



Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Ltd.
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KSMCL/189/TIOM/Conveyor FC Proposal/2025

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29.03.2025

The Deputy Conservator of Forests
Ballari Division,
Radio Park, Opp ITI College,
Mini Zoo Compound, Ballari

Sir,

Sub: Diversion of 19.3044 hectares of forest land in North Eastern (NE) Block, Sandur North Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for establishing pipeline Conveyor Belt System at Thimmappanagudi Iron Ore Mine (M.L. No. 2605) in favour of M/s Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Limited with online proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/47146/2020 dt 06.07.2020.

Ref: Proceedings of the single window meeting chaired by the Additional Chief Secretary to the Government, Forest Ecology & Environment, Govt of Karnataka held on 18.02.2025

In connection to the FC proposal mentioned in the subject and as you are aware, few queries were raised by the Additional Chief Secretary to the Government, Forest Ecology & Environment (ACS-FEE), Govt of Karnataka, regarding the details of pending payments to the Forest Department. The FC proposal has been reverted back to the user agency due to the pending Forest Development Tax (FDT) issue which has been linked to the queries raised pertaining to the FC proposal for conveyor belt installation at TIOM.

Further, the reconciliation efforts were taken up by KSMCL on war footing basis to arrive at the final quote for FDT payment at the earliest and the recalculated FDT calculations have been submitted to your kind self for audit and approval which is still pending. The pendency in reconciliation of FDT is delaying the processing of the Forest Clearance proposal for installation of Conveyor Belt at TIOM.

In the meantime, during the single window meeting chaired by the ACS-FEE held on 18.02.2025 to address the pendency of FC proposals, the same was mentioned &

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the ACS -FEE has directed to process the FC Proposal for Stage-I and send the proposal to the Govt with a condition that the final approval will be accorded after FDT issue is resolved.

Therefore, it is requested to process the FC proposal for Stage-I without linking to FDT, considering the urgency in complying to the Supreme Court Order and to install the Conveyor belt system at the earliest to mitigate the degradation of the surrounding environment.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully,
For Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Limited,


GENERAL MANAGER (P/LEE)

Copy to: The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation) & Nodal Officer (FCA),
AranyaBhavan, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560 003.



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