Proceedings of the meeting held on 18.02.2025 under the Chairmanship of the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest Department to discuss on the pending forest clearance proposals in respect of blocks under exploration, auctioned and non-auctioned mining leases.

Members Present: List of Officers/Representative of User Agency present in the meeting is appended.

At the outset, the Director, Department of Mines and Geology welcomed the Chairman and Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest Department and other committee members and placed the agenda before the Committee and the subject wise and case wise deliberations and decisions are as under:

1. Forest Clearance Status in respect of Auctioned Amalgamated Blocks.

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1	Jaisinghpura South Block, Ballari district. Extent: 237.38 Ha Bidder: M/s JSW Steel Limited Lol issued on: 23.05.2023	FP/K.A/MIND/ 480453/2024 11.06.2024	 This is an amalgamated block. As per MoM guidelines dated: 23.05.2023, bidder has to obtain FC under Section 2(iii) of the FC Act for the entire area and mining operations are to be restricted for broken up area for which FC would be transferred based on vesting order. Accordingly, 2(iii) applications for full area were submitted on 28.06.2023. Subsequent to the clarification from MoM dated 20.06.2024, Forest 	MoEF&CC has raised EDS and sought following clarifications: 1. State Govt to provide status of the balance area in the amalgamated mine- whether surrendered to the SFD and reclamation status. If reclamation have not been

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				compliance report of all FC approvals as mentioned in the proposal to the RO for verification. 3. State Govt to clarify thatthere is no violation of Adhiniyam with reference to the earlier approved mines. 4. The status of the transfer proposals of the involved approvals shall be provided by the State Govt. 5. With reference to the observations by RO vide letter dated: 11.12.2024 (CEC draft reply with regard to amalgamation of C category mines). State Govt shall offer comments.
	The state of the s			Further PCCF (FC) has brought to the notice of the committee with

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				regard to the CEC letter pertaining to amalgamation of blocks by involving C category mining leases against the Supreme Court order.
				Director, DMG informed the committee that before carving out the blocks for e-auction by amalgamating A & B category mining leases with 'C' category mining leases State Government has discussed with the CEC and accordingly, CEC vide letter dated: 12.01.2018 has issued clarifications with regard to amalgamation as under: (vi) The Hon'ble Supreme Court by Judgment dated 18.4.2013 (para 46) has lifted the embargo placed on grant of fresh mining licenses by order dated
		·		2.11.2012. This Judgment also gives liberty to the State Govt to identify new mining blocks

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				which may include in part or full cancelled / expired mining lease areas of "A" or "B" or "C" Categories or may be entirely new / un-explored areas. The primary consideration in carving out new mining blocks should be viability of the mine. Further while creating new viable mining blocks, the lease areas which are due to expire in the not too distant future (after 2020) may also be taken into consideration Since as per the amended MMDR Act all new leases will have to be sold through e-auction and will have a lease period of 50 years, the State Government may consider identifying new mining blocks with sufficient reserves which will last for about 50 years of scientific mining.

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				Now, CEC vide letter dated: 10.02.2025 requested State Government to review the Auctions of amalgamated four blocks which involves "C" category mining lease areas and act strictly as per the directions issued by the Hon'ble Court from time to time. Further, the Director, DMG informed the Committee that the clarifications with regard to R&R activities in the left-out areas and CEC amalgamation issue was already sent to forest department on 15.02.2025.
		•	·	Representative of JSW Steel Limited present in the meeting informed the Committee that they are well aware of the issue and CEC letter dated: 10.02.2025. Requested the Forest Department

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				to process their applications and submitted that they will abide by the final outcome of this issue.
				After detailed discussions and deliberations informed PCCF to immediately send the reply to the EDS raised by the MoEF&CC.
		FP/KA/MIN/QRY/ 497017/2024	• Further, the Bidder also applied for Forest Clearance under Section 2(II) of the FC Act on 17.09.2024 for the above said area of 105.44 Hz	PCCF (FC) informed that M/s JSW Steel Limited has submitted application for forest clearance under Section 2(1)(ii) of the FC Act for the virgin area for which already application is submitted under section 2 (1) (iii).
		17.09.2024	said area of 195.44 Ha. Same is pending with MS from 17.09.2024 for Acceptance in PSC- I.	Representative of M/s JSW Steel limited has informed the committee that as of now they are not pursuing the said application.
				The committee informed DMG to delete the said proposal from the

,	SL	Name of the auctioned/Successful bidder	Date of FC application and Proposal number	Forest Clearance proposal status	Decision of the Committee
				(-1)	agenda for the future meetings.
			FP/K.A/MIND/ 489408/2024 28.08.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from S V Srinivasulu (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2604) for mining lease over an extent of 42.17 Ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura South Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. 	Ballari informed that demand notice has already been issued to user agency on 23.01.2025 for payment of CA charges, NPV,
			FP/K.A/MIND/ 489488/2024 24.07.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s S.B. Minerals (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2550) over an extent of 37.78 ha (34.91 ha. for mining and 2.87 ha for existing approach road) w.r.t. Jaisinghpura South Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. 	Representative of M/s JSW Steel Limited present in the meeting informed that they will make the payment within a week. After detailed deliberations Chairman informed forest department to send the transfer proposals to Govt of India
1			FP/KA/MIND/ 489491/2024 28.08.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s Balaji Mines and Minerals Pvt. Ltd. (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2564) for mining lease over an extent of 22.66 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura South Iron Ore Block. 	immediately after payment by the user agency.

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		FP/K.A/MIND/ 489511/2024 28.08.2024	 Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s Muneer Enterprises (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2339) for mining lease over an extent of 1.95 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura South Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by 	
2	Vyasanakere Iron Ore Mine, Vijayanagara district. Extent: 405.40 Ha Bidder: M/s JSW Steel Limited LoI issued on: 04.07.2023	FP/KA/MIND/ 473603/2024 20.05.2024	 This is an amalgamated block. As per MoM guidelines dated: 23.05.2023, bidder has to obtain FC under Section 2(iii) of the FC Act for the entire area and mining operations are to be restricted for broken up area for which FC would be transferred based on vesting order. Forest Clearance proposal under section 2(iii) FC Act applied on 28.06.2023 for 405.40 Ha. Subsequent to the clarification from MoM dated 20.06.2024, Bidder applied 	Govt of India. Subsequently MoEF&CC has raised EDS and sought following clarifications: 1. State Govt to provide status of the balance area in the amalgamated mine- whether surrendered to the SFD and reclamation status. If reclamation have not been carried out, who will do the

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for new application on 20.05.2024 for 27.62 Ha (virgin+non FC) area. • Pending at Nodal officer from 17.12.2024 due to EDS by State Secretary. Secretary. 2. State compaping appropriate secretary. 3. State no virgining the S. With observance dated reply amal mine companies.	pliance report of all FC ovals as mentioned in the osal to the RO for fication. e Govt to clarify that there is violation of Adhiniyam with rence to the earlier approved es. status of the transfer osals of the involved ovals shall be provided by State Govt. In reference to the ervations by RO vide letter d: 11.12.2024 (CEC draft

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				to amalgamation of blocks by involving C category mining leases against the Supreme Court order.
				Director, DMG informed the committee that before carving out the blocks for e-auction by amalgamating A & B category mining leases with 'C' category mining leases State Government has discussed with the CEC and accordingly, CEC vide letter dated: 12.01.2018 has issued clarifications with regard to amalgamation as under: (vi) The Hon'ble Supreme Court by Judgment dated 18.4.2013 (para 46) has lifted the embargo placed on grant of fresh mining licenses by order dated 2.11.2012. This Judgment also gives liberty to the State Govt to identify new mining blocks which may include in part or



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				full cancelled / expired mining lease areas of "A" or "B" or "C" Categories or may be entirely new / un-explored areas. The primary consideration in carving out new mining blocks should be viability of the mine. Further while creating new viable mining blocks, the lease areas which are due to expire in the not too distant future (after 2020) may also be taken into consideration Since as per the amended MMDR Act all new leases will have to be sold through e-auction and will have a lease period of 50 years, the State Government may consider identifying new mining blocks with sufficient reserves which will last for about 50 years of scientific mining.

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				Now, CEC vide letter dated: 10.02.2025 requested State Government to review the Auctions of amalgamated four blocks which involves "C" category mining lease areas and act strictly as per the directions issued by the Hon'ble Court from time to time.
				Further, the Director, DMG informed the Committee that the clarifications with regard to R&R activities in the left-out areas and CEC amalgamation issue was already sent to forest department on 15.02.2025.
			·	Representative of JSW Steel Limited present in the meeting informed the Committee that they are well aware of the issue and CEC letter dated: 10.02.2025. Requested the Forest Department to process their applications and



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		•		submitted that they will abide by the final outcome of this issue.
				After detailed discussions and deliberations informed PCCF to immediately send the reply to the EDS raised by the MoEF&CC.
		FP/KA/MIN/QRY/ 496954/2024 17.09.2024	 Submitted application under section 2(1)(ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for an area of 27.62 ha with respect to Vyasanakere Iron Ore Mine. Same is pending at UA from 08.10.2024 due to EDS raised by MS after PSC-I 	already application is submitted under section 2 (1) (iii). Representative of M/s JSW Steel
-1				delete the said proposal from the agenda for the future meetings.

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		FP/KA/MIND/ 488830/2024 23.07.2024	 Application for transfer of Forest Clearance from Smt. Shantalaxmi Jayaram (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2553) over an extent of 30.56 ha w.r.t. Vyasanakere Iron Ore Mine. Same is pending with DFO, Vijayanagara from 15.11.2024 due to EDS raised by Nodal Officer. 	Ballari informed that demand notice has already been issued to user agency on 27.01.2025 for payment of CA charges, NPV, safety zone charges and wildlife
		FP/KA/MIND/	 Application for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s MSPL Ltd. (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2416) over an 	payment within a week
		494414/2024 28.08.2024	extent of 350.78 ha (347.22 ha. for mining lease and 3.56 ha. for approach road) w.r.t. Vyasanakere Iron Ore Mine. Same is pending at UA from 30.08.2024 due to EDS raised by DFO	After detailed deliberations Chairman informed forest department to send the transfer proposals to Govt of India immediately after payment by the user agency.
3	Jaisinghpura North Block, Ballari district. Extent: 298.59 Ha Bidder: M/s JSW	FP/KA/MIND/ 481250/2024 14.06.2024	 This is an amalgamated block. As per MoM guidelines dated: 23.05.2023, bidder has to obtain FC under Section 2(iii) of the FC Act for the entire area and mining operations 	E I



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	Steel Limited LoI issued on: 20.11.2023		are to be restricted for broken up area for which FC would be transferred based on vesting order. Forest Clearance proposal under section 2(iii) FC Act applied on 22.12.2023. Subsequent to the clarification from MoM dated 20.06.2024, Bidder submitted new application on 14.06.2024 for 161.69 Ha virgin+non-FC area. Pending at Nodal officer from 17.12.2024 due to EDS by State Secretary.	the balance area in the amalgamated mine- whether surrendered to the SFD and reclamation status. If reclamation have not been carried out, who will do the reclamation process. 2. State Govt to provide compliance report of all FC approvals as mentioned in the proposal to the RO for

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				reply with regard to amalgamation of C category mines). State Govt shall offer comments.
				Further PCCF (FC) has brought to the notice of the committee with regard to the CEC letter pertaining to amalgamation of blocks by involving C category mining leases against the Supreme Court order.
				Director, DMG informed the committee that before carving out the blocks for e-auction by amalgamating A & B category mining leases with 'C' category mining leases State Government has discussed with the CEC and
				accordingly, CEC vide letter dated: 12.01.2018 has issued clarifications with regard to amalgamation as under: (vi) The Hon'ble Supreme Court



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		Troposar Rumber		by Judgment dated 18.4.2013 (para 46) has lifted the embargo placed on grant of fresh mining licenses by order dated 2.11.2012. This Judgment also gives liberty to the State Govt to identify new mining blocks which may include in part or full cancelled / expired mining lease areas of "A" or "B" or "C" Categories or may be entirely new / un-explored areas. The primary consideration in carving out new mining blocks should be viability of the mine. Further while creating new viable mining blocks, the lease areas which are due to expire in the not too distant future (after 2020) may also be taken into consideration Since as per the amended MMDR Act all new leases will have to be sold
				through e-auction and will have a

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				lease period of 50 years, the State Government may consider identifying new mining blocks with sufficient reserves which will last for about 50 years of scientific mining.
				Now, CEC vide letter dated: 10.02.2025 requested State Government to review the Auctions of amalgamated four blocks which involves "C" category mining lease areas and act strictly as per the directions issued by the Hon'ble Court from time to time.
				Further, the Director, DMG informed the Committee that the clarifications with regard to R&R activities in the left-out areas and CEC amalgamation issue was already sent to forest department on 15.02.2025.



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				Representative of JSW Steel Limited present in the meeting informed the Committee that they are well aware of the issue and CEC letter dated: 10.02.2025. Requested the Forest Department to process their applications and submitted that they will abide by the final outcome of this issue.
				After detailed discussions and deliberations informed PCCF to immediately send the reply to the EDS raised by the MoEF&CC.
		FP/KA/MIN/QRY/ 496908/2024 16.09.2024	 Submitted application under section 2(1)(ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for an area of 161.69 ha with respect to Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Pending at UA from 12.02.2025 due to EDS raised by MS after PSC-I 	application for forest clearance under Section 2(1)(ii) of the FC Act for the virgin area for which already application is submitted

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				Representative of M/s JSW Steel limited has informed the committee that as of now they are not pursuing the said application.
				The committee informed DMG to delete the said proposal from the agenda for the future meetings.
The state of the s		FP/KA/MIND/ 491818/2024 08.08.2024	• Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from Sri. N Manzoor Ahmed (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 1324/2616) over an extent of 12.4 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block.	Ballari informed that demand notice has already been issued to user agency on 13.02.2025 for
			• Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari.	mitigation plan. Representative of M/s JSW Steel
		FP/KA/MIND/ 491826/2024 08.08.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s Veeyam Pvt Ltd (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2615) over an extent of 2.16 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by 	informed that they will make the payment within a week. After detailed deliberations Chairman informed forest



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		FP/KA/MIND/ 491898/2024 08.08.2024	 DFO, Ballari. Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s Trident Minerals (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2315) over an extent of 32.27 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. 	
		FP/KA/MIND/ 491981/2024 09.08.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s Trident Mining Co (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 1732) over an extent of 5.26 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. 	
		FP/KA/MIND/ 493383/2024 28.08.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s Muneer Enterprises (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2339) over an extent of 34.25 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by 	

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		FP/KA/MIND/ 493397/2024 28.08.2024	 DFO, Ballari. Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s S V Srinivasulu (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2604) over an extent of 17.81 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. 	
		FP/KA/MIND/ 493445/2024 28.08.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s P Vengannashetty& Bros (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2587) over an extent of 15.89 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. 	
		FP/KA/MIND/ 494666/2024 30.08.2024	 Applied for transfer of Forest Clearance from M/s Mineral Syndicate (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 2320) over an extent of 2.12 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 	



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			 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by DFO, Ballari. Applied for transfer of Forest 	
		FP/KA/MIND/ 495130/2024 02.09.2024	Clearance from Sri. K Bramhananda (erstwhile lessee, ML No. 1626) over an extent of 17.07 ha w.r.t. Jaisinghpura North Iron Ore Block. Same is pending with UA from 04.02.2025 due to EDS raised by	
4	Block No 4 (H R Gaviyappa), Ballari district Extent: 40.04 Ha Bidder: R Praveen Chandra LoI issued on: 20.11.2023	FP/KA/MIN/QRY/473 609/2024 dated: 31.05.2024	 DFO, Ballari This is an amalgamated block with 01 expired mining lease and additional area. Bidder applied for Forest Clearance under section 2(1)(ii) of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for an area of 08.04 Ha for the fresh additional area. Pending at DFO, Ballari from 20.01.2025 after acceptance in PSC - I. 	committee that user agency has not yet identified the CA land to process the proposal. Representative of the bidder informed that they have already identified the CA land and obtained suitability certificate from DCF,

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		22.03.2024 Offline Proposal	Bidder has applied for transfer of FC in respect of the erstwhile Forest Clearance on 22.03.2024. Same is pending with User Agency as DFO sought CA land and other details.	After detailed deliberations



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				4. DCF, Ballari to send both proposals pertaining to this block to the nodal officer in one go.

2. Forest Clearance Status in respect of Auctioned C Category Leases.

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1	Mysore Minerals Limited, ML No 995, Ballari district. Extent: 32.89 Ha Bidder: M/s JSW Steel Limited	14.11.2019 FP/KA/MIN/41793/2 019	 Earlier Forest Clearance of erstwhile lessee was transferred to the new lessee. Mining lease was executed on 11.11.2019. The validity of mining lease is upto 27.11.2069. Mining operations continued upto 29.09.2020. Mining operations were stopped due to expiry of Forest Clearance. Lessee applied for renewal of FC. Stage-I issued on 21.04.2022 for renewal of Forest Clearance. Lessee submitted the compliance. 	30.12.2024. Govt of Karnataka has issued GO on 04.02.2025 and same has been communicated to DCF, Ballari and user agency for execution of lease agreement on 07.02.2025. DCF, Ballari has informed that

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			 Proposal was forwarded to IRO, MoEF&CC by ACS, GoK on 20.06.2024. Stage II approval granted on 30.12.2024 by MoEF. Execution of Govt Order is pending from the State Forest Department. 	same has been paid by user agency as per rule 2003. Hence, in this regard proposal for deletion of C No. ii (a) and removal of
				Representative of the bidder informed that the additional condition was imposed by mistake same may get clarified by GoI, but only 40 days have left to produce and despatch minimum guarantee quantity otherwise the penalty of value of the Minimum Despatch Quantity will be imposed by the Department of Mines and Geology. Hence, ready to provide the undertaking stating that if Govt of India insist for payment for the above said area will make the payment. Accordingly,



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				requested to make the forest agreement and allow to work in the mine.
				After detailed deliberations and discussions informed Forest Department to take the bank guarantee to the said value from the user agency and execute the forest agreement immediately. Further, the proposal may be sent to Govt of India for rectification of the additional condition imposed in Stage-II clearance.
1, -).		FP/KA/MIN/ 39765/2019 17.04.2019	 Diversion of 0.8148 Ha (revised from 1.4406 ha) of forestland for Approach Road to and from Ubbalagundi Iron Ore Mine ML No. 008 in Ubbalagundi RF of Ballari Range, Ubbalagundi Village, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District. GoI has accorded Stage-I approval on 16-10-2024. Pending with UA for complying conditions stipulated in Stage-I approval. 	informed that compliance to the Stage-I approval has already submitted to DCF, Ballari recently. DCF, Ballari informed that compliance report was received and proposal will be submitted to PCCF for further necessary action.

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		Offline 12.10.2023	 Request to extend the validity of 'Temporary Working Permission' for approach road connecting to the Ubbalagundi Iron Ore Mine ML No. 008 (Old ML 995) of M/s. JSW Steel Limited. PCCF forwarded recommendation to ACS to consider for extend TWP after obtaining Stage-II for mining lease 	already issued temporary permission on 15.02.2025 and same will be forwarded
2	Sri M Srinivasulu, ML No 2631, Chitradurga district. Extent: 75.14 Ha Bidder: M/s RBSSN Das LoI issued on: 21.09.2022	Offline	• Bidder vide letters dated: 24.01.2024, 26.02.2024 and 11.03.2024 has requested DFO, Chitradurga to provide the CA land details, CA charges payment details, NPV payment details, Safety Zone CA charges payment details, payment towards extraction cost, annual lease rent	this block is 6.67km from the notified Uttaregudda Wildlife Sanctuary. Since, eco sensitive zone for the said wildlife sanctuary was not declared and as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court order 10km is the default ESZ, the transfer proposal was not processed from the forest department. The ESZ area notification is under process, the said draft ESZ area was already approved by PCCF wildlife and-



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			 02.04.2024 has provided the details and informed the bidder to submit the FC transfer application along with documents. Accordingly, Bidder submitted the application for transfer of FC vide letter dated 15.04.2024 along with relevant documents. Same is pending with DCF, Chitradurga. Further, bidder vide letter dated: 27.01.2024 and 11.03.2024 has requested PCCF (FC) and Nodal Officer to accord permission to implement the R&R plan works which were approved by CEC. Same is not yet accorded till date. 	placed before the Cabinet for final approval. This block is outside the proposed ecosensitive zone area, hence FC transfer proposal may be parallelly processed. Accordingly, DCF, Chitradurga Division has issued demand notice for wildlife mitigation plan, soil and moisture conservation plan and transfer fee. Same has to be verified. After detailed deliberations and discussions informed forest department to process the transfer application immediately. Further informed user agency to co-operate with the forest department by providing the necessary information with regard to CA land handed over by the erstwhile lessee.
3	M/s Ramgad Minerals & Mining		Bidder applied for transfer of Forest Clearance on 28.10.2023.	PCCF (FC) informed the committee that DCF, Ballari recommended and

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	(P) Ltd, ML No 2451, Ballari District. Extent: 24.04 Ha Bidder: Udayshivakumar Infra Pvt Ltd LoI issued on: 21.09.2022	30.07.2024	 Further, bidder submitted online application on 30.07.2024. DFO recommended for transfer and same is pending with Nodal Officer from 02.10.2024. 	submitted the transfer of FC proposal on 18.10.2024. Since, the transfer proposal was found to be incomplete, DCF, Ballari was directed to submit the revised proposal in complete form on 13.11.2024. DCF, Ballari informed that the extent of the block is 24.04 Ha, Forest Clearance is for 26.12 Ha. Joint Survey has already been completed and during the Joint Survey it is observed that the FC area is matching with the extent of the block. Further, demand notice has been issued to user agency on 05.02.2025 for payment of CA charges, NPV and etc, same is pending with user agency. Representative of the bidder informed that they have uploaded the demand notice in the parivesh portal. Due to technical issue the payment module of parivesh web portal is depicting EMPTY.



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- Annual Control of the Control of t				PCCF informed that in this regard complaint has been raised in parivesh portal. Same is yet to be resolved.
				After detailed deliberations and discussion informed PCCF to take necessary action to resolve the technical issue in the parivesh portal. Further, informed user agency to submit the compliance to the demand notice immediately after resolving the technical issue in the parivesh portal.
4	H G Rangangouda, ML No 2148, Ballari District. Extent: 60.66 Ha Bidder: MSPL Ltd		 MoEF(CC) Govt. of India vide letter dated: 25.09.2023 has issued Forest Clearance with a condition of one year working permission to fulfil the CA land requirement. However, State Forest Department has issued working permission on 13.09.2024 upto 24.09.2024 (one 	mutated the CA land in favour of forest department. Accordingly, as per the decision of the previous meeting without declaring RF/PF proposal was already submitted to MoEF&CC. Survey for notifying the CA land as PF
			year from MoEF letter). Mining operations were conducted till 24-09-2024. Mining has been stopped	

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			 due to compliance report to be sent to MoEF to regularize the FC. MSPL has presented equivalent land in 3 areas to be accepted by the forest department. Though all three areas have been issued the suitability certificate, forest department is not coming forward to get transfer of land for one or the other reason. MSPL has surface rights over 167 acres of land in Holunda village. DCF has issued the suitability certificate for this land. Company is ready to transfer this land any time. MSPL has partially transferred 173 acres of land to forest department at inAmagaon village. Company is ready to transfer another 170 acres of land in the same village. Forest dept is holding the transfer of land stating that the land belongs to 'deemed forest' category. This is a 	MoEF&CC for extension of working permission until notification of the handed over CA land as RF/PF. Hence, requested to expedite the notification of CA land as RF/PF. After detailed deliberations and discussion informed user agency to pursue the issue with MoEF&CC. Further informed forest department to



SL	Name of the auctioned/	Date of FC application and Proposal number	Forest Clearance proposal status	Decision of the Committee
			private land, forest dept has proposed this land under 'deemed forest' category by mistake. Forest dept need to rectify the mistake and allow the company to transfer of land. Company has entered into agreement with farmers over 500 acres of land in Holudha village. HC has ordered to make bifurcation the land to individual farmers. Tasildar also passed an order to restore the land. AC Belagavi has stayed the processes based on few villagers complaint. MSPL has control over 800 acres of land. Forest and revenue dept need to facilitate.	
5	Lakshmi Narayana Mining Company, ML No 2487, Ballari District. Extent: 86.12 Ha Bidder: M/s MSPL		 MoEF(CC) Govt. of India vide letter dated: 25.09.2023 has issued Forest Clearance with a condition of one year working permission to fulfil the CA land requirement. However, State Forest Department 	forest department to send the recommendations MoEF&CC for transfer of FC.

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	Limited		has issued working permission on 15.12.2023 upto 24.09.2024 (one	Representative of the user agency informed that they have already
			year from MoEF letter). Mining	identified 170 acres of CA land in
			operations were conducted till 24-	Amagaon village of Belagavi district
			09-2024. Mining has been stopped	and made agreement with land owners
			due to compliance report to be sent to MoEF to regularize the FC.	for purchase of said lands. Forest department is not issuing suitability
			• MSPL has presented equivalent	certificate by stating some of the lands
			land in 3 areas to be accepted by	are in deemed forest list.
			the forest department. Though all	DCCD (DC)
			three areas have been issued the suitability certificate, forest	·
			department is not coming forward	,
			to get transfer of land for one or	survey numbers from the deemed forest
			the other reason.	list which are identified the company for
			MSPL has surface rights over 167	
			acres of land in Holunda village.	government level for deletion of said
			DCF has issued the suitability	survey numbers from deemed forest list.
			certificate for this land. Company	If said decision is taken the issue will be
		•	is ready to transfer this land any time.	resolved and suitability certificate may be issued.
			 MSPL has partially transferred 173 	be issued.
			acres of land to forest department	After detailed deliberations and
			-	discussions informed forest department



SL	Name of the auctioned/	Date of FC application and Proposal number	Forest Clearance proposal status	Decision of the Committee to process the file for deletion of survey
			of land in the same village. Forest dept is holding the transfer of land stating that the land belongs to 'deemed forest' category. This is a private land, forest dept has proposed this land under 'deemed	numbers from the deemed forest list
			forest' category by mistake. Forest dept need to rectify the mistake and allow the company to transfer of land. • Company has entered into agreement with farmers over 500	
			acres of land in Holudha village. HC has ordered to make bifurcation the land to individual farmers. Tasildar also passed an order to restore the land. AC	
-			 Belagavi has stayed the processes based on few villagers complaint. MSPL has control over 800 acres of land. Forest and revenue dept need to facilitate. 	
6	Kanhaiyalal		• MoEF(CC) Govt. of India vide	PCCF (FC) informed that user age

SL	Name of the auctioned/	Date of FC application and Proposal number	Forest Clearance proposal status	Decision of the Committee
	Dudheria, ML No 2563, Ballari District. Extent: 30.09 Ha Bidder: M/s MSPL Limited		letter dated: 09.10.2023 has issued Forest Clearance with a condition of one year working permission to fulfil the CA land requirement. However, State Forest Department has issued working permission on 26.07.2024 upto 09.10.2023 (one year from MoEF letter). Mining operations were conducted till 09.10.2024. Mining has been stopped due to compliance report to be sent to MoEF to regularize the FC. MSPL has presented equivalent land in 3 areas to be accepted by the forest department. Though all three areas have been issued the suitability certificate, forest department is not coming forward to get transfer of land for one or the other reason. MSPL has surface rights over 167 acres of land in Holunda village. DCF has issued the suitability	forest department. After mutation forest department came to know that some of the survey numbers of the mutated land are in deemed forest list. As discussed in the earlier case, the Deputy Commissioner, Belagavi has recommended to delete some of the survey numbers from the deemed forest list which are identified the company for CA land. Decision has to be taken at the government level for deletion of said survey numbers from deemed forest list. If said decision is taken the issue will be resolved and FC transfer proposal may be recommended to MoEF&CC. After detailed deliberations and discussions informed forest department to process the file for deletion of survey numbers from the deemed forest list



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			certificate for this land. Company	
			is ready to transfer this land any	
			time.	
			MSPL has partially transferred 173	
			acres of land to forest department	
			at inAmagaon village. Company is	
			ready to transfer another 170 acres	
			of land in the same village. Forest	
			dept is holding the transfer of land	
			stating that the land belongs to	
			'deemed forest' category. This is a	
			private land, forest dept has	
			proposed this land under 'deemed	
			forest' category by mistake. Forest	
			dept need to rectify the mistake	
			and allow the company to transfer	
			of land.	
			• Company has entered into	
			agreement with farmers over 500	
			acres of land in Holudha village.	
			HC has ordered to make	
			bifurcation the land to individual	
-			farmers. Tasildar also passed an	
}			order to restore the land. AC	

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			Belagavi has stayed the processes based on few villagers' complaint. • MSPL has control over 800 acres of land. Forest and revenue dept need to facilitate.	

3. Forest Clearance Status in respect of Auctioned Expired Leases.

SL	Name of the auctioned/ Successful bidder	Proposal number	FC status	Decision of the Committee
1	M/s Gogga Gurushanthaiah& Bro's, ML No 2586, Vijayanagara district. Extent: 15.25 Ha Bidder: M/s Baig Trading Co		 Government has issued Vesting Order for transfer of clearances held by erstwhile lessee in favour of new lessee under Section 8B of MMDR Act, 1957. Accordingly, lease deed has been executed on 30.03.2022. As per the Vesting Order Forest Department has to transfer the Forest Clearance of erstwhile lessee in favour of new lessee. As per the Demand Notice issued by the Forest Department lessee has mutated the CA land in favour of Forest Department in the month of May-2023 	that DCF, Vijayanagara has recommended and submitted the transfer of FC proposal on 26.11.2024. since, the transfer proposal was found to be incomplete, DCF, Vijayanagara was directed to submit the revised proposal in complete form on 24.12.2024. DCF, Vijayanagara informed that FRA certificate was not submitted



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			 and paid the CA charges on 07.02.2024. Further, the erstwhile lessee has applied for regular FC for approach road during the currency of the lease period and Stage-I clearance was issued in the name of M/s Gogga Gurushanthaiah& Bro's. Since, the vesting order has been issued in favour of the new lessee i.e The Baig Trading Company and hence the new lessee approached MoEF for transfer of Login Credentials. Accordingly, MoEF transferred the login credentials of parivesh portal. The Baig Trading Company has replied to the EDS raised by the Forest Department on FC for approach road. Same is pending with DFO. 	Director, Department of Mines and Geology has brought to the notice of the committee that in this case FRA certificate is not required as this mine was worked for more than 50 years and in similar cases of the other districts FRA certificate was not insisted. Hence, forest department has to take suitable decision in this regard. After detailed deliberations and
2	M/s Auro Minerals, ML No 2584, Vijaynagara district Extent: 32.05 Ha Bidder: M/s Minera Steel & Power pvt Ltd	FP/KA/MIN /QRY/48860 0/2024 18.07.2024	 Lessee carried out mining operations up to 18.04.2024. Mining operations stopped due to expiry of 2 years forest working permission. Lessee applied offline proposal for transfer of FC on 15.11.2022 As per the instruction from Forest 	PCCF (FC) informed the committee that user agency has mutated the CA land in favour of the forest department on 12.12.2024. However, the said mutation is subject to final outcome of Sandur Land Tribunal. Hence, there is a difficulty in

SL	Name of the auctioned/ Successful bidder	Proposal number	FC status	Decision of the Committee
			department has objected for mutation of the said land. Lessee approached Hon'ble High Court in this regard. Hon'ble High Court has ordered in the lessee's favour. Based on the Hon'ble High Court order the Deputy Commissioner, Ballari has to resolve the mutation issue.	In the meanwhile, Govt of Karnataka vide GO dated: 17.02.2025 has transferred FC approval to the new lessee subject to condition therein. One of the major conditions is the mutated NFL needs to notified as 'PF' before handing over the land to user agency. Representative of the user agency has informed that the case in tribunal i.e.



SL	Name of the auctioned/ Successful bidder	Proposal number	FC status	Decision of the Committee
				request for early disposal of the case.
				Further, informed forest department
				to make all arrangements and notify
				CA land as protected forest
				immediately after decision of the
				tribunal.

4. Proposals for Forest Clearance to construct Conveyor Belt system as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court order.

Lessee details	Proposal No and date	Status of FC	Decision of the Committee
M/s SMIORE, Sandur, ML No. 2678, Ballari district Extent: 2.4314 Ha	FP/KA/Others/ 31165/2018 04.01.2018	Stage-I approval accorded. FC stage –II pending with State Government for verifying the compliance of conditions.	After detailed discussions informed forest department to take necessary action forward the proposal to Govt of India for Stage-II approval at the earliest.
M/s VESCO, ML No. 2296, Ballari district. Extent: 14.8457 Ha	FP/KA/MIN/35 480/2018 29.08.2018	Stage-I approval accorded on 15.10.2019. FC stage –II pending with UA from 29.01.2025 due to EDS raised by Nodal Officer.	Informed the user agency to submit the compliance of conditions immediately to forward the same to Govt of India.
M/s B. K.G. (Kumaragowda), ML No. 2516, Ballari district. Extent: 19.206 Ha	FP/KA/MIN/36 226/2018 01.10.2018	FC stage –II approval accorded on 14.06.2024. Tree Felling permission is pending.	Forest department informed the committee that all the permissions were accorded.
KSMCL (TIOM), ML No. 2605, Ballari district.	FP/KA/MIN/ 47146/2020	FC stage –I is pending with UA from 04.12.2024 due to EDS raised by DFO,	Representative of KSMCL informed that forest department is linking the

Lessee details	Proposal No and date	Status of FC	Decision of the Committee
Extent: 16.788 Ha	06.07.2020	Ballari. Forest department is linking the payment of FDT issue to this proposal. Hence, M/s KSMCL requested to recommend the FC proposal to MoEF for installation of conveyor belt system without linking the issue of payment of FDT considering the compliance to the Supreme Court Order.	FDT issue to this proposal. Further informed that Hon'ble High Court has ordered not to apply FDT for the export quantity. Accordingly, requested forest department to process this proposal without linking to the FDT issue. After detailed discussions and deliberations Chairman informed DFO, Ballari to process the proposal for Stage-I and send the proposal to Government with a condition that final approval will be accorded after FDT issue is resolved. In the meanwhile, KSMCL is informed to get clarification order from the Hon'ble High Court with regard to FDT payment exemption issue for the exported quantity of ore.
KSMCL (SIOM), ML No. 2629, Ballari district. Extent: 19.898 Ha	FP/KA/MIN/ 48923/2020 24.08.2020	FC stage –I is pending with DFO Ballari from 01.02.2025 as UA replied to the query raised.	DCF, Ballari informed that the proposal was already sent to CCF, Ballari. Informed CCF, Ballari to submit the same to government at the earliest.



Lessee details	Proposal No and date	Status of FC	Decision of the Committee
M/s VEDANTA Ltd, ML No. 2677, Chitradurga district. Extent: 9.457 Ha	FP/KA/MIN/51 389/2020 07.11.2020		PCCF (FC) informed the committee that proposal has already sent to MoEF&CC by the State Govt.
M/s SKME, ML No. 2141, Ballari district Extent: 12.4724 Ha	FP/KA/MIN/39 394/2019	FC Stage-II approved by MoEF on 07.11.2024 and Forest Department has issued GO on 21.11.2024.	No pendency from forest department.

5. Forest Clearance status of M/s NMDC Limited proposals

SL	Name of the Lessee	Proposal No.	FC status	Decision of the Committee
1	M/s NMDC Limited, ML No. 1111, Ballari district	FP/KA/OTHERS/ 407716/2022 23.11.2022	 M/s NMDC has submitted renewal application for 16.50ha already Diverted Forest Land for Ancillary Facilities Outside Mining Lease. In the absence of valid Forest Clearance of 16.50Ha, NMDC is unable to operate the belt conveyor (length:4.9kms and permitted capacity 1.2MTPA) from mine head to existing screening plant at Donimalai Mine. Also, transportation of men & material is severely affected as the approach road is also part of this 16.50Ha and not being operated in the absence of valid FC. The proposal is processed by State 	expired on 17.10.2022. department of Mines and Geology has extended lease period up to 17.10.2042. Accordingly, forest department has also extended FC validity. During the extension of FC 16.50 Ha of approach road area was left out. Recently, MoEF in its guidelines

SL	Name of the Lessee	Proposal No.	FC status	Decision of the Committee
			Secretary for recommendation after PSC-II. Same is pending with Nodal officer from 03.02.2025 due to EDS by State Secretary.	areas of ancillary activities can also-
2	M/s NMDC Limited, ML No. 1111, Ballari district	FP/KA/MIN/6858 /2014 03.09.2014	 Diversion of additional area over an extent of 101.25 Ha (originally 159.01 Ha) area of forest land for Kumaraswamy Iron Ore Mine, in ML No. 1111, NMDC Limited. Proposal ispending with DFO, Ballari from 29.10.2024 as the UA submitted the reply to the EDS raised. 	Representative of NMDC informed the committee that earlier approval under section 2(1)(iii) was obtained for the 101.25 Ha and lease was executed for the whole area. Now, NMDC has applied for regular forest



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				deliberations informed DCF, Ballari
				to process the file immediately.

6. Other Forest Issues

SL	Subject		Decision of the Committee
1	Ajjanahalli Gold Block Extent: 949 Ha Bidder: Kundan Care Products Limited LoI issued: 10.05.2022	 Pursuant to NIT dated: 30.12.2021, LoI was issued in favor of M/s Kundan Care Products Limited for grant of composite license for Ajjanahalli Gold Block. Since the whole block falls under forest area, Forest Department has issued permission to carryout exploration activities on 26.10.2023 and the period of the same has been extended twice i.e on 10.04.2024 and 08.10.2024. Based on the forest Department permission Department of Mines and Geology has executed the Composite Licence Deed on 31.10.2023. Forest Department has withdrawn the permission issued to the Kundan Care Products Limited on 12.12.2024. This is leading to the litigation. 	committee that this block was auctioned for composite license for Gold. After issuance of working permission from the forest department DMG has executed the composite license deed. The said work order issued by the forest department was extended twice. Recently DFO, Tumkur has withdrawn

SL	Subject		Decision of the Committee
			then it is not possible to allow the exploration works as well as mining activities. Hence informed DCF, Tumakuru to examine whether the applied area fully falls in the Wildlife Sanctuary and send the report to Director, Department of Mines and Geology.
			Further informed user agency to submit the kml file of the area to DCF, Tumakuru for verification.
2	Basavanagudda Block Extent: 2501.9 Ha Bidder: M/s R.K. transport Company LoI issued: 16.03.2024	 NIT has been issued on 31.01.2023 for auction of Basavanagudda Gold Block. In the said auction M/s R K Transport Company is a Preferred Bidder. LoI was issued in favor of M/s R.K. Transport Company for grant of composite license for Basavanagudda Gold Block in Tumkur and Chitradurga District. Bidder on 29.10.2024 has submitted request to The Deputy Conservator of Forest, Tumkur for issuance of No Objection Certificate (NOC) for commencing 	committee that this block was auctioned for composite license for Gold. Letter of Intent was issued on 16.03.2024. Bidder approached DCF, Tumkur on 29.10.2024 for carrying out prospecting activities. DFO, Tumkur has rejected the application on 12.12.2024



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SL	Subject		
		prospecting operation in the block.	falling in the Bukkapattana
		• The same has been rejected/denied vide letter dated:	wildlife Sanctuary.
		 12.12.2024 citing that the proposed area for prospecting license in respect of Basavanagudda Gold Block falls in "Bukkapatna Chinkara Wildlife Sanctuary". Whether the said block is within the Wildlife Sanctuary area or in the ESZ area has to be ascertained and decided whether any provision is there to carryout exploration work by the LoI holder. 	After detailed deliberations it was opined that if the entire area is within the wildlife sanctuary/ eco sensitive zone then it is not possible to allow the exploration works as well as mining activities. Hence informed DCF, Tumakuru to examine whether the applied area fully falls in the Wildlife Sanctuary and send the report to Director, Department of Mines and Geology. Further informed user agency to submit the kml file of the area to DCF, Tumakuru for
		1 11 '	verification. Forest Department is in the
	Removal of physical signature	• At present bulk permits were issued by the Department	_
- 3	by the Forest Officials to the	of Mines and Geology after approval of the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forest in the ILMS. Before	decision at the government
	MDPs generated in the mine head through ILMS which was	issuing the bulk permits joint stock inspection will be	decision at the government

SL	Subject	·	Decision of the Committee
	integrated with Forest FTPS.	done by the concerned DMG officials and Forest officials. After issuance of bulk permit lessees will generate the Mineral Despatch Permits (MDPs) for the vehicles carrying ore after weighment in the weighbridges which were integrated with ILMS. After generation of MDPs forest officials are physically signing on the MDPs in the mine head. This will delay the transportation of ore. Hence, Forest Department is requested to remove the physical signatures to the MDPs.	level.
4	Extension of time for transportation of ore from mining leases	• At present Forest Department is allowing the lessees to transport ore from 6 AM to 6 PM. Due to infrastructure problems it is difficult to transport the consent capacity ore. Hence, it is requested to extend the time for transportation from 6 AM to 10 PM.	process of taking suitable

7. Forest Clearance Status in respect of Reserved Leases under section 17(A) and Existing Leases.

Sl. No	Name of the mining lease holder/address	Remarks	Decision of the Committee
1	M/s KIOCL Limited, ML No. 20, Ballari District. Extent: 388.00 Ha	 Stage – II Forest Clearance accorded by MoEF. Accordingly, lease has been executed by the Department of Mines and Geology. In another issue related to the KIOCL case Forest Department is linking the case to the present case. The issue is that as per CEC 114 Ha land of KIOCL has to be transferred to Forest Department. In this regard, the KIOCL is ready to complete the formalities for that KIOCL has sought consent to accept the land from Forest Department. The same is pending. The pending above issue, Forest Department is not entering into the Forest Agreement for the present mine. 	Several meetings were conducted with Ministry of Steel with regard to this issue. Suitable action will be taken at government level.
2	M/s Tumkur Minerals, ML No. 2175, Tumakuru District. Extent: 64.35 Ha	 Earlier this mining lease was granted as a Revenue land in the year 1993 As per Section 8A of MMDR Act, 1957 lease period was extended upto 10.11.2043 and Supplementary lease deed was executed on 25.02.2021. Monitoring Committee has not yet issued the resumption order for want of land status from the Forest Department. The Director, Department of Mines and Geology vide letters dated: 31.08.2023 and 02.08.2024 requested the PCCF to provide whether the leased area is forest land or not. Same is still pending. 	PCCF (FC) informed that DCF, Tumkur has submitted the report in this regard. Meeting was conducted under the chairmanship of PCCF (FC) on 14.02.2025 with APPCF (WP), CCF, Hassan, DCF, Tumkur and RFO, ICT. All the needful documents were submitted to APCCF (FC), Meeting proceedings yet to be

SI. No	Name of the mining lease holder/address	Remarks	Decision of the Committee
			communicated for further
			necessary action. Shortly status
			of land will be communicated to
			Monitoring Committee as well
			as Department of Mines and
			Geology.

8. Status of Forest Clearance for Approach Roads.

SL	Name of the Mine and ML No	Proposal number	Forest Clearance proposal status	Decision of the Committee
1	Vedanta Ltd ML No:2677, Chitradurga District. Extent: 160.59 Ha	FP/KA/MIN/ 32978/2013	 Forest Clearance for lease area is valid 28.10.2032. Lessee submitted application for Forest Clearance for approach road vide proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/32978/2013. CA land mutation is completed CA charges and NPV paid. Compliance report submitted by lessee is to be forwarded to GoI for Stage-II approval. Same is pending with State Government due to EDS raised by MOEFCC from 04.12.2024. 	PCCF (FC) informed that the proposal was earlier sent to MoEF, Govt of India. MoEF has raised EDS and the reply is recently submitted. Same will be forwarded to State Government for onward submission to Govt of India.
2	Vedanta Ltd ML No:2677, Chitradurga District.	FP/KA/MIN/ 144881/2021	 Forest clearance proposal for diversion of 3.331 Ha land for approach road through gate 3 in Sy no 20 megalahalli village, sy no 9 marijogihalli village and sy no 5&6 bedarabommanahalli village in Nirthadi 	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,



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	• Same	is pending with State Government for	om
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9. Forest Clearance Status in respect of Exploration of expired leases.

SL	Name of the block	Proposal number and Date	Present Status	Decision of the Committee
1	M/s Gadigi Mineral Mining Co. (ML No.1031), Ballari District. Extent: 50.29 Ha Commodity: Manganese Agency: KIOCL	06.06.2024. FP/KA/SRY/ 478916/2024	Forest Clearance proposal submitted afresh in Parivesh portal 2.0. PAC has cleared the proposal and sent to DCF Ballari. KIOCL has submitted the hard copies of proposal and old reports. Pending at DFO, Ballari from 28.06.2024 after acceptance in PSC-I.	CF to PCCF (FC) on 13.02.2025. (Online link from CF is awaited). Same is pending for verification. After detailed discussions informed forest department to take necessary action at the earliest.
2	Block-05: M/s Gadigi Mineral Mining Co. (ML No.2489 and Additional Area), Ballari District. Extent: 43.48 Ha	07.06.2024. FP/KA/SRY/ 479497/2024	Forest Clearance proposal submitted afresh in Parivesh portal 2.0. PAC has cleared the proposal and sent to DCF Ballari. KIOCL has submitted the hard copies of proposal and old reports. Pending at DFO, Ballari from 28.06.2024 after	PCCF (FC) informed the committee that DCF, Ballari has submitted the proposal on 28.01.2025 to CF, Ballari Circle. CF to PCCF (FC) on 13.02.2025.

SL	Name of the block	Proposal number and Date	Present Status	Decision of the Committee
	Commodity: Manganese Agency: KIOCL		acceptance in PSC-I.	(Online link from CF is awaited). Same is pending for verification. After detailed discussions informed forest department to take necessary action at the earliest.
3	M/s Kashimurthy Shetty and Sons (ML No.1177), Chitradurga District. Extent: 64.75 Ha Commodity: Manganese Agency: KIOCL	03.06.2024 FP/KA/SRY/ 476171/2024	Forest Clearance proposal submitted afresh in Parivesh portal 2.0. PAC has cleared the proposal and sent to DCF Ballari. KIOCL has submitted the hard copies of proposal and old reports. Pending at DFO, Ballari from 28.06.2024 after acceptance in PSC-I.	PCCF (FC) informed the committee that DCF, Chitradurga has submitted the proposal on 06.02.2025. CF to PCCF (FC) on 13.02.2025.



10. Forest Clearance Status in respect of Exploration of New Blocks.

SL	Name of the block	Date of application and Proposal number	Pending with	Decision of the Committee
1	CI16MMM2003 Sl No 12, Donimalai Range, Ballari District. Extent: 75.22 Ha Commodity: Iron Ore Agency: MECL	05.08.2024. FP/KA/SRY/491277 /2024	Forest Clearance proposal submitted afresh in Parivesh portal by MECL on 05.08.2024. Same is pending at UA from 20.01.2025 due to EDS raised by MS after PSC-I.	After detailed deliberations informed the user agency to comply with the EDS raised to process the proposal.
2	Dharmapura Block, Bellary District. Extent: 130.44 Ha Commodity: Iron Ore Agency: MECL	06.08.2024. FP/KA/SRY/491377 /2024	Forest Clearance proposal submitted afresh in Parivesh portal by MECL on 06.08.2024. Same is pending at MS for acceptance in PSC-I from 08.01.2025.	PCCF (FC) informed that the proposal is pending with user agency as the EDS raised by PSC-I. After detailed deliberations informed the user agency to comply with the EDS raised to process the proposal.

SL	Name of the block	Date of application and Proposal number	Pending with	Decision of the Committee
3	Amareshwara Block (G3 Exploration), Raichur District. Extent: 2.0 Sqkm Commodity: Lithium Agency: GSI	20/06/2024 FP/KA/SRY/480298 /2024	GSI has initiated G3 level of exploration for lithium as per the request of State Govt and applied for regular FC in parivesh portal 2.0. Total 37 boreholes are proposed in this area and proposal is pending with DFO, Raichur from 16.01.2025 as the UA replied to the EDS raised.	clearance as it is a prestigious

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12.Forest Department permission to carryout Exploration as per the MoEF guidelines without regular FC.

SL	Name of the block	Date of application	Pending with	Decision of the Committee	
1	Ettinahatti Block, Ballari District. Extent: 160.00 Ha Commodity: Iron Ore Agency: MECL	20.02.2024	The application seeking permission for drilling only 4 boreholes as per latest amendment is submitted to Forest Department on 20.02.2024. The proposal is forwarded to DFO, Ballari from PCCF on 12.03.2024. DFO has sought latest information from RFO and field visit is done with MECL representative. Revised borehole location details were provided to RFO. Same is pending with RFO.	Director, Department of Mines and Geology informed the Committee about latest revised guidelines issued by MoEF& CC dated 17.12.2024 and 17.01.2025 and requested Forest Department to issue necessary directions and orders to sub-ordinate officers in according permissions for	
2	Taralaghatta Block, Shivamogga District. Extent: 200 Ha Commodity: Cobalt and Manganese Agency: GSI	13.12.2023	Regular FC application was withdrawn in Parivesh portal 1.0 to avail permission as per the latest amendment. Accordingly, application was submitted to Nodal Officer on 13.12.2023 and report received from DCF, Sagara was submitted to Government with clarification on area falling outside the Kasturi Rangan Report of Western Ghat villages vide letter dated:25.03.2024. GSI, Bengaluru has submitted clarification to PCCF on 04.06.2024 and PCCF has sent the reply to Govt on 09.07.2024 with recommendation of conditional permission to GSI. Pending with State Govt for issuance	Exploration projects. The Chairman of the Committee directed PCCF (FC) to issue necessary directions after receiving the approval of Hon'ble Forest Minister to the power delegation file. Director, Department of Mines and Geology and PCCF (FC) agreed to have separate discussions on all exploration projects and expedite	

SL	Name of the block	Date of application	Pending with	Decision of the Committee				
			of formal order.	the forest permissions at the earliest.				

13.'ಸಿ' ರದ್ದಾದಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿಇರುವಅದಿರುಮತ್ತುವಶಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಕಬ್ಬಿಣದಅದಿರನ್ನುಹರಾಜುಮಾಡಿದ್ದುಸಾಗಾಣಿಕೆಮಾಡಲುಅರಣ್ಯಇಲಾಖೆಅನುಮತಿಬ ಗ್ಗೆ.

SL No	ML No.	District	Village	Taluk	Type of Land	Lot No	Type of Ore	Total	Final Amount (in Crores)	Successful Bidder
1	2148	Ballari	Dharmapura	Sandur	Forest	1R	ROM	11780		
2	2148	Ballari	Dharmapura	Sandur	Forest	2L	Lumps	14899	46.54	Acore Industries Pvt Ltd
3	2148	Ballari	Dharmapura	Sandur	Forest	3F	Fines	9534		
4	2148	Ballari	Dharmapura	Sandur	Forest	4R/SG	SGROM	308750		
	TOTAL (A)							3,44,963		
5	2563	Ballari	Ramghadh	Sandur	Forest	1R/SG	SGROM	252750		
6	2563	Ballari	Ramghadh	Sandur	Forest	2F	Fines	9061	29.08	M/s Rav Steels Pvt Ltd
7	2563	Ballari	Ramghadh	Sandur	Forest	3R	ROM	4744		
	TOTAL (B)						2,66,555			
	TOTAL (A) & (C)						6,11,518	75.62		

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7ರಲ್ಲಿನಸಿವರ್ಗದಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿನವಶಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಕಬ್ಬಿಣದಅದಿರನ್ನುಗಣಿಮತ್ತುಭೂವಿಜ್ಞಾನಇಲಾಖೆಯಿಂದಸದರಿಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಗಳುಚಾಲ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿದ್ದಸಮ



ಯದಲ್ಲಿಇ-ಹರಾಜುಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದ್ದುಬಿಡ್ ದಾರರುಗಳುಪ್ರಸ್ತುತಅರಣ್ಯಅನುಮತಿಗಳುಮುಕ್ತಾಯಗೊಂಡಕಾರಣತಾವುಗಳುಹರಾಜಿನಲ್ಲಿಖರೀದಿಸಿರುವಕಬ್ಬಿಣದಅದಿರನ್ನುಸಾಗಾಣಿಕೆಗೆಅನುವುಮಾಡಿಕೊ ಡುವಂತೆಕೋರಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅದರಂತೆ, ಅರಣ್ಯಇಲಾಖೆಯುತಾತ್ಕಾಲಿಕಅನುಮತಿನೀಡಲುಸೂಕ್ತಕ್ರಮವಹಿಸಬೇಕಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

Decision of the Committee:Director, Department of Mines and Geology informed the committee that the above iron ore were produced by the erstwhile lessees with valid forest clearances. Due to violation by way of encroachment Hon'ble Supreme Court has cancelled the leases. Now, whatever ore available in the said leases is the property of the State Government. Earlier, Monitoring Committee has disposed the part of the ore from the above said leases as per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court. For allowing Department of Mines and Geology to auction the said ore lying in the cancelled leases forest department has already obtained the legal opinion. Hence, requested forest department to allow the bidder to transport the above said auctioned ore.

After detailed discussions and deliberations Chairman informed forest department to take clarification from MoEF&CC, Govt of India to allow transportation of auctioned ore from the cancelled leases.

14.ರದ್ದು ಪಡಿಸಿದಸಿವರ್ಗದಹಾಗೂ ಅವಧಿಮುಗಿದಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಅದಿರಿನದಾಸ್ತಾನನ್ನು ವಿಲೇವಾರಿಮಾಡುವಕುರಿತು

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾವಾರುರದ್ದುಪಡಿಸಿದಹಾಗೂಅವಧಿಮುಗಿದಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಗಳಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿದಾಸ್ತಾನಿರುವಕಬ್ಬಿಣದಅದಿರಿನವಿವರಈಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿದೆ:

Sl. No	District	Quantity in Tonnes
1	Ballari	10,98,396
2	Vijayanagara	7,90,004
3	Chitradurga	28,905
4	Tumakuru	4,55,461

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	Total	23 72 766
L	TOTAL	209/29/00

ಈಮೇಲಿನದಾಸ್ತಾನನ್ನುವಿಲೇವಾರಿಮಾಡುವಕುರಿತಂತೆಈಹಿಂದೆಹಲವುಸಭೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿಹಾಗೂಮಾನ್ಯಮುಖ್ಯಮಂತ್ರಿಗಳಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷತೆಯಲ್ಲಿನಡೆದಸಭೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿಸಹಚರ್ಚಿ ಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಸದರಿದಾಸ್ತಾನನ್ನುವಿಲೇಪಡಿಸಲುನಿರ್ಧಾರಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲುಅರಣ್ಯಇಲಾಖೆಹಾಗೂಗಣಿಮತ್ತುಭೂವಿಜ್ಞಾನಇಲಾಖೆಯಿಂದಜಂಟಿತಪಾಸಣೆನಡೆಸಿಕೆಲವುಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳ ನ್ನುನೀಡುವಂತೆಅರಣ್ಯಇಲಾಖೆಯುಕೋರಲಾಗಿತ್ತು.

ಅದರಂತೆಕೇವಲತುಮಕೂರುಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಿಂದಮಾತ್ರವರದಿಸ್ವೀಕೃತಗೊಂಡಿದ್ದುಇನ್ನುಳಿದಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳಿಂದಇದುವರೆವಿಗೂವರದಿಸ್ವೀಕೃತಗೊಂಡಿರುವುದಿಲ್ಲಈಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹಲವಾರುಬಾರಿಸಂಬಂಧಪಟ್ಟಉಪಅರಣ್ಯಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆಮೌಖಿಕವಾಗಿಕೋರಲಾಗಿಯೂಸಹಇದುವರೆವಿಗೂವರದಿಸ್ವೀಕೃತಗೊಂಡಿರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಸದರಿಅದಿರುಹವಾಮಾನವೈಪರೀತ್ಯಗಳಿಂದಾಗಿದಿನೇದಿನೇಸವಕಳಿಯಾಗುವಸಂಭವವಿದ್ದುಸದರಿಅದಿರನ್ನುಹರಾಜುಮಾಡಲುಅರಣ್ಯಇಲಾಖೆಯುಅನುಮತಿನೀಡಿ ದ್ದಲ್ಲಿಇದರಿಂದರಾಜ್ಯಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆಹೆಚ್ಚಿನರಾಜಸ್ವನಿರೀಕ್ಷಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

Decision of the Committee: As discussed in the above agenda Chairman informed forest department to take clarification from MoEF&CC, Govt of India to allow transportation of auctioned ore from the cancelled leases.

15.ಉಪಖನಿಜಗಳಗಣಿಗಾರಿಕೆಗೆಸಂಬಂದಿಸಿದಂತೆ DEIAA ಯಿಂದಜಾರಿಮಾಡಲಾಗಿರುವಪರಿಸರಅನುಮತಿಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನು SEIAA ಯಿಂದಮರುಮೌಲ್ಯಮಾಪನ (Re-Appraisal) ಮಾಡುವಬಗ್ಗೆ:

ಭಾರತಸರ್ಕಾರದಪರಿಸರ್ತ

ಅರಣ್ಯಮತ್ತುಹವಮಾನಬದಲಾವಣೆಮಂತ್ರಾಲಯದದಿ:15-01-

2024ರಅಧಿಕೃತಜ್ಞಾಪನಪತ್ರದನುಸಾರಮಾನ್ಯರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯಹಸಿರುಪೀಠದಲ್ಲಿದಾಖಲಾಗಿರುವ

OA-142/2022

ದಿನಾಂಕ: 07-12-2022

ರಆದೇಶದಂತೆಉಪಖನಿಜಗಳಗಣಿಗಾರಿಕೆಗೆಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ/ಲೈಸೆನ್ಸ್ಮಂಜೂರಾತಿಗೆಜಿಲ್ಲಾಪರಿಸರಅಘಾತಅಂದಾಜೀಕರಣಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ

(DEIAA)

ದಿಂದಜಾರಿಮಾಡಿರುವಪರಿಸರಅನುಮತಿಪತ್ರಗಳನ್ನುರಾಜ್ಯಪರಿಸರಅಘಾತಅಂದಾಜೀಕರಣಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಿಂದಮರುಮೌಲ್ಯಮಾಪನ

(re-appraisal)

ಮಾಡಬೇಕಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಮಾನ್ಯಸರ್ವೋಚ್ಚನ್ಯಾಯಾಲಯದಸಿವಿಲ್

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ಸಂಖಯ:3799-3800/2019

ದಿನಾಂಕ:12.11.2024ರಆದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಈಆದೇಶಜಾರಿಯಾದ

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ವಾರದೊಳಗಾಗಿಯೋಜನಾಪ್ರವರ್ತಕರುಪರಿಸರಅನುಮತಿಗಳ**ಮರುಮೌಲ್ಯಮಾಪನಕ್ಕಾಗಿ**ರಾಜ್ಯಪರಿಸರಅಘಾತಅಂದಾಜೀಕರಣಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರಕ್ಕೆಅರ್ಜಿಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲುಹಾ



ಗೂಈರೀತಅರ್ಜಿಸಲ್ಲಿಕೆಯಾದನಂತರ SEIAA ವತಿಯಿಂದದಿನಾಂಕ:31.03.2025ರೊಳಗೆಮರುಮೌಲ್ಯಮಾಪನಮಾಡಲುನಿರ್ದೇಶನವಿತ್ತಿದೆ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ, ಈಬಗ್ಗೆಕ್ರಮವಹಿಸಿಕಲ್ಲುಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಸಂಬಂಧತ್ವರಿತವಾಗಿಪರಿಸರಅನುಮತಿಪತ್ರಜಾರಿಮಾಡುವಕುರಿತು.

Decision of the Committee: Director, Department of Mines and Geology informed that as per the National Green tribunal order SEIAA has to re-appraise the environmental clearances issued by the DEIAA before 31.03.2025, otherwise the quarry leases have to stop the quarrying operations. Hence, requested Environment Department to re-appraise the Environmental Clearances which were issued by DEIAA.

Secretary, SEIAA informed that total 1122 EC have to be re-appraised out of which 1058 proposals were received through DEIAA. User Agencies has to upload the documents in Parivesh Portal for re-appraisal. Accordingly, only 583 proposals were submitted by User Agency, out of which 25 proposals were re-appraised and EC's were issued. Another 20 proposals were ready to be issued. With regard to 367 proposal EDS has been raised to User Agencies.

After detailed discussions and deliberations informed Director, Department of Mines and Geology to conduct meeting with the District officers of the Department of Mines and Geology and Quarry Lease holders and inform them to upload the proposals properly as per the checklist provided by SEIAA. Further, informed all User Agencies to upload the compliance to the EDS raised in 367 cases within 1 week to dispose the same within 15 days.

16.ಗದಗಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಕಪ್ಪದಗುಡ್ಡವನ್ಯಜೀವಿದಾಮದ 1 ಕಿ.ಮೀವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿಬರುವಪರಿಸರಸೂಕ್ಮವಲಯದಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿಮಂಜೂರುಮಾಡಲಾಗಿದ್ದಕ್ರಷರ್ ಘಟಕದಆವರಣದಲ್ಲಿರುವಉಪಖನಿಜಗಳನ್ನುಎತ್ತುವಳಿಮಾಡಲುಅನುಮತಿನೀಡುವಕುರಿತು: ಗದಗಜಿಲ್ಲಾಕಪ್ಪದಗುಡ್ಡವನ್ಯಜೀವಿದಾಮದ 1 ಕಿ.ಮೀವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿಬರುವಪರಿಸರಸೂಕ್ಮವಲಯದವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿಬರುತ್ತಿದ್ದಕಾರಣ 10 ಕ್ರಷರ್ ಘಟಕಗಳನ್ನುರದ್ಧುಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ಸದರಿಕ್ರಷರ್ ಘಟಕದಲ್ಲಿರಾಜಧನಪಾವತಿಸಿದಾಸ್ತಾನಿರಿಸಿರುವಜಲ್ಲಿ / ಎಂ-ಸ್ಯಾಂಡ್ ಎತ್ತುವಳಿಮಾಡಲುಅನುಮತಿನೀಡುವಬಗ್ಗೆ.

Decision of the Committee: After detailed discussion and deliberations Department of Mines and Geology to submit the proposal to PCCF alongwith all relevant information to take necessary action in this regard.

17.ಹಾಸನಜಿಲ್ಲಾವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿಪರಭಾವಿತಅರಣ್ಯಪ್ರದೇಶದವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿರುವಕಲ್ಲುಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಪ್ರದೇಶದ ಘಟಕದಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿರಾಜಧನಪಾವತಿಸಿದಾಸ್ತಾನಿರಿಸಿರುವಉಪಖನಿಜವನ್ನುಎತ್ತುವಳಿಮಾಡಲುಅನುಮತಿನೀಡುವಕುರಿತು:

ಹಾಸನಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಹೊಳೆನರಸೀಪುರತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ನ್ಯಾಮನಳ್ಳಿಗ್ರಾಮದಸರ್ವೆನಂ. 102ರಲ್ಲಿಸರ್ಕಾರಿಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗಳಿಗಾಗಿ BSR Infra Tech India Limited ಇವರಿಗೆಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿರುವಕಲ್ಲುಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: HSNTSC-02 ಕ್ಕೆಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆರಾಜಧನಪಾವತಿಸಿಕ್ರಷರ್ ಘಟಕದಲ್ಲಿದಾಸ್ತಾನಿರುವ 1,00,970 ಮೆ.ಟನ್ಜಲ್ಲಿಕಲ್ಲನ್ನುಮತ್ತುಹಾಸನತಾಲ್ಲೂಕುಮಲ್ಲೇದೇವನಪುರಗ್ರಾಮದಸರ್ವೆನಂ.60ರಲ್ಲಿಮಂಜೂರಾಗಿರುವಕಲ್ಲುಗಣಿಗುತ್ತಿಗೆಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: HMG-574 ರಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿದಾಸ್ತಾನಿರುವ 50,000 ಮೆ.ಟನ್ ಕಟ್ಟಡಕಲ್ಲನ್ನುಎತ್ತುವಳಿಮಾಡಲುಅನುಮತಿನೀಡುವಕುರಿತು.

Decision of the Committee: After detailed discussion and deliberations informed Director, Department of Mines and Geology to take necessary action to issue ILMS permits for the stocks lying outside the Forest area as this material was extracted earlier for which NOC from Forest Department was obtained.

(ANJUM PARWEZ)

ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT FOREST, ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

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