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Recommendation of CF, Medininagar

The site proposed for Tubed Coal Mining Project (Total forest area 162.394 ha.) was inspected by the undersigned on 01.10.2018. The applied forest area was recommended for diversion with following condition :-

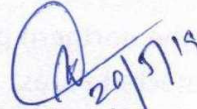
"In the northern portion of the proposed area falls a portion of plantation in Dihi protected Forest (which is a part of a 60 ha. C.A. plantation in Dihi PF – completion year 2014-2015). This plantation area is located at the northern boundary of proposed area of Tubed Coal Mining Project and this area is earmarked as dumping area in the Land Use Plan Map submitted by the User Agency. The plantation is in good shape. Therefore, this can act as a green belt in that portion. DFO, Latehar has given his recommendation with this condition and I agree with the opinion of DFO, Latehar."

Later on the User Agency submitted vide its Letter No.- HQ/Mining/Tubed/FC/20 dated 04.02.2019 that *"this area has been considered appropriate and suitable for initial dumping of over burden which has got be removed for extraction of coal. Dump area is integral part of mining area therefore now it is mandatory to obtain lease for dump area also. State Govt. grants mining lease only for area demarcated in the coal mine by MOC, GOI. Since the mining plan considerations have played a vital role in selection of coal block for a particular allottee and end use of coal, besides being legally binding on the allottee for compliance/enforcement, it is not possible for us to deviate from the proposed dumping of overburden on the aforesaid land. In a technical examination as well, the selection overburden dump area is being done considering minimal environmental impact on surrounding area and therefore the selected area for overburden dump can't be altered. In the wake of above, we would request you to kindly waive off your reservations and allow the complete diversion of forest as*

proposed in mine plan. On our part, we are ready to pay the expenditure already incurred so far under the CA scheme of this 12 ha land."

The DFO, Latehar vide his letter no.- 711 dated 26.04.2019 has sent his revised recommendation in the regards and he has recommended the whole forest area of 162.394 ha. for diversion on the above mentioned condition submitted by the User Agency.

I agree to the revised recommendation of DFO, Latehar. The User Agency, as they have offered, will pay the expenditure already incurred so far under the CA scheme of this 12 ha land in Dihi Protected Forest.



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