

FORM – 'A'

PART – II

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

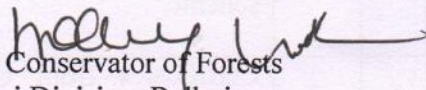
State Serial No of Proposal _____

7.	Location of the Project / Scheme: Downhill Pipe Conveyor for Bhadhra Iron Ore Mine ML No. 2365 & Tunga Iron Ore Mine ML No. 2366 (New M.L.No.0004) of M/s JSW Steel Ltd, Toranagallu.		
i.	State/Union Territory	:	Karnataka
ii.	District.	:	Bellary
iii.	Forest Division	:	Bellary Forest Division
iv.	Area of forest land proposed for diversion (in ha.)	:	0.604 hectares.
v	Legal status of forest	:	Reserve Forest Donimalai Forest Block in Sandur South Range declared under Section-04 of Karnata Forest Act, 1963 and Notified vide Notification No. FFD-29, FAF-84, Dated: 28.02.1985.
vi	Density of vegetation.	:	Eco- class III, Southern Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest.
vii	Species-wise (scientific names) and diameter class-wise enumeration of trees (to be enclosed. In case of irrigation / hydel projects enumeration at FRL, FRL-2 meter & FRL-4 meter also to be enclosed.)	:	List of trees enumerated in the proposed forest area with girth and species wise is enclosed.
viii	Brief note on vulnerability of the forest area to erosion.	:	The proposed forest area for Downhill Pipe Conveyor is running along with steep slope of hillock due to implementation of project, it is vulnerable to soil erosion and loss of vegetation. Hence, the user agency is advised to take up soil and moisture Conservation & Afforestation works along the Downhill Pipe Conveyor.
ix.	Approximate distance of proposed site for diversion from boundary of forest.	:	The proposed downhill pipe conveyor project runs through revenue land, notified forest land and forest leased area of M.L.No.2365 & 2366 (New M.L.No.0004). The same is marked in sketch.

	x	Whether forms part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc. (If so, the details of the area and comments of the Chief Wildlife Warden to be annexed)	:	The proposed forest land is not part of National Park, wildlife sanctuary, biosphere reserve, tiger reserve, elephant corridor, etc. The proposed project area is 18.4 km away from the Gudekote Bear Sanctuary and 11.2 km away from Daroji Bear Sanctuary.
	xi	Whether any rare/endangered/unique species of flora and fauna found in the area- if so details thereof	:	The Flora and fauna observed in proposed area are, Flora: <i>Acacia catechu</i>, <i>Albizia amara</i>, <i>Anogeissus latifolia</i>, <i>Cassia fistula</i>, <i>Carissa carandus</i> and <i>Dodonia viscosa</i>. Fauna: Hares, Peafowl, Sloth Bear, Wild boar Leopard, Grey partridge and Indian porcupine.
	xii	Whether any protected archaeological/heritage site/defence establishment or any other important monument is located in the area. If so, the details thereof with NOC from competent authority, if required.	:	No archaeological/ heritage site / defence establishment or any other important monument is located inside the proposed project area.
8.		Whether the requirement of forest land as proposed by the user agency in col. 2 of Part-I is unavoidable and barest minimum for the project. If no, recommended area item-wise with details of alternatives examined.	:	Yes, The proposed Downhill Pipe Conveyor project is 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.
9.		Whether any work in violation of the Act has been carried out (Yes/No). If yes, details of the same including period of work done, action taken on erring officials. Whether work in violation is still in progress.	:	- No-

10.	Details of compensatory afforestation scheme:		
i)	Details of non forest area/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation, its distance from adjoining forest, number of patches, size of each patch.	:	The user agency has identified non-forest area in Sy.No 10A/a1. of Gadiganur Village, Hospet Taluk, Ballari District to an extent of 0.604 ha and same has transferred and mutated infavour of Forest Department. Copy of RTC & mutation are enclosed.
ii)	Map showing non-forest/degraded forest area identified for compensatory afforestation and adjoining forest boundaries.	:	The map enclosed.
iii)	Detailed compensatory afforestation scheme including species to be planted, implementing agency, time schedule, cost structure, etc.	:	As per the CAMPA guidelines, the afforestation scheme is implemented. Datasheet is enclosed.
iv)	Total financial outlay for compensatory afforestation scheme.	:	Rs. 2,72,000 x 0.604=Rs. 1,64,288/-
v)	Certificates from competent authority regarding suitability of area identified for compensatory afforestation and from management point of view. (To be signed by the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests).	:	Enclosed.
11.	Site inspection report of the DCF (to be enclosed) especially highlighting facts asked in col. 7 (xi, xii), 8 and 9 above.	:	Site inspection report is enclosed.
12.	Division/District profile:		
i.	Geographical area of the district.	:	8420 Sq.K.M
ii.	Forest area of the district.	:	1349.53 Sq.K.M
iii.	Total forest area diverted since 1980 with number of cases.	:	6476.58 Ha and totally 91 cases covered

	iv.	Total compensatory afforestation stipulated in the district/division since 1980 on (a) forest land including penal compensatory afforestation,	:	2342.49 Ha
		(b) Non-forest land.	:	4131.92 Ha
	v.	Progress of compensatory afforestation as on (date) 31.03.2017 on (a) Forest land	:	2337.70 Ha
		(b) Non-forest land.	:	2728.00 Ha
13.	Specific recommendations of the DCF for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with reasons.			The proposed forest land for Downhill Pipe Conveyor project is recommended as per the 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.


 Deputy Conservator of Forests
 Ballari Division, Ballari

Date : 20.02.2018.
 Place : Bellary