for one tree** and since the CA land for the said ML 2148 is already accomplished. MSPL Limited being the present lessee qualified in "e" auction has got the land mutated in the name of forest for the said purpose from the appropriate district authority vide their letter No: kum/bhoomi/c&D/032019 dated 13.11.2019. The MSPL Limited has provided copy of the said mutation & pahani of Survey number 563 on Chikkakariaginahalli out of 161.25 acres of land under survey Number 563, (60.70 HA) 150 acres is diverted as CA land for the ML No 2148.Hence providing of CA Land & area second time for the same lease will not arise .

We also would like to inform you that as per the Ministry of Mines, GOI, Office memorandum F.no.7/27/2016-M.IV, dated 12.02.21 to MOEF &CC to exempt CA land requirement wherever the old lessee had already submitted CA land for diversion of Forest land....

However, we hereby giving undertaking that we will obey and provide based on the decision of FAC of MOEF&CC during Stage-1 Clearance.

This is for your kind information and request you to process further.

Thanking you.

FOR MSPL LIMITED

K.MADHUSUDHANA

Vice President- Mines & CC



## MSPL LIMITED

ANNEXURE-8

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MSPL/NIOM/LOI/20-21

The Additional Chief Secretary,  
MSME & Mines, C&I departments,  
Bangalore

Date: 08.03.2021

Consent to the Additional Chief Secretary  
Received and filed in section  
Vidya Prasad, Bangalore - 08/03/2021

LETTER RECEIVED  
Dept. of Mines & Geology  
Bangalore - 8

Dear Sir,

**Subject: Extension of validity of the Letter of Intent issued in favor of M/s MSPL Limited for the auctioned "C" category mine erstwhile lessee Sri H.G. Rangangouda ML No.2148**

Ref: 1. LoI : DMG/MLS/AUC/"C"-2148/2018-19/2990 dated 06-10-2018.  
2. LoI to acknowledge Preferred bidder as Successful bidder letter No:  
DM-17012/2019/2019-20/5843 Dated:23.12.2019

With the reference to the letter cited above in the ref No-1, M/s MSPL Limited has been declared as a preferred bidder for mining Lease ML No: 2148 in e-auction conducted by Department of Mines and Geology, Karnataka.

With the reference to the pointed 2 cited above, further M/s MSPL Limited has been declared as a successful bidder for execution of Mining Lease Deed with fulfilling to the conditions stated in LoI.

Further to the conditions mentioned in the point 3.1 of Letter of intent to acknowledge the preferred Bidder as Successful Bidder, dated 23.12.2019 which reads as "*MSPL shall be granted the Mining lease only upon the satisfactory completion of all the requirements and submission of all the statutory clearances under the act, rules made thereunder the tender document*".

In this regard, we wish to submit that we have obtained following statutory clearances except Forest Clearance.

1. Approval of R& R Plan by CEC dated 21.08.2019
2. Mining Plan Approved by IBM dated: 30.09.2019
3. Environmental Clearance dated: 13.05.2019

As you are aware that to sign the MDPA and for the execution of the Lease Deed, the Forest Clearance is a must and there is an exorbitant delay by the Forest Department (State and Center) in granting the approval of Forest Clearance. The delayed process of application at various offices of Forest Department is given below.

*[Signature]*



Activity	Date	Delay in months
New proposal application date	26.04.2019	
Processed & Acceptance of Nodal Officer (PCCF)	04.11.2019	
Hard copy Submission to DC	22.11.2019	
Hard copy Submission to DCF	22.11.2019	
Forwarding of proposal from PCCF to DCF	02.12.2019	
Forwarding of Proposal from DCF to CCF	21.03.2020	3 Months 19 days
Forwarding of Proposal from CCF to PCCF	28.05.2020	2 Months 7 days
Forwarding of proposal from PCCF to GOK	23.06.2020	25 days
Forwarding of proposal from GoK to MoEF&CC (GOI)	30.09.2020	3 Months 7 days
Clarification sought by MoEF&CC	23.12.2020	2 Months 23 days
Clarification forwarding from PCCF to CCF	18.01.2021	25 days
Clarification forwarding from CCF to DCF	08.02.2021	20 days
File is at DCF, Ballari to reply to MoEF clarifications		Reply yet to be made

In spite of delay at various levels, the MoEF New Delhi has also sought clarifications from GOK and maximum Clarifications sought were on erstwhile lease holder's connected issues, which are not under purview of new lessee. The clarifications sought by MoEF connected to erstwhile lessee are

1. The state government shall submit the approval details and status of compliance with respect to the forest area diverted in favor of previous lessees.
2. violations of the FCA-1980 and details of actions initiated in this regard by concerned authorities need submission
3. Issue of encroachment outside the lease area having extent 21.62 Ha as reported by DFO in Part II, details shall be submitted with action taken in the matter.
4. with respect to the violation mentioned the state government may furnish details on action taken matter

We wish to state that the delay is purely connected to departmental delays and not because of MSPL Limited and the delay that has happened is beyond the control of MSPL Limited.

As provided under 4.1 of the LOI. No DMG/MLS/AUC/c-2148/2018-19 dated 06.10.2018 when the delays in executing the Mining Lease deed is due to events beyond the control of successful bidder, an extension may be granted.

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Under these circumstances, we request you to consider the extension of validity of LOI for one year. In view of above facts, we request you to kindly Extend the validity of Lol which is expiring on 05.04.2021 by one year without any obligation on new lessee.

Thanking you

For MSPL Limited



Dr. HY Desai

Vice President – Corporate Communications

Copy to 1. The Director, Department of Mines & Geology, Bangalore





**GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA**

No:DMG/MLS/AUC/C'-2148/2018-19

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Department of Mines and Geology,  
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Bangalore-1, Date: 06.10.2018  
Email id: [dir-mines@karnataka.gov.in](mailto:dir-mines@karnataka.gov.in)

To:  
MSPL Limited  
Baldota bhavan, 117,  
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Mumbai - 400 020.

Sub: Letter of Intent with reference to e-auction dated 06.09.2018 for grant of iron ore mining lease for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" Block in Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluka, Ballari District over an extent of 60.66 Hectare Area of Forest land.

**1. Background:**

1.1. The Director, Department of Mines and Geology, Karnataka, pursuant to the Supreme Court judgments and orders in Samaj Parivartana Samudaya and Ors. Vs. State of Karnataka and Ors in W.P.(C) 562 of 2009 (the "**Judgment**"), the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and its amendments (the "**Act**") and the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 including its amendments (the "**Rules**"), issued the notification and notice inviting tender dated 30 January 2018 for grant of mining lease for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" located in Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluka, Ballari District of Karnataka (the "**Tender Document**"). The e-auction process was conducted in accordance with the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 (including its amendments) and the Tender Document for the said mineral block and "MSPL Limited" was declared as the "**Preferred Bidder**" in accordance with Rule 9(9)(iii) of the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 including its amendments.

  
6/10/18

- 1.2. The upfront payment for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" Block is Rs. 66,87,17,487/- (Rupees Sixty Six Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Seven Only). As required under Rule 10(1) of the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015, MSPL Limited has deposited the first instalment of the upfront payment, being ten percent of the upfront payment, of Rs. 6,68,71,749/- through Demand Draft (DD) bearing No. 986160 dated: 20.09.2018 which was received on 24.09.2018.
- 1.3. With reference to letter No. DMG/MLS/CCA/12/2016-17 dated 23.08.2018 issued by DMG during the bid evaluation stage and thereupon the declaration submitted, MSPL Limited has submitted the revised bid security on 24.09.2018 for maintaining bid validity as 510 days from the Bid Due Date (i.e. 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018).

## 2. Grant of Letter of Intent

- 2.1. Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 10(2) of the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 including its amendments, the Government of Karnataka is issuing this letter of intent for grant of mining lease for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" Block in Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluka, Ballari District over an extent of 60.66 Hectare Area of Forest land to MSPL Limited.

## 3. Conditions

- 3.1. This letter of intent and the subsequent grant of aforementioned mining lease shall be subject to the provisions of the Judgment, Act and the rules made thereunder, as amended from time to time.
- 3.2. MSPL Limited shall be declared as the "Successful Bidder" and subsequently be granted the mining lease only upon satisfactory completion of all requirements under the Judgment, Act, rules made thereunder and the Tender Document.

  
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3.3. For reference, the current requirements under the Rules and the Tender Document for declaration of **MSPL Limited** as the **"Successful Bidder"** and subsequent grant of the mining lease are reiterated below. It is clarified that the requirements mentioned below are only for reference and in the event of any change in Applicable Law, the requirements under the modified law, shall be applicable.

(a) Declaration of the **"Successful Bidder"**:

**MSPL Limited** shall be considered to be the **"Successful Bidder"** upon:

- i. continuing to be in compliance with all the terms and conditions of eligibility;
- ii. payment of the second instalment of the Upfront Payment which is **Rs 6,68,71,749/- (Rupees Six Crore Sixty Eight Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Nine Only)**, as per the Tender Document;
- iii. furnishing the **Performance Security** pursuant to the Auction Rules, valid for the period specified in the Tender Document and Mine Development and Production Agreement (MDPA), for an amount equal to **Rs. 66,87,17,487/- (Rupees Sixty Six Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Seven Only)**. Pursuant to sub-rule (1) of Rule 12 of the Auction Rules, the Performance Security shall be adjusted every five years so that it continues to correspond to 0.50% of the reassessed value of estimated resources including the value of any newly discovered mineral that may be included in the mining lease deed on its discovery determined in accordance with the Auction Rules. In such case, bank guarantee constituting the Performance Security shall be substituted with another bank guarantee of the same value issued in accordance with Clause 10.2 of the Tender Document, which is for the revised amount or if the Performance Security has been provided through a security deposit, additional amount towards security deposit shall be provided;
- iv. satisfying the conditions specified in clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Act with respect to a mining plan;



- v. having cleared all dues to the Government of Karnataka arising from mining activity that the Preferred Bidder has undertaken in Karnataka in the past, if such dues have been determined to be payable by him in terms of the extant provisions of the MMDR Act, 1957 and the rules framed there under, along with an undertaking that he shall also clear all dues that the Government of Karnataka determines in future, payable by him in terms of the extant provisions of the MMDR Act, 1957 and the rules framed there under, to the Government of Karnataka arising from mining activity undertaken by him in Karnataka in the past, if such dues have not been determined; and
- vi. having paid the actual expenses incurred by the Government of Karnataka on mine exploration, preparation of Provisional R&R Plans, survey, construction of pillars and DGPS survey within 60 days of issue of letter of intent. This amount is equal to **Rs 8,04,62,037/- (Rupees Eight Crore Four Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Thirty Seven Only)**.

The above activities shall be completed by the Preferred Bidder in accordance with the timelines mentioned in the Tender Document.

(b) **Signing of the Mine Development and Production Agreement (MDPA)**

**MSPL Limited** shall sign the Mine Development and Production Agreement with the Government of Karnataka upon obtaining all consents, approvals, permits, no-objections and the like as may be required under Applicable Laws for commencement of mining operations.

(c) **Grant of mining lease**

Subsequent to execution of the MDPA, **MSPL Limited** shall pay the third instalment of the Upfront Payment which is **Rs. 53,49,73,989/- (Rupees Fifty Three Crore Forty Nine Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Nine Only)**. Upon such payment, the Government of Karnataka shall issue a grant order and thereafter within a period of 30 days, a mining lease shall be executed in favour of **MSPL Limited** as per Rule 10(6) of The Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015. The date of the commencement of the period for which a mining lease is granted shall be the date on which a duly executed mining lease is registered.



#### 4. Validity

- 4.1. This letter of intent is valid for a period of **30 months** from the date of its issuance, within which time all the above conditions must be fulfilled and the Mining Lease Deed must be executed between **MSPL Limited** and the Government of Karnataka. In case **MSPL Limited** is unable to fulfil all or any of the above conditions, then it may submit an application to Government of Karnataka, requesting for further extension. It is in the sole discretion of the Government of Karnataka to extend the validity of this letter of Intent after **MSPL Limited** submits the reasons/justification for non-compliance with any of the conditions; which shall be due to events beyond the control of **MSPL Limited**.
- 4.2. If the Government of Karnataka is satisfied that a longer period is required to enable **MSPL Limited** to satisfy all or any of the above conditions, it may extend the validity of this letter of intent for such period or periods as the Government of Karnataka may specify.
- 4.3. It is amply clarified that **MSPL Limited** is obligated to make Annual Payments as per the provisions of the Tender Document.

Kindly return the duplicate copy of this Letter of Intent duly signed by authorized signatory of the Company and furnish a suitable Board Resolution in token of having accepted the above terms and conditions. The accepted copy of Letter of Intent along with Board resolution should be submitted latest by 22.10.2018.

  
DIRECTOR  
Department of Mines & Geology.  
6/10/2018

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

No: DMG-17012/8/2018/2019-20  
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Office of the Director  
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Khanija Bhavan, Race Course Road  
Bangalore-1 Date: 23.12.2019  
Email id: [dir-mines@karnataka.gov.in](mailto:dir-mines@karnataka.gov.in)

✓ To,  
M/s MSPL Limited  
Baldota Enclave,  
Abheraj Baldota Road,  
Hosapete - 583203

23 DEC 2019

**Sub:** Letter of intent to acknowledge the Preferred Bidder as Successful Bidder with reference to e-auction dated 06.09.2018 for grant of iron ore mining lease for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" Block in Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluka, Ballari District over an extent of 60.66 Hectare Area of Forest land.

**1. Background:**

- 1.1 The Director, Department of Mines and Geology, Karnataka, issued the notification and notice inviting tender dated 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018 for grant of mining lease for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" located in Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluka and Ballari District of Karnataka (the "Tender Document") pursuant to the Hon'ble Supreme Court judgments and orders in Samaj Parivartana Samudaya and Ors. Vs. State of Karnataka and Ors in W.P.(C) No. 562 of 2009, the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (the "Act") and the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 (the "Rules"). The e-auction process was conducted in accordance with the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 after completion of first and second round of e-auction for the said mineral block MSPL Limited was declared as the "Preferred Bidder" in accordance with Rule 9(4)(b)(iii) of the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015.
- 1.2 The upfront payment being an amount equal to 0.50% of Value of Estimated Resources (VER) for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" Block is Rs. 66,87,17,487/- (Rupees Sixty Six Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seventeen




- Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Seven Only).** As required under Rule 10(1) of the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015, **MSPL Limited** has deposited the first installment of the upfront payment, being ten percent of the upfront payment, of Rs. 6,68,71,749/- (**Rupees Six Crore Sixty Eight Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Nine Only**) through Demand Draft (DD) bearing No. 986160 dated: 20.09.2018 which was received on 24.09.2018.
- 1.3 It has been confirmed that the Bidder has submitted a declaration stating that the Bidder is continuing to be in compliance with all the terms and conditions of eligibility as per the Tender Document.
- 1.4 The Second Installment of the upfront payment for "Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148" Block being ten percent of the upfront payment Rs. 66,87,17,487/- (**Rupees Sixty Six Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Seven Only**) as required under Rule 10(3) of the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015, which is Rs. 6,68,71,749/- (**Rupees Six Crore Sixty Eight Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Nine Only**) has been deposited by MSPL Limited through Demand Draft (DD) bearing Nos. 409589, 409590, 409591, 409592, 409593, 409594 & 409595 dated: 01.10.2019.
- 1.5 The Bidder has furnished the Performance Security pursuant to the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 valid for the period specified in the MDPA, for an amount equal to 0.5% of Value of Estimated Resources and is INR 66,87,17,487/- (**Rupees Sixty Six Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Seven Only**). Pursuant to sub-rule (1) of rule 12 of the Auction Rules, the Performance Security shall be adjusted every five years so that it continues to correspond to 0.50% of the reassessed value of estimated resources determined in accordance with the Auction Rules. In such case, bank guarantee constituting the Performance Security shall be substituted with another bank guarantee of the same value issued in accordance with Clause 10.2 of the Tender Document, which is for the revised amount or if the Performance Security has been provided through a security deposit, additional amount towards security deposit shall be provided;

- 1.6 The Bidder submitted through a declaration that he is satisfying the conditions specified in clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Act with respect to a mining plan;
- 1.7 Bidder has submitted declaration that he had cleared all dues to the Government of Karnataka arising from mining activity that the preferred bidder has undertaken in Karnataka in the past, if such dues have been determined to be payable by him in terms of the extant provisions of the MMDR Act, 1957 and the rules framed there under, along with an undertaking that he shall also clear, all dues that the Government of Karnataka determines in future, payable by him in terms of the extant provisions of the MMDR Act, 1957 and the rules framed there under, to the Government of Karnataka arising from mining activity undertaken by him in Karnataka in the past, if such dues have not been determined;
- 1.8 Bidder had already paid the actual expenses incurred by the Government of Karnataka on mine exploration, preparation of Provisional R&R Plans, survey, construction of pillars and DGPS survey i.e. amount **Rs 8,04,62,037/- (Rupees Eight Crore Four Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Thirty Seven Only)** through DD bearing No. **987569** dated **03.12.2018**, which was received at the Directorate of Mines and Geology on 05.12.2018.

## **2. Grant of Letter of acknowledgement as Successful Bidder**

- 2.1 Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 10(3) of the Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015, the Government of Karnataka is issuing this letter of Acknowledgement to **MSPL Limited** as Successful Bidder for **"Sri H G Rangangouda, ML No: 2148"** Block in Dharmapura village, Sandur Taluka, Ballari District over an extent of 60.66 Hectare Area of Forest land.

## **3. Conditions**

- 3.1 **MSPL Limited** shall be granted the mining lease only upon satisfactory completion of all the requirements and submission of all the statutory clearances under the Act, the rules made there under and the Tender Document. 



3.2 For reference, the current requirements under the Rules and the Tender Document for grant of the mining lease are reiterated below. It is clarified that the requirements mentioned below are only for reference and in the event of any change in Applicable Law, the requirements under the modified law, shall be applicable.

a) Signing of the Mine Development and Production Agreement (MDPA)


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Subsequent to execution of the MDPA, **MSPL Limited** shall pay the **third installment** of the Upfront Payment which is **Rs. 53,49,73,989/- (Rupees Fifty Three Crore Forty Nine Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Nine Only)**. Upon such payment the Government of Karnataka shall grant the mining lease to **MSPL Limited**.

There after within a period of **30 days Successful bidder** shall execute the lease deed. The date of the commencement of the period for which a mining lease is granted shall be the date on which a duly executed mining lease is registered.

4. Validity

4.1 This letter is valid for a period of **Three** years from the date of its issuance, within such time all the above conditions must be fulfilled and the Mining Lease Deed must be executed between **MSPL Limited** and the Government of Karnataka. In case **MSPL Limited** is unable to fulfill all or any of the above conditions, then it may submit an application to Government of Karnataka, requesting for further extension. It is in the sole discretion of the Government of Karnataka to extend the validity of this letter. 

- 4.2 If the Government of Karnataka is satisfied that an admissible period is required to enable **MSPL Limited** to satisfy all or any of the above conditions, it may extend the validity of this letter of intent for such period or periods as the Government of Karnataka may specify.
- 4.3 It is amply clarified that **MSPL Limited** is obligated to make Annual Payments /Periodic payments and any other payments as may be applicable as per the provisions of the Tender Document.

Yours faithfully

  
DIRECTOR





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PROPOSED ROAD DETAIL

STATION	LENGTH (M)	AREA (HA)	REMARKS
A - B	400.00	10.00	ROAD
B - C	400.00	10.00	ROAD
TOTAL AREA		4.00	

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PROJECT

SWAMYAMALAI BLOCK FOREST,  
DHARMAPURA VILLAGE  
SANDUR TALUK,  
BALLARI DIST.,  
KARNATAKA

for MSPL LIMITED

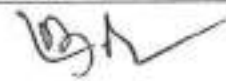
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**Cost Benefit Analysis for the Project over a 50 year period for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ( ML.No.2148) of M/s MSPL Limited over an extent of 64.86Ha.**

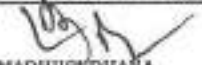
SL. No.	Losses in Crores		Benefits in Crores	
1	Ecosystem Services losses due to proposed forest diversion	32.88	Benefit to the Project Proponent	813.79
2	Loss of animal husbandry productivity, including loss of fodder	3.29	Benefit to Economy	12240.93
3	Possession value of forest land diverted	9.86	Population benefited due to the specific project	16.28
4	Habitat Fragmentation Cost	16.44	Benefit to the employees	101.52
5	Compensatory afforestation & Soil and Moisture conservation Cost	11.48	Economic Benefits due to Compensatory afforestation cost	5.21
	Total Losses	73.95	Total Benefits	13177.72
<b>Cost Benefit Ratio</b>		<b>1</b>	:	<b>178</b>

  
**K.MADHUSUDHANA**  
**VP-MINES & CC**  
**MSPL LIMITED**

**Cost Benefit Analysis for the Project over a 50 year period for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine of M/s MSPL Limited over an extent of 32.49Ha. ( ML Area-60.66 , Road -4.20Ha)**

**3. Evaluation of the Benefits**

SNo.	Parameters	Mining Project
1.	Increase in productivity attributable to the specific project.	<p>1. Total Mineable reserves = 6,01,60,000 Tonnes</p> <p>2. Cost of the iron ore per tonne which the project proponent used to acquire in the past = Rs.2800 per tonne</p> <p>3. Estimated Cost of iron ore if produced by the project proponent = Rs. 2034.73*350*280=2664.73 Per tonne</p> <p>4. Profit to the project proponent after starting this project for 50 years = (2800-2664.73)*60.16= 813.78Cr.</p> <p>5. Payments to be made against various royalties, taxes in NMET, POF, DMP and DMG Royalty = 146.7%on total mineable reserves as per the IBM Sale Price = 12241Cr</p> <p>6. Net benefit to the project proponent for 50 years = 813.78Cr.</p>
2.	Benefits to economy due to the specific project	<p>A. Total mineable iron ore reserves =6,01,60,000Tonnes</p> <p>B. Average Sales price of iron ore as per IBM(Karnataka)- = Rs 1367 April-21 per tonne</p> <p>C. I. Premium to Govt = -129.90% .</p> <p>ii. Other Levies</p> <p>DMG Royalty = 15 % of IBM Sale price</p> <p>DMP = 10 % of Royalty(Accrued Net)</p> <p>NMET = 02 % of Royalty.</p> <p>Grand Total =146.7 % of IBM Sale Price</p> <p>D. Total benefit to economy of Govt =12,241 Cr</p>
3.	No. of population benefited due to specific project	Keeping straight 2% of the net profit in CSR Activities = 0.02*813.78 = 16.27 Crores
4.	Economic benefits due to the direct and indirect employment due to the project.	<p>Total benefit to the employees per annum = 2.03 Crores per annum</p> <p>Total Benefit to the employees for 50years =101.5 Cr.</p>
5.	Economic Benefits due to Compensatory afforestation charges	Rs.5.21 (Guidelines for Forest diversion of forest land for non forestry purpose under forest conservation act 1980 Guidelines. For Collection of NPV, NPV charges taken @ 8.03/La/Ha
<b>Total Benefit</b>		
		<b>Total Loss of the forest: 37.025 Cr</b>
		<b>Total benefits: 13177.76</b>
		<b>Cost Benefit Ratio: 1 : 32</b>

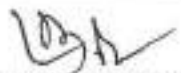
  
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**Cost Benefit Analysis for the Project over a 50 year period for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ( Old ML.No.2148) of M/s MSPL Limited over an extent of 64.86Ha ( ML Area-60.66 , Road -4.20Ha)**

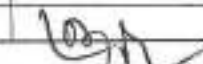
**1. Applicability of Cost Benefit Analysis**

SNo.	Nature of Proposal	Applicable /not applicable	Remarks
1.	All categories of proposals involving forest land up to 20 hectares in plains and up to 5 hectares in hills.	Not applicable	These proposals are to be considered on case by case basis and value judgement.
2.	Proposal for defence installation purposes and oil prospecting (prospecting only)	Not applicable	In view of National Priority accorded to these sectors, the proposals would be critically assessed to help ascertain that the utmost minimum forest land above is diverted for non-forest use.
3.	Habitation, establishment of industrial units, tourist lodges/complex and other building construction	Not applicable	These activities being detrimental to protection and conservation of forest, as a matter of policy, such proposals would be rarely entertained.
4.	All other proposals involving forest land more than 20 hectares in plains and more than 5 ha. in hills including roads, transmission lines, minor, medium and major irrigation projects, hydel projects mining activity, railway lines, location specific installations like micro-wave stations, auto repeater centres, T.V. towers etc.	Applicable	These are cases where a cost-benefit analysis is necessary to determine when diverting the forest land to non-forest use is in the overall public interests.

  
**K.MADHUSUDHANA**  
 VP-MINES & CC  
 MSPL LIMITED

**Cost Benefit Analysis for the Project over a 50 year period for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ( Old ML.No.2148) of M/s MSPL Limited over an ext. 64.86Ha ( ML Area-60.66 , Road -4.20Ha)**


1	Tapashtert No	1	57A/8 & 57/12		
2	Location	1	Narasimha Iron Ore Mine, Ballari District, Karnataka State.		
3	Extent	1	64.86	Ha	ML Area -60.66Ha , Road - 4.20 Ha
4	Unbroken Area	1	13.74	Ha	Unbroken up area
5	Density of Forest growth	1	0.4		Density of forest /Ha
6	<b>A. Evaluation of Losses</b>				
7	<b>I. Ecosystem Services losses due to proposed forest diversion : (Soil erosion, effect on hydrological cycle, wildlife habitat, microclimate upsetting of ecological balance)</b>				
8	Ecosystem Services losses due to proposed forest diversion	=	328814250	Rs.	(Env losses/Ha for density 1 X Forest density/Ha X PC proposed area)-Env loss/Ha -12674000
9		=	32.88	Cr.	
10	<b>II. Loss of animal husbandry productivity, including loss of fodder</b>				
11	Loss of animal husbandry productivity, including loss of fodder	=	3.29	Cr.	10 % of the NPV of the forest as per the new guidelines
12	<b>III. Possession value of forest land diverted</b>				
13	Possession value of forest land diverted	=	9.86	Cr.	30 % of environmental costs (NPV) due to loss of forest or circle as per the new guidelines
14	<b>IV. Habitat Fragmentation Cost</b>				
15	Habitat Fragmentation Cost	=	16.441	Cr.	50 % of the environmental cost (NPV) as a thumb's rule as per the new guidelines
16	<b>V. Compensatory afforestation &amp; Soil and Moisture conservation Cost</b>				
17	Compensatory afforestation & Soil and Moisture conservation Cost	=	11.08	Cr.	Rs.17.08 Lakhs per Ha as Per Letter No.37D/11a/PP/AS-3(GFI)/34/2019-PC dated 19.04.2021
18	Soil and Moisture conservation Cost	=	0.4	Cr.	
19	Total losses due to forest diversion	=	73.55	Cr.	
20	<b>B. Benefits Evaluation</b>				
21	<b>I. Benefit to the Project Proponent</b>				
22	Estimated Iron Ore reserves in forest area	=	60160000	Million Tonnes	Mineable Reserves - tonnes
23	The cost at which project proponent used to acquire iron ore in the	=	2800	Rs./tonne	Average iron ore acquiring and dispatch cost per tonne
24	Value of the mineral/tonne	=	2664.73	Rs./tonne	Planthead value of Iron Ore due to this project. Mining cost -3500Rs. transportation cost-280
25	Benefit to the project proponent by starting the production in this	=	8137901360	Rs./tonne	Benefit/total mineable reserves
26	project	=	813.79	Cr.	Total revenue generated if this project is approved by Govt & Govt.
27	Total Benefit to the project proponent	=	814	Cr.	(Benefit after starting the project - Deductions/Payments to be made to pay various taxes, royalties to the Govt. of Karnataka
28	<b>II. Benefit to the economy</b>				
29	Sale price of Iron Ore as per IBM in Karnataka	=	1387	Rs.	As per IBM ASP Below 55% Fe , April-2021
30	Total premium to Govt.	=	129.90%	%	To be paid on Dispatch IBM Sale Price
31	DMG Royalty	=	15.09%	%	% of IBM Sale Price
32	DMF	=	10.09%	%	% of DMG Royalty
33	NMET	=	1.500%	%	% of IBM Sale Price
34		=	2%	%	% of Royalty
35		=	0.300%	%	% of IBM Sale Price
36	FDF	=	0.000%	%	% of IBM Sale Price
37	Total % Benefit to economy	=	146.70%	%	% of IBM Sale Price
38	Total Benefit to the Economy	=	122409256640.0	Rs.	All kind of levies including charges by Forest Dept., DMG etc.
39		=	12240.93	Cr.	
40	<b>III. Population benefited due to the specific project</b>				
41	Population benefited due to the specific project	=	16.28	Cr.	Keeping 2% of the net profit as the benefits to the population (CSR activities)
42	<b>IV. Total benefit to Employees</b>				
43	V. Economic Benefits due to Compensatory afforestation cost	=	5.21	Cr.	Guidelines for Forest diversion of forest land for non forestry purpose under forest conservation act 1980 Guidelines. For Calculation of NPV, NPV charges taken @8.031a/11a
44	Total Benefit due to the Project	=	13178	Cr.	
45	C. Benefit to Cost Ratio	=	178.1010		
46	Cost Benefit Ratio	1	178	Ratio	

  
**H.MADHUSUDHARA**  
**VP-MINES & CC**  
**MSPL LIMITED**



**Cost Benefit Analysis for the Project over a 50 year period for Narasimha Iron Ore Mine ( Old ML.No.2563) of M/s MSPL Limited over an extent of 64.86Ha. ( ML Area-60.66 , Road -4.20Ha)**

2. Evaluation of Loss of Forest		
S. No.	Parameters	Mining Project
1.	Ecosystem service losses due to proposed forest diversion	<p>The details of environmental losses are identified as per the given thumb rule for the forest area required for the project are as follows:</p> <p>1.] Density of the forest: 0.4</p> <p>2.] Avg. density of the forest land to be diverted: 0.4</p> <p>3.] Thumb rule for the environment losses per Ha. for density 1.0 over a period of 50 Years (In Lacs): 126.74 Lacs</p> <p>4.] Environmental loss per Ha. of forest land to be diverted: <math>0.4 \times 126.74</math> Lacs: 50.696 Lacs.</p> <p>5.] Total forest area required to be diverted: 64.86Ha.</p> <p>6.] Total Environmental loss due to forest land diversion: <math>50.696 \times 64.86</math> Lacs</p> <p>7.] Total Environmental loss due to forest land diversion: 3288.1426</p> <p>8.] Total Environmental loss due to forest land diversion per year: <math>3288.1426/50</math> = 65.76 Lacs per year</p> <p>9.] Total Environmental loss due to forest land diversion for 50 years: ~32.88 Cr</p>
2.	Loss of animal husbandry productivity, including loss of fodder	10 % of the Net Present Value (environmental services losses) = $0.10 \times 32.88$ Crores = 3.288 Cr
3.	Cost of human resettlement	There is no loss involved on account of human resettlement.
4.	Loss of public facilities and administrative infrastructure (Roads, buildings, schools, dispensaries, electric lines, railway etc) on forest land, or which would require forest land if these facilities were diverted due to the project.	No administrative infrastructure such as roads, buildings, schools, dispensaries, electric line, railway, etc are affected due to diversion of forest land in this project. There will be no loss involved on this account.
5.	Possession Value of forest land diverted	30 % of the Net Present Value (environmental services losses) = $0.30 \times 32.88$ Crores = 10Cr
6.	Cost of suffering to oustees	There will not be any losses on this account as diversion of the forest land to this project will not affect any house or structure.
7.	Habitat Fragmentation Cost	50 % of the Net Present Value (environmental services losses) = $0.50 \times 32.88$ Crores = 16cr
8.	Compensatory afforestation & Soil and Moisture conservation plan	<b>Rs. 11.478</b> (Rs. 17.08 Lakhs per Ha as Per Letter No:KPD/HePP/AS-3(CFL)/34/2019-PC dated 19.04.2021)
<b>Total Loss to environment</b>		<b>73.95 Cr</b>

  
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**COMBINED SKETCH AREA SHOWING "SRI. H.G.RANGANGOUDA, ML No 2148" ALLOTTED TO M/s. MSPL LIMITED  
IN SM BLOCK FOREST, SANDUR SOUTH RANGE, SANDUR TALUK, BALLARI DIVISION, BALLARI DISTRICT KARNATAKA STATE**

E 663700

E 664700

N 1664300



THE DETAILS OF SURVEY AND DEMARCATION IN AS FOLLOWS  
AS PER MAHAZAR

SL.No	REFERENCE / ML CORNER POINTS	TOTAL STATION READINGS		GPS CO-ORDINATES - DATUM WGS 84	
		X	Y	LATITUDE	LOGITUDE
1	1	5291.421	2478.519	N 15 02 34.5	E 76 32 05.0
2	2	4949.115	2146.390	N 15 02 23.8	E 76 31 53.7
3	3	4054.886	3145.497	N 15 02 56.4	E 76 31 23.8
4	4	4299.137	3336.394	N 15 03 02.5	E 76 31 31.9
5	5	4634.974	3222.084	N 15 02 58.8	E 76 31 43.2

JOINT SURVEY DOPS CO-ORDINATES OF M.L. BOUNDARY POINTS  
MAP DATUM :- WGS-84

SL. NO.	POINT ID	GEOGRAPHIC CO-ORDINATES		UTM CO-ORDINATES		
		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	EASTING	NORTHING	ELEVATION
1	LBC-1	N15° 02' 34.56234"	E76° 32' 05.06362"	664980.222	1663648.290	924.612
2	LBC-2	N15° 02' 23.77156"	E76° 31' 53.59217"	664639.909	1663314.269	926.813
3	LBC-3	N15° 02' 56.30765"	E76° 31' 23.70140"	663740.260	1664308.000	725.957
4	LBC-4	N15° 03' 02.51540"	E76° 31' 31.88420"	663983.328	1664500.490	913.455
5	LBC-5	N15° 02' 58.78238"	E76° 31' 43.12497"	664319.833	1664388.087	868.381

PARTICULARS	HECTARES	ACRES	REMARKS
AREA AS PER THE EXISTING BOUNDARY PILLARS (PREVIOUS LESSEE) DEMARKED BY CEC	54.77	135.28	
LEASE AREA AS PER CEC DIGITIZATION SKETCH	60.66	149.83	BOTH AREAS ARE SAME IN POSITION
LEASE AREA AS PER DGPS JOING SURVEY	60.66	149.83	
ENCROACHMENT AREA AS FINALISED BY CEC (OTHERS)	21.66	53.46	

SYM.	PARTICULARS
[Pink outline]	FIRST LEASE AREA
[Orange outline]	AREA AS PER LEASE DEED SKETCH
[Blue outline]	AREA AS PER S & D REPORT
[Green outline]	AREA AS PER EXISTING BOUNDARY PILLARS
[Yellow outline]	AREA UNDER ACTUAL DOCUMENT (INCLUDING ENCROACHMENT)
[Light blue outline]	AREA UNDER ENCROACHMENT
[Red outline]	MINING PIT
[Brown outline]	OVER BURDEN DUMPS
[Black outline]	ROADS
[Dashed line]	OTHERS
[Double line]	APPROACH ROAD
[Star symbol]	BOUNDARY POINTS
[Circle with dot]	OVER BURDEN DUMP TOP
[Square with dot]	OVER BURDEN DUMP BOTTOM
[Triangle]	MINING PIT
[Circle]	STACK TOP
[Square]	STACK BOTTOM
[Rectangle]	SEIZED STACK

BOUNDARIES	
NORTH	S.M. BLOCK FOREST
SOUTH	S.M. BLOCK FOREST
EAST	S.M. BLOCK FOREST
WEST	S.M. BLOCK FOREST

N 1663300

E 663700

E 664700

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## **Undertaking for Non-forest Compensatory Afforestation Land**

It is to certify that I/We M/s. MSPL Limited had applied Forest Clearance under Sec-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. For the diversion of 64.86 Ha forest area for mining lease and approach road (erstwhile lessee of M/s HG Ranganagouda ML No: 2148).

It has been mentioned in the query raised by the MoEF, New Delhi that, out of 4.18 hectares of approach road, 2.03 hectares is overlapping with reserve forest. We would like to clarify that, the entire 4.18 hectares of land is private land purchased by the MSPL Limited. Suitability Certificate has been issued by the DCF, Belagavi in this regard. Hence the issue of overlapping doesn't arise. We also hereby give undertaking that, in case the same has been established by the forest department, MSPL Limited will give separate 2.03 hectares of CA land if condition imposed by the Forest Advisory Committee, MoEF &CC, New Delhi in future.

As per the Hand Book of FC Act 1980, FC rules, 2003 (Guidelines & Clarifications) MoEF &CC GOI, 2019. The compensatory Afforestation is to Compensate the loss of 'Land by Land and Loss of Trees by Trees'. On the basic, the erstwhile lessee given CA land has been considered and balance CA land is given by us

Place: Bangalore

Date: 11/10/2021

Thanking you.

FOR MSPL LIMITED



Dr. HY Desai

Vice President – Corporate Communications