

Site Inspection Report

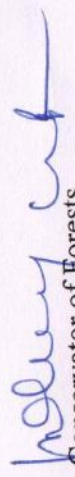
I have inspected the proposed diversion of 5.271 hectares of forest area for Approach Road, Downhill Pipe Conveyor (DPC) and Service Road for DPC for Devadari Iron Ore Mine ML No. 2290 on 27.01.2018 in Swamymalai Block of Sandur South Range, Lakshimpura village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari Dist, from forest boundary to lease boundary of Swamymalai Forest block and cross checked with GPS Readings marked on DGPS surveyed map for both i.e. approach road and downhill conveyor corridor (DPC). The details of forest area is as follows:

Sl. No.	Description of area applied	Length in meter	Width in meter	Total area	
				In Sqm	In Ha
1	Existing approach road	2592	10	25920	2.592
2	Approach road in virgin area	1155	10	11550	1.155
3	Service Road-1	298	10	2980	0.298
4	Service Road-2	202	10	2020	0.202
5	Service Road-3	170	10	1700	0.170
6	Downhill Conveyor	712	12	8544	0.854
	Total				5.271

Swamymalai Forest Blocks in Sandur South Range is a notified forest under Section-04 of Karnataka Forest Act, 1963 vide Notification No. FFD-29, FAF-84, Dated: 28.02.1985. The proposed forest area is having Eco- class III, Southern Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest. The proposed forest land is not part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc and the proposed project area is 16.26 km away from the Gudekote Bear Sanctuary and 17.34 km away from Daroji Bear Sanctuary.

The proposed forest land for Approach Road, Downhill Pipe Conveyor (DPC) and Service Road for DPC is recommended as per directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in its W.P.No.562/2009 and guidelines issued by Central Empowered Committee (CEC) for transportation of minerals through Conveyor belt and Railway sidings which will minimize the pollution and vehicular traffic in the project area.

Dated: 09.02.2018.
Place: Ballari.


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