PART - IV

(To be filled in by the Nodal Officer or Principal Chief Conservator of Forests or Head of Forest Department)

Detailed opinion & specific recommendation of the State Forest Department for acceptance or otherwise of the proposal with remarks.

(While giving opinion, the adverse comments made by concerned Conservator of Forests or Deputy Conservator of Forests should be categorically reviewed and critically commented upon). Recommended the proposal for according 'in-principle' (Stage-I) approval for diversion of 2.048 hectare of forest land in the form of existing kaccha forest path in SM Block, Kumarswamy Range, Ballari District in favour of M/s JSW Steel Ltd. for providing approach road to ML No. 2313 subject to the conditions specified in Annexure 'A' and further subject to the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court in SLP No. 20180/2010 dated 01-07-2013 regarding mining operations in proximity of the archeologically protected monuments, as the proposed approach road and ML No. 2313 are in proximity of Karthikeaya Temple.

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JAGMOHAN SHARMA IFS

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

(Forest Conservation) and Nodal Officer (FCA)

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K.S. SUGARA IFS

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

(Head of Forest Force)

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To,

Additional Chief Secretary to Government Department of Forest, Ecology and Environment M. S. Building, Bengaluru.

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of **2.048 hectare** (4.25 hectare as per Form A) of forest land in SM Block, Kumarswamy Range, Ballari District for approach road to ML No.2313 in favour of M/s JSW Steel Ltd.-reg.

Online proposal No. FP/KA/ROAD/21842 /2016

 Ref: 1. Letter No. MI/MNG/BLY/Nandi/ML.No.2313/2016-17 dated 16/22-05-2017 of Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari.

 Letter No. MI/MNG/JSW/TRF.ML2313/CR-13/2016-17 dated 17-06-2017 and 31-08-2017 of Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari.

 Inspection Note dated 17-10-2017 of Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bengaluru.

The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi vide letter F. No.8-323/1989-FC(pt)dated 12-09-2017 have accorded approval for transfer of forest clearance for diversion of 21.03 hectare (originally 21.11 hectare) forest land in respect of Category 'C' mining lease No. 2313 from erstwhile lessee M/s Hothur Traders to the successful bidder, i.e. M/s JSW Steel Ltd. Further, the Government of Karnataka vide order No. FEE 38 FFM 2017 dated 10-10-2017 have also accorded approval for transfer of FC clearance in respect of the abovementioned project.

The earlier User Agency had not obtained forest clearance (under FC Act) for use of the approach road outside the lease area. Hence, the new User Agency i.e., M/s JSW Steel Ltd. had submitted proposal through Web Portal on 17-10-2016 for diversion of 4.43 hectare (subsequently changed to 5.83 hectare and once more changed to 4.25 hectare) of forest land in SM Block, Kumarswamy Range, Ballari District for approach road to ML No.2313. The said proposal was forwarded to the Deputy

Conservator of Forests, Ballari through online on 31-12-2016 for further processing. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari division after processing the said proposal, has submitted the same to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle vide reference-1, recommending the proposal for diversion of 3.50 hectare instead of 4.25 hectare applied by UA in Form A. The Deputy Conservator of Forest, Ballari, while processing the case has suggested formation of approximately 1.35 km fresh road, to avoid passing through MMDR lease No. 1111 of M/s NMDC Ltd. However even this alignment is not able to completely bypass MMRD lease of M/s NMDC. Approximately 419 meter of the road proposed by the DCF, Ballary will have to pass through the NMDC area mandatorily.

Further, the following may be considered.

- A. Further, the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle, Ballari vide his letter dated 17-06-2017 (without PART-III) and 31-08-2017 (with PART-III) [reference-2] has submitted the proposal to this office with the following observations. In his report dated 17-06-2017, the CCF Ballari Circle, quoting the DCF Ballari Report dated 22-05-2017 has reported the following:
 - 1. The approach road is passing through proximity of Archeological important site. The part of approach road lies within 1 km distance from Parvati and Kartikeya temple (Archeological important site). In this regard, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has issued direction to the State Government to constitute a committee to examine and recommend measures with respect to restriction of the mining activities, in the portion of approach road falling within 1 km and upto 2 Kms, of archaeologically important temples / sites in Karnataka falls vide its order in SLP No.20180/2010.
 - In this present case, some portion of approach road falls within 1 Km of Parvati and Kartikeya temple, the final decision regarding mining in this area will be subject to outcome/ recommendation of the committee constituted in compliance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order in SLP No.20180/2010.
 - 3. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari, has submitted the revised road proposal duly decreasing the extent of 3.50 hectare from 4.25 hectare while conducting the joint survey of both Forest and Mines and Geology Departments. The details of approach road required in the forest land are as under:

| Stretch Marked on Map as | Length (Meters) | Average Width (Meters) | Area (Ha) | Remarks |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------|--|
| A to B | 197 | 12 | 0.24 | Portion of Road falling in virgin Forest area i.e. tree cutting to be required |
| B to C | 534 | 12 | 0.64 | Portion of Road falling in existing old approach road |
| C to D | 745 | 12 | 0.89 | Portion of Road falling in virgin |

| | | Aveor Ari | - Same | Forest area i.e. tree cutting to be required |
|--------|------|-----------|--------|--|
| D to E | 433 | 12 | 0.52 | Portion of Road falling in existing old approach road |
| E to F | 114 | 12 | 0.14 | Portion of Road falling in virgin Forest area i.e. tree cutting to be required |
| F to G | 659 | 12 | 0.79 | Portion of Road falling in existing old approach road |
| G to H | 143 | 12 | 0.17 | Portion of Road falling in virgin Forest area i.e. tree cutting to be required |
| H to I | 87 | 12 | 0.10 | Portion of Road falling in existing old approach road |
| J to K | 10 | 12 | 0.01 | Portion of Road falling in existing old approach road |
| Total | 2922 | 12 | 3.50 | |
| I to J | 419 | 12 | 0.50 | Portion of road falling in MMRD notified area of M.L.No.1111 of M/s. NMDC ltd |

- 4. The Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari, has stated that, there is no other alternate approach road to M/s JSW Steel Limited, Toranagallu and hence may be given 'right of way' to use a portion of road to the tune of 0.50 hectare which is falling in the M.L.No.1111 of M/s NMDC Limited, Donimalai.
- By virtue of declaring M/s JSW Steel Limited as a successful bidder in respect of M.L.No.2313, this instant proposal for diversion of old existing approach road may be granted for a period of 50 years co-terminus with the lease period under MMDR Amendment Act, 2015.
- 6. A portion of approach road to an extent 1.44 hectares, which is re-aligned falls inside the Forests and tree cutting required, this portion is marked on the map as A to B, C to D, E to F and G to H. Tree enumeration list is enclosed. And the remaining 2.06 hectares of approach road falls on old existing road, which is marked as B to C, D to E, F to G, H to I and I to K on the map.
- 7. The above user agency has identified non-forest land in Sy.No.74/1 of Thimalapura Village, LingasuguruTaluk, Raichur District over an extent of 3.50 hectares for raising CA plantation. But, the said non-forest land is yet to be mutated and transferred in favour of the Forest Department and the same will be submitted in due course.
- 8. The proposed approach road has already reported to have been formed by the earlier User Agency M/s Hothur Traders. Hence, suitable penalty may be imposed for raising Penal Compensatory Afforestation for regularization of the same.
- The Deputy Commissioner, Ballari has issued Form-I as required under the Forest Rights Act, 2006.

10. As reported by Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari, the stretch marked on the map as I to J over a length of 419 meters or an extent of 0.50 ha is reported to have been falling in the mining lease area bearing M.L.No.1111 of M/s. NMDC Ltd, Donimalai.

11.M/s NMDC limited, Donimalai has been asked to tender their opinion for giving consent to M/s JSW Steel Limited, Toranagallu to use the said portion of road. As such M/s NMDC Limited, Donimalai in their self-explanatory letter dated 07-06-2017

have made the following objections.

a) The proposed area of Kumaraswamy Iron Ore Mine (M.L.No.1111) is fully mineralized, if an approach road is allowed, Million Tonnes of valuable Iron Ore will be blocked, which will be a huge loss to Government of India.

b) All along when M/s Hothur Traders was holding the lease and presently, there exists another road for approaching to the lease hold area of M/s JSW (Hothur Traders) from Southern side without touching to NMDC lease hold area, M/s JSW can and bound to utilize the same road for their passage, as it was auctioned and purchased by JSW without road only.

c) Apart from this, as the Southern side of M/s JSW lease is a open area without touching to NMDC boundary, a new road may be developed by M/s JSW from the

PWD road near Subrayanahalli.

d) It is opined that, what was not suited, not approved for Hothur Traders, the same should apply to JSW. It is on record that in the year 2010 the very same proposal of Hothur Traders, which was rejected by Forest Department on the very same ground / objection by NMDC, now, surprisingly, just because there is a change in the ownership of HT Mines, the ground position, the legal position will not get changed. NMDC, in no event can permit this or agree for any such road or diversion of forests land in the mining lease area of NMDC.

12. Under the above said circumstances, it is quite evident that C category of mines pertaining to the M/s Hothur Traders has been e-auctioned without looking into the aspect of road and as a result the Forest Department has been placed in a situation to resolve the crisis that has cropped up between M/s NMDC and M/s JSW steels Limited. The authorities of Mines and Geology Department have accorded the mining lease to the earlier lessee (M/s Hothur Traders) without ascertaining the area to be earmarked for the purpose of road.

13. Further, some portion of approach road falling within 1 Km radius of Parvati and Kartikeya Temple (Archeological important site), for which no favorable report from a Committee constituted in compliance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order in SLP

No.20180/2010 is available.

The Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle inspected the said mining lease on 07-04-2017 and has recommended the proposal for rejection (in PART-III) with the following remarks:

"Since the stretch of proposed forest land to the tune of 0.50 ha out of the 3.50 ha i.e., "I' to J' over a length of 419 Mtrs, is falling in the ML No. 1111 of the M/s NMDC Donimalai and on account of the approach road falls within 1 km of Parvati and Karthikeya temple, (Archeological important site) the proposal has been recommended for rejection."

- **B.** As the opinions of the Chief Conservator of Forest, Ballari Circle and Deputy Conservator of Forest, Ballari Division in present case were found to be differing with reference to the diversion of forest land for approach road, and, further, as the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari has not suggested any alternative road to access the ML No. 2313of M/s JSW Steel Ltd., the Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) was asked to inspect the area and submit the facts of the case. Accordingly, the Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bengaluru has inspected the area on 12-10-2017 and submitted a detailed Inspection Note (reference-3; Copy enclosed), wherein he has reported *inter-alia* as follows:
 - 1. (a) It is a fact that the forest in this region has good natural growth (especially on northern aspect) and profuse regeneration of native species including sandal. Fresh breaking up of such promising parcel of natural forest, either for mining or for new road formation, whether for ML No. 2313 (M/s JSW Steels Ltd) or for ML No. 1111 (M/s NMDC Ltd) is likely to cause great damage to the local ecology, which has so far escaped from it, in contrast to the extensive mining being done on the ridge further beyond.
 - (b) The slope on northern aspect is quite steep and mining on this hillside further down will only cause extensive damage to natural ecosystem and heavy erosion / landslides.
 - (c) This part of forest is too close to the ancient Kumaraswamy Temple to permit any fresh breaking up of area, either for mining or for new roads. While the Western Corner (A) of existing ML No. (2313) is about 700m at nearest unbroken point and at about 850m at the nearest broken up point. Similarly, the south-west corner of MMRD lease ML No. 1111 (unbroken) is only about 550m.
 - Conclusion: On account of (a), (b) and (c) above following points are concluded to safeguard the interest of local forest ecology as well as safeguarding archeological/religious concerns while considering the present FC proposal regarding approach road to erstwhile ML No. 2313.
 - 1. No new forest roads are advisable in this region. Only the existing 'kaccha' forest path which was in use since 1963 may be permitted to be used for mining lease purposes.
 - The kaccha forest path on south-west and leading to Temple and further near Subrayanahally is not advisable to be used for mining purpose for the reasons mentioned above.
 - 3. No fresh breaking up of virgin natural forest in this region (either for ML No. 2313 or even for ML No. 1111) is advisable. Only the already broken up area

may be permitted for mining, leaving the unbroken forest patch inside the MMRD leases for safeguarding ecological interests.

- 4. The lease holders have only a limited right of using it for specific purposes. The government retains the absolute ownership over the forest land even after it being leased out and may permit use of an existing forest path by more than one lease holders.
- 5. Kumaraswamy (Karthikeshwar) Temple, an ancient monument with archeological, religious and heritage significance, along with its immediate surroundings of at least one kilometer (or even more) needs to be protected not only from the mining activities in future, but also from heavy mining traffic presently encountered nearby. It applies to mining leases in all four directions, and not just the present proposal concerning erstwhile ML No. 2313.

C. In view of the circumstances stated above, the following facts are submitted.

- In connection with transfer of forest clearance in case of ML No. 2313 concerning the same User Agency, the Government of India vide letter F.No. 8-323/1989-FC(Pt.) dated 12-09-2017 have put the following condition.
 - "(iv) the State Government of Karnataka shall constitute a committee immediately for assessment of the impact of mining in the whole or part of the Concession Area i.e. within 1 km of Archeological of Survey of India protected monument Sri Kumaraswamy and Sri Parvati Temple, as per direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in this regard, and the project proponent shall carry out mining operations as per assessment report of the said committee:"

In view of above direction of the Government of India, and also the order of Hon'ble Supreme Court in SLP No. 20180/2010 (Civil Appeal No. 4823 of 2013), an appropriate decision is required to be taken regarding diversion of forest land for approach purpose in the present case.

2. Hon'ble Supreme Court in judgment dated 21-03-2017 passed in IA No. 247 and other IAs in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 562/2009 has approved construction of conveyer belt system, railway sidings and railway sub-lines as the most significant step towards controlling the environmental pollution that has persisted on account of open movement of iron ore by road. Such infrastructure is yet to be established and made operational. Accordingly, the User Agency should take necessary anticipatory action to enable integration of transportation of ore produced from their lease area, and thereby preclude the need for transportation by road, once the abovementioned transportation system of 'conveyer belt-railway' is established. Till such time, the proposed forest path may be used for transportation of ore. The area being diverted for road will resume to Forest Department once the 'conveyer belt-railway' system is made operational.

- 3. The Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change vide letter F.no.11-599/2014-FC dated 01-04-2015 have issued guidelines w.r.t. obtaining approval for diversion of entire forest land located within a mining lease and also accorded general approval under Section 2(iii) of the FC Act for the remaining area of forest land falling within such mining leases subject to the conditions, which inter-alia include payment of NPV for such forest land. As per the above guidelines of Government of India, M/s NMDC Ltd. has paid NPV for the remaining extent of 159.01 hectare on 22-08-2016 and thus covered under general approval accorded by Government of India. However M/s NMDC Ltd. is yet to apply for FC lease under Section 2(ii) of FC Act. The part of existing forest path that can be used by M/s JSW Steel Ltd, passes through this patch of 159.01 hectare reserved to M/s NMDC Limited.
- 4. The present proposal is for providing road access to the ML No.2313 of M/s JSW Steel Ltd. This mining lease area is surrounded on three sides by the ML No. 1111 of M/s NMDC Limited, while the remaining southern side has good forest growth with gradient inclining towards Karthikeshwara Temple. There is a narrow motorable path on this side meeting the road near Karthikeshwara Temple. However, this path cannot be used as such for transportation of the mined ore and would require significant widening and fresh road formation (in stretches) due to high gradient. Moreover this path takes ore-laden lorries towards and very close to Karthikeshwara Temple. It is therefore not an option.
- 5. Juxtaposition of the mining lease boundary Kml files of ML No. 2313 of M/s JSW Steels Ltd and ML No. 1111 of M/s NMDC Ltd, which have been obtained by the ICT Cell of Forest Department from Department of Mines and Geology earlier shows that there is significant mismatch of boundary resulting in overlap between these two mining leases.
- In view of the above facts, there are two proposals for approach road to ML No.2313 of M/s JSW Steel Ltd.
 - i. Permitting diversion of 3.50 hectare of forest land as recommended by the DCF, Ballari. However, this option involves (a) fresh clearing of forest area to form a new road involving 1.44 hectare of forest land, and (b) widening of old 'kaccha' forest path from existing width of ~8 mtr to 12 mtr. Further, this option does not avoid passing through FCA Section 2 (iii) approved NMDC ML No. 1111 area (to a distance of approximately 0.419 km or 0.50 hectare).
 - ii. Permitting the use of existing 4.37 km long and 8 mtr wide old 'kaccha' forest path, which was being used by M/s Hothur Traders since 1963 for mining purposes. Out of total length of 4.37 km, a stretch of 1.81 km (accounting for 1.448 hectare) passes through the forest land in NMDC mining lease no. 1111 covered under General Approval under Section 2 (iii) in favour of M/s NMDC Ltd (however, FC

proposal under Section 2(ii) is yet to be applied by M/s NMDC Ltd) and the remaining 2.56 km stretch (accounting for 2.048 hectare) is outside the area reserved for M/s NMDC Ltd.

In both the options, a portion of forest land approved under Section 2 (iii) in favour of the M/s NMDC Limited would be required for road to undertake mining by M/s JSW Limited in ML No. 2313. Therefore, 'right-of-way' through NMDC ML area in favour of M/s JSW Steel Ltd is necessary in both the options. Out of above two options, the latter will help avoid not only the formation of new road but also the need for widening of existing forest path, thereby safeguarding the ecological concerns.

In view of the above, following may be considered.

- a) M/s JSW Steel Ltd (ML No.2313) may be permitted passage for transportation of mined ore through the NMDC ML No.1111.
- b) M/s NMDC Ltd shall undertake mining operations in ML No.1111 as per approved mining plan by duly providing passage to M/s JSW Steel Ltd for transporting mined ore through their mining area till the final exit point from their area on the aforesaid existing 'kaccha' forest path, as no other alternative road is feasible to transport from ML No.2313 to M/s JSW Steel Ltd.
- c) Out of the total area of 3.496 hectare, NPV and CA charges may be levied for 2.048 hectare accounting for 2.56 km length of road, which is outside the NMDC lease area. The remaining 1.448 hectare area (1.81 km road length) falls in NMDC lease area.
- d) The Government may consider charging an appropriate User Fee from M/s JSW Steel Ltd for use of existing forest path inside NMDC lease No.1111 as per the Government of India FC guidelines No. FCA/11.6/GEN/KAR dated 22-07-2015 (copy enclosed).
- e) M/s JSW Steel Ltd shall be allowed to undertake repairs of the existing 'kaccha' forest path (including the portion within NMDC ML no.1111).

Considering above facts, and further in order to safeguard the ecological concerns, and furthermore keeping in view the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court pertaining to preservation of protected monuments of archeological importance, the government may consider moving the proposal to the Government of India for according 'in-principle' (Stage-I) approval for diversion of 2.048 hectare of forest land in the form of existing kaccha forest path in SM Block, Kumarswamy Range, Ballari District in favour of M/s JSW Steel Ltd. for providing approach road to their ML No. 2313, with the conditions specified in Annexure 'A', till the abovementioned transportation system of 'conveyor belt-railway' is established.

Accordingly, the hard copy of proposal along with the relevant documents in 3 sets including the following documents are submitted herewith for further needful.

- i. Google map showing the ML No. 2313 and its surroundings.
- Google map showing approach road recommended by DCF Ballari Division.
- Google map showing approach road recommended by this office for consideration.
- iv. A list of GPS readings for the approach road recommended by this office.
- A breakup of forest area involved as recommended by this office within and outside NMDC ML No. 1111 area.
- vi. A CD containing the KML file of the 4.37 km long and 8 mtr wide existing kaccha forest path recommended by this office.

Yours faithfully

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force)

Copy to the Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari Circle for information.

Copy to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division for information.

Copy to M/s JSW Steel Ltd., 6th Floor, East Wing, Raheja Towers, M.G. Road, Bengaluru – 560 001 for information.

ANNEXURE - 'A'

Enclosure to letter No. A5(1).MNG.CR.11/2016-17

dated: 25 -11-2017

- The legal status of Forest land shall remain unchanged and it shall continue to be as forest land.
- 2. The Hon'ble Supreme Court in judgment dated 21-03-2017 passed in IA No. 247 & other IAs in Writ Petition Civil No. 562/2009 have approved construction of conveyer belt system, railway sidings and railway sub-lines as the most significant step towards controlling the environmental pollution that has persisted on account of open movement of iron ore by road. Such infrastructure is yet to be established and made operational. Accordingly, the user agency should take necessary anticipatory action to enable integration of transportation of ore produced from their lease area, and thereby preclude the need for transportation by road, once the abovementioned transportation system of 'conveyer belt-railway' is established. Till such time, the proposed road may be used for transportation of ore. The area being diverted for road will resume to Forest Department once the conveyer belt railway system is made operational.
- Operation of the proposed road and mining is subject to the orders of Hon'ble Supreme Court in SLP No. 20180/2010 dated 01-07-2013 regarding mining operations in proximity of the archeologically protected monuments, as the proposed approach road and ML No. 2313 are in proximity of Karthikeaya Temple.
- 4. The lessee shall pay lease rent as fixed by the Government from time to time.
- The lease period shall be co-terminus with current lease granted under MMRD (Amendment) Act 2015 for ML No. 2313.
- 6. The User Agency shall pay the charges for raising compensatory afforestation (in 2.048 hectare) as stipulated by MOEF and shall also get the identified nonforest land to an extent of 2.048 hectare mutated in favour of Karnataka Forest Department for raising such compensatory afforestation.
- The User Agency shall pay the Net Present Value (NPV) for the extent of 2.048 hectare as per orders dated: 28-3-2008 and 9-5-2008 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
- 8. The lessee shall pay lease rent as fixed by the Government from time to time.
- 9. The leased-out area should be used for the purpose for which it is granted. In case the land is not used for the stipulated purpose within one year or when it is no longer needed for the stipulated purpose, the area would resume to the Forest Department as per Section 82 of Karnataka Forest Act, 1963. The concerned Chief Conservator of Forests / Deputy Conservator of Forests are authorized to take necessary action in this regard.
- 10. The Karnataka Forest Act, 1963 and Rules, 1969 and other relevant Acts & Rules will be applicable for any violation.

- 11. No crushing/breaking of stones shall be allowed inside forest area. Readymade material shall be used for improvement of such road.
- 12. The lessee shall not sub-lease, mortgage or hypothecate the forest area.
- 13. No new forest roads are advisable in this region. The existing 'kaccha' forest path, which was in use since 1963, may be used for mining lease purposes.
- 14. Plantation upto 50 meter shall be raised on both sides of the road outside the NMDC ML No. 1111 area at the cost of user agency.
- 15. Suitable soil conservation measures shall be under taken upto 50 meter on both sides of the road at the cost of User Agency.
- 16. The User Agency shall also abide by all the conditions imposed upon by Government of India, the Government of Karnataka and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force).

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force)