

No.M1/MNG/Kirloskar/Approach Road/CR-28/
2022-23
Enclosures: 04Sets.



Office of the
Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari,
Dated: 15-08-2024.

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To,

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

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 4.035 ha (Revised from 5.476) of Approach road to ML
No. 0016 in Hulikunte Village, Swamymalai Block, Sandur South
Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s. Kirloskar
Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli.
Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/143973/2021

Ref: 1) Online proposal received electronically on 28-3-2022 from your
office.
2) Letter No. M1/MNG/JSW/ML No. 008(995)/Approach Road/ 2019-
20 dtd. 30-9-2022 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari
Division, Ballari.
3) This office even No. dated. 15.12.2022.
4) Letter M1/MNG/Kirloskar/ROAD/2021-22 (5.4476 ha) dtd. 07-8-
2024 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari.

In light of the directions issued by your goodself through online portal (1) cited under
reference supra, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari in his letter (2) cited
above has submitted the hard copy proposal for renewal of lease over an extent of 4.035 ha
Revised from 5.476) of Approach road to ML No. 0016 in Hulikunte Village, Swamymalai Block,
Sandur South Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries
Limited, Bevinahalli under section-2 of the Forest(Conservation) Act, 1980.

The then Chief Conservator of Forests has personally inspected the proposed forest land on
14-12-2022 and verified the ground. During their field inspection he was invariably noticed that,
out of 4.035 ha. of forest land proposed for diversion, the Segment-3 over an extent of 0.485 ha.
and Segment 5 over an extent of 0.904 ha. which is totally to 1.389 ha. of forest land is overlapping
on the forest land for which Stage-I (in-principle) approval was already accorded under FC Act for
carrying out the mining activities in favour of M/s. KIOCL Bengaluru.

Further, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari has been directed vide this office letter
(3) cited above, to look into the same and ask the above user agency to revise their proposal
holistically and to re-submit the same duly visualizing all the facts.

Accordingly, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari in his letter (4) cited above, has submitted that, the User Agency has furnished the NOC from M/s. KIOCL Limited for Segment-3 (0.485 Ha) & Segment-5 (0.904 Ha) that, total extent of 1.389 ha. passes through FC obtained area of M/s. KIOCL Limited and it is reported that, the User Agency will submit a re-diversion proposal in Form-D through Parivesh 2.0 under Section-2 of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

On going through the self contained reports submitted by the Deputy Conservators of Forests, Ballari and Form-A Part-II duly filled by them, the following salient features are forthcoming:

M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited has applied for renewal of Forest Clearance for 24.47 hectare of forest land in Ranjithpura Village, Swamymalai (SM) Block, Sandur South Range, Ballari District vide online proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/46164/2020[FORM-B]. In this proposal, the Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division) Bangalore has accorded In-principal/Stage-I clearance approval vide F.No. 4-KRC1279/2021-BAN/117 dtd. 21-4-2022. In this regard, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari has submitted compliance report to conditions imposed in Stage-I approval vide his letter dated. 1-9-2022, accordingly, the compliance report and relevant documents has submitted to your office on dt. 6-9-2022 for further action.

Details of Approach road:

- a. **Extent of Approach Road:** It is reported that, the user agency has submitted proposal for diversion of 5.4476 ha of forest for approach road for ML No. 0016. After field verification the proposed approach road concluded is 5.424. Out of this 1.389 ha. falls in M/s. KIOCL applied area for which Stage-I has already approved. Therefore, after reducing this area for 4.035 ha. (5.424 ha. – 1.389 ha). The details of Approach road is as follows;

Segment-wise Area Calculation for Approach Road				
Segment	Forest			
	Length (KM)	Width (Mtr)	Area (Ha.)	Remarks
Segment-1	2.731	10.00	2.730	Swamymalai Forest Block
Segment-2	0.486	10.00	0.485	Swamymalai Forest Block (Area falls in M/s. KIOCL applied area which State-I approved)
Segment-3	0.412	10.00	0.409	Swamymalai Forest Block
Segment-4	0.904	10.00	0.904	Swamymalai Forest Block (Area falls in M/s. KIOCL applied area which State-I approved)
Segment-5	0.660	10.00	0.658	Swamymalai Forest Block
Segment-6	0.238	10.00	0.238	Swamymalai Forest Block
	5.431		5.424	

b. **Net Present Value (NPV):** The NPV amount has been revised as per the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dtd. 28-3-2008, 24-4-2008 and 9-5-2008 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/1995 and the guidelines issued by the Ministry vide its letter No. 5-3/2007-FC dated 5-2-2009, 6-1-2022, 19-1-2022 & 23-4-2022 (i.e. Rs. 12,28,590/- per hectare). Hence, the NPV amount as per existing rates i.e., Rs. 49,57,361/- may be recovered from lessee i.e. M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli over an extent of 4.035 ha. In this regard undertaking has obtained from the user agency.

c. **Compensatory Afforestation:** It is reported that, M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli has identified the following Patta lands for raising of compensatory afforestation.

Sl.No.	District	Taluka	Village	Sy.No.	Extent Proposed (in Ha.)
1.	Ballari	Sandur	Vitalapur	172/2	0.91
2.	Ballari	Sandur	Tumati	65	3.42
3.	Ballari	Sandur	Tumati	11/1	1.01
					5.34

M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli has agreed and given undertaking for making of payment for Compensatory Afforestation charges.

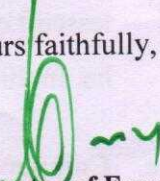
d. Certificate in Form-II under Forest Rights Act, 2006 from the Deputy Commissioner is not been issued. However, M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli has requested to the Deputy Commissioner, Ballari for issuance of the same. Copy of the request letter is enclosed with the proposal.

e. It is reported that, the proposed forest land is not part of National Park, Wildlife sanctuary, Biosphere reserve, Tiger reserve and Elephant corridor, etc. Further, the proposed area is 22.02 km away from the Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary and 20.5 kms away from Eco-Sensitive Zone of Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary, 11.22 km away from the Gudekote Sloth Bear Sanctuary and 9.95 km away from Eco-sensitive zone of Gudekote Bloth Bear Sanctuary.

In view of the facts as categorically narrated above, the aforesaid existing approach road proposed for diversion by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari, the request of the above user agency in seeking diversion of forest land over an extent of 4.035 ha for the usage of approach road is quite genuine and deserves positive consideration. Moreover, it also ensures the user agency for smooth and safe transportation of ore from the mine head. Therefore, I request your

goodself to move the matter with the Government for according prior approval for diversion of forest land over an extent 4.035 ha for diversion of approach road in favour of M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli subject to fulfillment of the terms and conditions as enlisted in the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. The necessary proposal in 4 sets is submitted for your kind perusal and further needful action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,


Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari.

1. Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari for information.
2. Copy to M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli for information.

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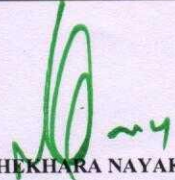
PART-III

(To be filled by the concerned Conservator of Forests)

1	Whether site, where the forest land involved is located has been inspected by concerned Conservator of Forests (Yes/No). If yes, the date of inspection and observations made in the form of inspection note to be enclosed.	No. However, I agree with the field inspection made by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division.
2	Whether the concerned Conservator of Forests agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests.	I agree with the information given in Part-II and the recommendations of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari.
3	Specific recommendation of concerned Conservator of Forests for acceptance of otherwise of the proposal with detailed reasons.	The diversion of forest land to the tune of 4.035 ha. of forest land for approach road to ML No. 0016 in Hulikunte Village, Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s. Kirloskar Ferrous Industries Limited, Bevinahalli in may be recommended as per the provision of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

Place: Ballari
Date: 15-08-2024

Signature:
Seal :


(CHANDRASHEKHARA NAYAKA K.)
Conservator of Forests,
Bellary Circle, Bellary.