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The Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer(FC Act)
Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF
Sylvan House, Lower Lachumiere
Shillong - 793001

Subject: Essential Details Sought on Forest Clearance Application for the 5.156 ha of

Shale-Siltstone Mining Project of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited ("LUMPL") at Shella, located at Shella Village in East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya

Reference: Proposal No. FP/ML/MIN/128584/2021

Dear Sir:

This has reference to the Forest Clearance application (the "Application") submitted online by Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd. ("LUMPL") on March 11, 2021 at the forest clearance portal - the "Parivesh" of the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change ("MoEFCC"). As per the Essential Details Sought which were uploaded against LUMPL's application at the portal we would like to provide the following responses:

Query No. (i):No. of Years under A-point x not mentioned

Response to your Query No (i)

Mining Lease was granted on August 30, 2002 over an area of 4.90 ha for Shale-Siltstone Mine, located at Shella Village in East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya for a period of 30 years.

Query No (ii): Prospecting of mineral done without prior permission under FC Act.

Response to your Query No (i)

1. Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd., (LUMPL), is a subsidiary of LafargeHolcim Bangladesh Ltd (LHB), Bangladesh. LHB has set up a limestone mine anda Shale-Siltstone Mine in India to supply Limestone and Shale to its a cross-border cement and clinker manufacturing plant in Bangladesh. The limestone mine and Shale-Siltstone Mine (hereinafter referred to as the Mining Project) was initially started by Lum Mawshun Minerals Pvt. Ltd. ("LMMPL"), another subsidiary of LHB established in the year 1996. All approvals obtained in the name of LMMPL which were subsequently transferred to LUMPL as the operating company. LUMPL has a mining lease over an area of 4.90 hectares for Shale-Siltstone granted on August 30, 2002 at Shella Village, East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya, India, and a mining lease over an area of 100 hectares for Limestone granted on January 3, 2002 at Phlangkaruh, Nongtrai Village, East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya, India. The crushed limestone from the mining site is transported to LHB plant located across border near Norai Village, Chhatak, Sunamgani District, Bangladesh through a 17 km elevated Long Belt Conveyor (LBC) (7 km of which lies within the territory of India and remaining in Bangladesh). In November 2000, the Government of India and the Government of Bangladesh signed a historic agreement through exchange of letters in order to support this unique cross-border project between the two neighboring countries.

2. The prospecting activities for the Mining Project were carried over 176 ha of land for Limestone in Nongtrai village, over an area of 200 ha of land at Phlangkaruh, Nongtrai village for Shale, and over an area of 150 ha at Shella village, also for Shale. The prospecting activities for the Mining Project was carried out in two phases – Phase I from 1994 to 1995 and Phase II from 2000 to 2002. On May 16, 2000, LMMPL received the permission for prospecting for Shale (Copy enclosed as Enclosure "A"). The 4.90 ha for Shale – siltstone Mine is a part of the said 200 ha area.

Non Classification of the Area as a Forest

- 3. An order was passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 12th December 1996 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/95 with Writ Petition (Civil) no 171/96, in the matter of TN Godavarman Thirumulpad V.Union of India & Ors, (the "Interim Order"). The Hon'ble Supreme Court, at para 5, of the Interim Order also inter-alia directed each State Government to constitute within one month an expert committee which shall identify areas which are "forests" irrespective of whether they are notified, recognised or classified under any law, and irrespective of the ownership of the land of such forests. The State Government of Meghalaya issued a notification No.114/96/Pt/41 and on January 8, 1997 formed the Expert Committee in terms of the Interim Order. The Report of the Expert Committee was filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide an affidavit dated May 3, 1997. Along with the Report of the Expert Committee, a letter dated March 26, 1997 of the Executive Committee, Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council (KHADC) was also placed on record identifying the areas covered by plantation areas belonging to the Council, village forests and private forests. We would also like to place on record that the area for the Mining Project at Shella and Nongtrai did not find mention in the report of the Expert Committee appointed by the State Government in compliance with the Interim Order to identify forest area in the State of Meghalaya. A copy of the report is enclosed as Enclosure "B".
- 4. Further, in terms of the Interim Order, the Directorate of Mineral Resources (DMR) vide letter dated February 10, 1997 sought clarification from Secretary to the Executive Committee, KHADC, Shillong requesting to clarify whether the mentioned Prospecting License (PL) for the area granted to LMMPL falls under forest or non-forest as per record. The Secretary, Executive Committee, KHADC, Shillong vide its letter dated April 28, 1997 clarified that the mentioned land for LMMPL does not fall under forest as per the record. Copies of the letters are enclosed as Enclosure "B1".
- 5. An application was also made to KHADC on February 08, 2000 by LMMPL seeking a No-objection for the Shale Mining Project. On January 24, 2002 the office of the Executive Committee, KHADC, Shillong issued a certificate of No-objection and also mentioned that the Shale area was a non-forest land. The certificate issued by KHADC is enclosed as Enclosure "C".
- 6. The Shale mining lease area of 4.9 ha was not considered to be a part of forest land. However, in terms of Part II of the Hon'ble Supreme Court order and judgment in IA 1868 of 2007 in Writ Petition (c) No. 2002 of 1995 titled 'TN Godavarman Thirumulpad V.Union of India & Ors' dated July 6, 2011 certain guidelines were laid down which are to be followed in future cases. In compliance of the afore-mentioned guidelines laid down by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, LUMPL filed an application dated October 20, 2011 to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(PCCF), Meghalaya for determination of the Shale 4.9 Ha under mining lease as 'Forest' or 'Non Forest'. A copy of the application is enclosed as **Enclosure "D"**.

- 7. On March 30, 2017, LUMPL made another application to the PCCF requesting for determination of the Shale area as Forest or Non-Forest. An inspection conducted by the DFO(T) and vide letter No. KH/1/45/87/2017 dated 03rd January 2018, the Shale area was determined to be a Non-Forest. A copy of the application and the inspection report is enclosed as Enclosure "E1 and E2".
- 8. Subsequently the matter was referred to the Regional Office of MoEFCC and on 19th March 2018, a joint inspection was carried out by the Regional Office of MoEFCC and the Territorial Division of the Department of Forests& Environment. As per the inspection, the Shale area was classified as forest, for the first time, which was communicated to LUMPL by the PCCF office vide letter no MFG.16/18/PCCF (T)/Vol-II/6601 dated 03rd August 2018. A copy of the letter is enclosed as **Enclosure "F"**.

It is therefore stated that prior to the letter no. MFG.16/18/PCCF (T)/Vol-II/6601 dated 03rd August 2018, the Shale area was never identified and declared as forest land by the authorities and hence no application for Forest Clearance was filed by LUMPL. It is pursuant to the change of view of the authorities and the subsequent identification and declaration of the Shale land as forest land that LUMPL filed the application for Forest Clearance forthwith. We request your good office to kindly take note of the same.

Request you to please let us know if any further information or clarification is required from our end.

Thanking you

Yours Sincerely, For Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd

Manjuree Rai Company Secretary

GOVERNMENT OF REGNALAYA MINING AND GEOLOGY DEPARTMENT

NC.MG.29/2000/23

Dated Shillong, the 16th May, 2000.

From :-

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya Mining and Geology Department.

To :-

The Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District.

Sub :-

Grant of prospecting Licences of M/S Lum Mawshun Minerals Pvt. Ltd. Shillong - 3 for Shate over an area of 200 hectares at Phlangkaruh, Nongtrai and an area of 150 hectares at Shella in East Khasi Hills District.

Ref :-

Letter No.DMR/MM/541/99/5933 dated 21.3.2000.

sir E

I am directed to convey Government approval to the Grant of Prospecting Licences for Shale over an area of 200 hectares at Phlangkaruh, Nongtrai, and an area of 150 hectares at Shella in East Khasi Hills District, in favour of M/S Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited for a period of 2(two) years from the date of execution of the Prospecting Licences in accordance with the provisions of the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 copies of the prospecting lecences under rule 15(2) of the said rules containing the terms and conditions both local and general on which the licences are to be executed are forwarded herewith for execution by you and the said party

I am to say that as per Rule 15 of the said Rules the Prospecting Licences shall be executed within 90 (ninety) days of the date of the communication of the order granting the Prospecting Licences or such further period as the State Govt. may allow in this behalf. I am also to say that as required under Rule 14 (I)(i) of the Mineral Concession Rules 1960, the Licences Shall pay prospecting fee Q Rs. 5/- per hectare per year, the prospecting fee of Rs. 880/- for the first year of the Licence as well as for the second year of the Licence has to be paid in advance in appropriate State Govt. Accounts by means of Treasury Challans.

Lastly, under Rule 20 (I) the Licencee shall, before the prograting Licences are executed, deposit as security for the due observance of the terms and conditions of the Licence a sum of No. 1000/-. Security deposit should be in the term of 'Term Deposit Rec.ipt' for a period of 2(two) years.

The Term Deposit Receipt should be pledged to the Secretary to the Government on Meghalaya, Mining and Geology Department.

Shale is a Mineral not included in the First Schedule of the Mines & Minerals (Regulation and Development) Acts, 1957. Therefore, the grant of Prospecting Licences for Shale is solely within the powers of the State Government.

Yours faithfully,

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Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya Mining and Geology Department

Memo No.MG.29/2000/23-A Dated Shillong, the 16th May, 2000. Copy to:-

- 1. Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Political Deptt.
- 2. Shri. Peter Khongmen, Extra Assistant Commissioner.
- 3. Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, KHADC, Shillong.
- 4. The Director of Mineral Resources for information and necessary action.
- 5. M/S Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited, Registered Office- Hotel Polo Towers, Oakland Road, Polo Ground Shillong 793001.

By Treer Etc.,

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA (CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION)

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO. 202 OF 1995

VERSUS

RESPONDENTS

ADVOCATE FOR THE STATE OF MEGHALAYA :MR RANJAN 5 P.B.Dt:3/5/97.

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UNION OF INDIA & OTHERS. RESPONDENTS

APPIDAVIT ON EXHALF OF THE STATE OF MECHALAYA.

I, Balvinder Singh, son of Shri Jagdip Singh, aged about 54 years, R/O. Forest Lodge 9-A. Shillong-793001, Cantonment Area, Shillong, Maghalaya do hereby solemnly affirm and say as follows:

- That I am the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest

 Meghalaya and as such I am competent to affirm this

 affidavit. I know all about the facts and circumstances

 of the case out of which the aforementioned Writ Petition

 arises.
- Order dated 12-12-1996 at Paragraph 5 had directed as under:

Each State Government should constitute within one month an Expert Committee to :-

(i). Identify areas which are "Forests" irrespective of whether they are so notified, recognised or contd..p/2.

classified under any law, and irrespective of the ownership of the land of such forest.

- (ii). identify areas which were earlier forests but stand degraded, demanded or cleared, and
- (iii). identify areas covered by Plantation trees belonging to the Government and those belonging to private persons.
- I most humbly and respectfully crave leave of this

 Hon'ble Court to annex herein to the report of the

 Expert Committee appointed in accordance with paragraph

 5 of this Hon'ble Court's order and the same is

 annexed herein (and marked as ANNEXURE-II).
- That I further state herein that at paragraph 6 of this Hon'ble Court's order dated 12-12-1996 this Hon'ble Court had directed as under namely :-

Each State Government should within two months file a report regarding

(i). the number of Saw Mills, Veneer and Plywood Mills actually operating within the State with particulars of their real ownership

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- (ii). the licensed and actual capacity of these Mills for stock and sawing;
- (iii) their proximity to the nearest forest; and (iv). their source of timber.
- 5. That I most humbly and respectfully state harein that in terms of this Hon'ble Court's direction at paragraph 6 of the order dated 12-12-1996, the Commissioner and the Secretary to the Government of the State of Meghalaya in the Forests and Environment Department Shri Jayant Moreshver Maushkar has filed a detailed report on 7.2.97 supported by his affidavit regarding the number of Saw-Mills, Veneer and Plywood Mills operating within the State of Meghalaya mentioning all other relevant and necessary details pertaining to the same and I crave leave of this Hon'ble Court to refer to and rely upon the s-aid report dated 7.2.1997 at the time of hearing of this Writ Petition.
 - That I state that this Hon'ble Court in its Order dated

 12-12-1996 at Paragraph 7 had directed as under :
 Each State Government should constitute within one month
 an Expert Committee to assess;
 - (i). the sustainable capacity of the Forests of the State qua Saw Mills and Timber based Industry;

- (ii). the number of existing Saw Mills which can safely be sustained in the State; and
- (111). the optimum distance from the forest qua that State at which the Saw Mill should be located. I most humbly and respectfully submit that the the State of Meghalaya pursuant to the aforesaid direction issued a Notification on 8.1.1997 correction an Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri S.B. Singh, Chief Conservator of Forests. However the State Government had to relieve Shri S.B. Singh, to supervise the resurvey of Balpakram National Park in terms of the order passed by the Gauhati High Court . The State Government has in place of Shri S.B. Singh appointed Mr.C. Thiangliana IFS-as the Chairman of the said Expert Committee and I most humbly and respectfully state that the report of the committee in terms of paragraph 7 of the order dated 12-12-1996 passed by this Hon ble court would be ready in a short time.

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- 7. That I state herein that this Hon'ble Court in its order dated 4-3-97 directed the State of Meghalaya to file an affidavit with full and complete particulars of :-
 - (a). the quantity of timber which comes from its forest for use by the rural tribal population, the extent to which it is made available to the rural tribal population including the terms on which it is so made available.
 - (b). the revenue derived by the State by way of royalty from minerals, mines and forest areas, purchase tax on export of timber, sale value of timber drawn from the Government Forests and the extent and quantity of such sale and the manner of sales,
 - (c). the number of wood based industries within the State and the number of persons employed in such industry.
- That I most humbly and respectfully state with regard to clause (b) of paragraph 7 hereinabove as under:
 - (A). It is hereby most humbly and respectfully stated that the area of the reserved forests and protected forests under the management and control of the

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State Forest Department is only around 5.02% of the geographical area of the State. The entire area is being treated as protected area and there is no falling of green standing trees other than wind-uprooted trees or trees illegally felled and seized by the State Forest Department. Therefore, the volume of timber available from the above said forest areas is very small and this volume is being marketed through the Forest Development Corporation of Meghalaya. The Forest Development Corporation of Meghalaya partially processes the timber logs in their saw mills and meets the demand of State Govt. Departments and meets the demand the surplus timber available is sold by inviting sealed tenders by the Corporation.

thereafter

- (B). As per the State of Forest Report 1995 the actual forest cover in the State corresponds to 70.1% of the geographical area of the State. The total forest cover in the State is projected at 15714 Sq. Kms. The Area of reserved and protected Forests including National Parks and Sanctuaries is around 1127.232 Sq.kms.only. It clearly implies that an area of 14587 Sq.kms.covered with forest is either under the management and control of the Autonomous District Councils or private owners.
- Autonomous District Councils and the rivate owners is the source of timber for meeting the demand of rural tribal population. There are three Autonomous District Councils in the State i.e. Khasi Hills Autonomous District Councils, Shillong, Jaintia Hills Autonomous

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District Council, Jowai and Garo Hills Autonomous

District Council, Tura, The rural tribal population have

direct access to the community forests or forests owned

by themselves.

(D). As per Censes of India 1991, the Total population of the State of Meghalaya is 17,74,778. The Districts wise break-up of population are given at ANNEXURE-'II'.

The Block-wise break-up of population in cluding the number of house hold are given at ANNEXURES-"IIA', 'IIB', 'IIC', 'IID' and 'IIE' and the break-up of decedal. change in population including the demand of Fuelwood and timber/house hold/year are given at ANNEXURES-"IIIA" 'IIIB', 'IIIC' 'IIID' and 'IIIE' respectively.

The District-wise break-up of 'ecadal change in population including the demand of Fuelwood and timber/ house hold/year including the figures for the whole State is given at ANNEXME-IV.

(E). DEMAND OF FUELWOOD/M³/YEAR IN THE STATE OF MEGNALAYA.

The District-wise estimated population upto 1997 are given as below :-

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	Districts.	Estimated population.
1.	Jaintia Hills	2, 22, 225
2.	Kast Khasi Hills	7,88,795
3.	West Khasi Hills	2,33,866
4.	West Garo Hills	5,09,626
5.	East Garo Hills	2, 32, 544
Tot	tal estimated Population	19,87,056
of	the State till 1997	

The total (i.e. Rural + Urban) requirement of Fuelwood for 1997 Population is estimated at 25,83,416 M³/Year (ANNEXURE_'IV').

However, major Urban Population are not using wood as fuel. Therefore, the above quantity will be much lesser.

The estimated Population till 1997 = 19,870,56

The Census Population of 1991 = 17,747,78

The estimated Change in population =+ 2,12,278

As per 1991 Census the Rural Population : Urban Population =

81%: 19%

Taking into consideration that the above ratio still holds good for 1997 estimated population, and considering that only Rur. Fepulation use wood as fuel, therefore total requirement of Fuelwood for the whole State would be = 25, 83, $\frac{416 \times 81=20}{100}$, 92,567 M³

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(F). DEMAND OF TIMBER/M³/YEAR FOR CONSTRUCTION/REPAIR OF HOUSES.

Total, of house hold in the State (ANNEXURE-'V)=353964

Requirement of timber/House hold/year =0.5 m³

Therefore Total requirement of Timber/Year =353964

1,76,982 M

(G). The above stated quantities of timber since meant for local consumption come from the community/private forest areas. in the vicinity of the villages and is available to the rural tribal population as per terms and conditions laid down by the Clan/community.

Copy of letter at ANNEXURE 'V' clearly indicates that the Autonomous District Council of Khasi Hills have no control over the distribution/allotment of timber and Fuelwood to the rural Tribal. Similarly will be the case of other Autonomous District Council of the State.

- 9. That I most humbly and respectfully state with regard to clause (b) of Paragram 7 hereinabove as under :
 - (A). In response to the above stated direction, I am to most respectfilly state that there is no mining activity inside the reserved forests and protected forests under the management and control of the State Forest Department. However, from areas all over the State royalty on minor minerals at the rates stated

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against each is collected by the State Forest Department as under:

- (a) Sand Rs. 20,00 per c um
- (b). Gravel, broken stone, single, boulder. Rs. 40,00 per cum
- (c). Squarred stone Rs. 48,00 per cum
- (d), Clay and Earth Rs. 16,00 per cum

The total revenue collected on minor minerals is shared between the State Govt.and the Autonomous District Councils in the ratio of 40:60. The royalty on major minerals is collected by the Department of Mineral Resources.

(AA). In so far as matter relating to mining are concerned, due steps have been initiated for the implementation of the Supreme Court Orders in State Reserved Forests. It has been verified and confirmed that there are no mining leases in those forest areas. As regards other forest areas, the management of the same is constitutionally vested with the Autonomous District Councils.

Herein, it may be mentioned that because of the nature of the coal deposits and also on account of the peculiar land tenure system in Meghalaya, the coal mining activities in the State are being carried out by private individuals on small scale basis on land which either belong to the private individuals or clans or the community. With the passage of time, the local people have accepted that mining of minerals occurring in their land is their traditional

traditional and customary right. As a result of various discussions between the State Government and the Govt.of India.it was decided not to interfere with such rights. Hence, men no mining leases were issued by the State Government to the small operators. Further, the Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council (KHADC) and the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council (GHADC) have confirmed that the coal mining areas are not in the forest lands managed by them. As regards, the mining leases granted by the State Government in the organised Sector, it has also been confirmed by the GHADC/KHADC that the same do not fall on Forest land. Confirmation of the Jaintia Hills Autonomous District Council (JEADC) is awaited in respect of the mining lease granted to the Jointia cements Ltd and of the status of the coal mining areas in their jurisdiction. As per the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution, the management of the forest areas other than the Reserved forest, vests w-ith the Autonomous District Councils. A copy of the Supreme Court order has been sent to the Autonomous District Councils for implementation of the provisions of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 in the contex-t of the Supreme Court's order dated 4.3.97 for mining matters within in their jurisdiction. As a point of abundant caution, State Govt.has also written to all coal mine owners and their concerned associations

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and exporters of coal apprising them of the Supreme Court Orders and directing them to take necessary action accordingly. (True Photocopy of the Note on mining of Major Minerals by the Commissioner Industries, Mining and Geology is annexed hereto and marked as ANNEXURE-"VII").

(B). The total revenue received by the State Government on account of minor and major minerals for the financial year 1995-96 and 1996-97 is stated as under:-

(Rs.in: lakhs)

Year	Receipts from Minor minerals .	Receipts from Major minerals
1995-96.	265 ,77	34, 55. 36
1996 - 97	225 .1 2	3,908, 83

(C). Revenue from Forest Areas:

- (i). Sale of Broomstick Mahal Rs.80,000 (app.) per annum
- (ii). Outturn and sale value of timber from reserved forests and protected forest only -

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<u>Year</u>	Outturn (m3)	<u>Value (Rs.in '000</u>)
1992-93	1085	2223.000
1993-94	4041	8252.256
1994-95	2060	4202.899
1995-96	1892	3546.393

The above stated outturn of timber has originated either from winduprooted trees or trees illegally felled by timber smugglers and seized
by the State Forest Department. It may be noted that inside the
reserved forests and protected there is no felling of green standing
trees, since the area of reserved forests and protected forests is very
small and is being treated for biogenetic diversity conservation. Major
volume of timber is allotted to the Forest Development Corporation of
Meghalaya Ltd. For processing ion their saw-mills for supply to
preferably State and Central Govt. Departments and to individuals on
competitive basis.

(D). Revenue generated on account of issue of Export Transit passes in respect of timber moving outside the State -

1996-97 - Rs. 1,38,79,884.00

Revenue generated on account of Purchase Tax on timber collected by the Taxation Department –

- Rs. 90,44,389=00 1994-95 - Rs. 173, 20,669=00 1995-96 - Rs. 322,41,860=00

I crave leave of this Hon'ble Court to annex herein the schedule of Rates of Royalty on Forest Produce w.e.f. 1-3-94 (and the same is annexed hereto and marked as <u>ANNEXURE-'VI</u>).

- 10. That I most humbly and respectfully state with regard to clause (c) of paragraph 7 as under:-
 - (iii). The number of Wood-Based Industries within the State and the number of persons employed in such Industry:
 - A. (1). Plywood Mills. : 1 No.
 - (2). Veneer Mills : 14 Nos.
 - (3). Saw-Cum-Veneer
 Mills . 61 Nos.
 - (4). Saw Hills : 166 Nos. 242 Nos
 - B. Number of Persons employed: 5396 Nos.
 in the above stated industries.
- That in addition to what has been stated hereinabove in the foregoing paragraphs, I most humbly and respectfully crave leave of this Hon'ble Court to give a comprehensive statement about the past activity and future action of the Government of Meghalaya to tackle the problem of Degradation and Degeneration of the Forests and the same are briefly mentioned hereinbelow.
- Meghalaya is a predominantly a hilly State with 22429 Sq. Mm.area. The population of the State as per the 1991 census figures is 17, 74, 778 out of which 14, 44, 731 is predominantly tribal rural population. By virtue of the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution of India all the land area in the State outside the area

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of reserved forests falls under the management and jurisdiction of three Autonomous district councils in the State. These are Khasi Hills, Garo Hills and Jaintia Hills District Councils. This is done with the aim of preserving the tribal customs, rights etc. inthe State. The total forest area in the State is 12638 Sq.KM.as per the figures compiled by the Expert Committee on Forest Areas sat up as per the directions of the Supreme Court in the present case. Out of this only 1127.232 Sq.KM., which makes up for about 5% of the area of the State, is under the control of the Forest Department.

- The Autonomous District Councils of the State have their own Acts and Rules and Regulations for management of forests under their jurisdiction. Though the land holding pattern and the land tenure system for the three district councils are different, there are similarities in their method of working of the forests. Most of these forests are privately owned and are operated under a permit system. The District Councils collect royalty or management feets from the timber operators from these forests.
- A large area of the forests under the autonomous district Councils in the State are under jhuming which is a way of life for a large section of the rural trital population. Though the number of jhumias has come down from 7 2000 families to about 53000 families in the past one decade or so due to schemes and programmes of the State Covt., it will take still more time for the people to abandon this practice. This will come about only with a chance in attitude of the people.

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The forests area comprising of 1127. 232 Sq. Km is in the form of reserved forests, forests, protected forests, national parks and wildlife sanctuaries etc. The reserved and protected forests have been managed under working plans which are under the process of being revised and updated.

Some features specific to the State of Meghalaya in the matter of management of forests are as follows, which I beg to bring before this Hon'ble Court:

- (i). On the application of various definitions of "forests" and "forest land" most of the area of the State will come under the restrictions imposed by the Forest Conversation Act 1980 even though practically no forests exists in these areas.
- (ii). There is a large local demand for timber as building material and firewood especially in rural areas as other building material and fuel is not available. This has traditionally come from private forests and operated under local conventions and rights.
- (iii). Meghalaya is an industrially underdeveloped State and in the agricultural sector modern practices have not permeated down to the farmers. Timber operations and trade and wood based industries have in the past been a significant scored of employment to tribal people. As a matter of fact people in rural areas make conscious efforts to raise plantations of forest trees and nature the naturally regenerated seedlings in their lands.

- District Councils from timber operated from forests under their jurisdiction is an important source of their revenue. The State Govt. also collects revenue from timber exported from district council areas in the form of Meghalaya Purchase Tax and export fees. The Meghalaya Purchase Tax is at present 80% of the price of last purchase in the State before export. The export fees are charged at the rate of Rs.500 per truckload of round timber and Rs.200 per truckload of sawn timber. These are in addition to the Sale value received from disposal of windfallen and seized tumber.
 - (v). A certain quantity of timber available from forests in the State is supplied to central public Sector Undertaking like Bharat Heavy Electrical Limited, Coal India Limited, Port Trusts etc. in addition to supplies made to the Government Departments.
- In the forests under the direct control of the State Govt., management is done as per the accepted principles of scientific forestry. Even though the Working Plans are under the process of updating, all green fellings in the State Govt. forests have been stopped since past several years and only windfallen trees and timber cut illegally and seized by forest officials is allowed to be removed only through the Forest Development Corporation of Meghalaya Ltd.

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- operations of trees from the forests under the jurisdiction of District Councils. As direct intervention by the Govt. in the affairs of the District Councils in the matter of management of forests may have been perceived as going against the spirit of the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution, cartain steps have been taken to indirectly put a check on indiscriminate felling of trees.
- Meghalaya Tree Preservation Act, 1976 prohibits the felling of trees without specific permission of the Govt.in Shillong within a radius of 10 Km.and in some areas of Garo Hills. Seventy species of trees come under the ambit of this Act. There is provision for extending this Act to other parts of the State also.
- Meghalaya Removal of Timber (Regulation) Act, 1981
 stipulates a ban on export of timber of none prominent
 species from forests outside the control of the State
 Govt. It also prohibits export of timber logs of any
 species below 60 CM. girth.
- 19. The State Govt, has imposed Meghalaya Purchase Tax on export of timber from the State which at present is leviable 080% of the last purchase price in the State. In addition to this an export T.F. is to be obtained on payment of a fee for exporting timber.

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- 20. The State Govt.has deputed three Divisional Forest
 Officers to the three District Councils whose services
 are to be utilised by the District Councils for technical
 and executive work.
- 21. After the Hon'ble Supreme Court passed the orders on 12th December, 1996 the State Govt. complied with the directions contained therein on top priority basis.
- The movement of timber was stopped initially out of the Norther eastern region and out of the State as soon as the Order dated 12-12-1996 was passed by this Hontble Court.
- In compliance with this Hon'ble Court's orders of 4th March, 1997 the State Govtl has maintained regular communication with the High power Committee constituted by the supreme Court and have formed the State level and District level committees as directed by the High Power Committee. The Autonomous District Councils have also been requested to constitute such Committees for their area while various information and details as required by High Power Committee were submitted during their visit to Stillong on the 23rd and 24th April, 1997.
- 24. The Govt. of Meghalaya is planning to take a number of steps in order to preserve the forest wealth of the State and check the trend of over-exploitation.

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In the past there was a proposal for Unified Control of forests by the State Govt. and the District Councils. This could not make progress because of legal problems preventing the District Councils from entrusting part of the forestry management to the State Forest Department. The Govt. have decided to revive this proposal and most constitutional amendments after appropriate legal consultations and discussions with the District Councils.

The Government is planning to obtain satellite imagery and darial photographs and maps based upon them on regular basis so that the scale of emploitation and the resultant effect—upon the forest cover—in the state may be monitored—regularly. In the long run it has been proposed—that the Forest Department should have its own remote sensing interpretation facilities for this purpose.

25. The State Government has decided to have a more effective coordination with the Government of Assum and the Border security Forces authorities so that smuggling of timber accross inter-state border and international border may be checked.

The State Govt.is planning to introduce a system to cross-check the actual transport of timber under their transit passes. This will ensure that illegally cut timber is not carried by misuse of transit passes or under forged transit passes.

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26. That I most hambly and respectfully submit that this affidavit filed by me on behalf of the State of Meghalaya may kindly be directed to be taken up on record. I pray a corlingly.

27. The Annexures filed alongwith this affidavit are all true copies.

(BALVINDER SING!)

Solemnly affirmed before me at New Delhi, this the 3rd day of May, 1997.

APPOINTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA 5 (i), (iii), (iii) OF I-GENERAL OF THE SUPREME COURT INTERIM DIRECTIONS IN WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO. 202 OF 1995.

T. N. GODAVARMAN THIRUMULKPAD -- Petitioner

Union of India and Others -- Respondents (with W. P. (Civil) No.171/96).

Introduction

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The geographical area of the State of Meghalaya 22,429 Sq.Kms. The State Government controls a very small fraction of the total area and such areas are Reserved Forests, Protected Forests, National Parks, Sanctuaries, Gardens and some additional areas occupied by State Government Offices/Complexes. The actual extent of the areas occupied by above stated categories are recorded in Government records thus exact area figures are available. But, for the rest of the areas revenue records like some other States wherein cadastral survey records are updated from time to time are not available in the State of Meghalaya. These areas are under the control of the three Autonomous District Councils i.e. Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council, Jaintia Hills Autonomous District Council and Garo Hills Autonomous District Council.

We made an attempt to find out from the District Council Authorities some approximate figures related to the forest areas under their management and control. After a series of meetings it appears that reliable area figures are not available with them since regular cadastral survey for the entire state has not been conducted. The Director of Land Records and Survey also attended the meetings and categorically pointed out that Meghalaya as a whole is a Non-Cadastral State.

-As per the State of Forest Report 1995 published by the Forest Survey of India, the total forest cover in the State is recorded is 15,714 Sq. Kms. Out of which dense forest category

constitutes 4045 Sq. Kms. and the open forest category constitutes 11,669 Sq.Kms. Here it may be mentioned that the entire forest are under the management and control of State Government and the area planted under the Social Forestry Sector of the State Forest Department can be safely included under the category of dense forest.

The Forest cover figure projected by the Forest Survey of India for the State of Meghalaya needs probing on the ground as doubts have been expressed at various platforms regarding, the forest cover figure which the well acquainted persons with fauna and flora on the ground estimate between 45% to 50% of the geographical area of the State.

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GICNATURES OF THE MEMBERS OF THE EXPERT COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED VIDE GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION NO. FOR/96/Pt/41 DATED 4.1.97
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	Forest areas directly under the Department of Meghalaya	e control	¥-i., ¥	he State Forests
(a)	Reserved Forests		_	712.15 Sq.Kms.
(b)	Protected Forests	•	,	12.39 "
(c)	National Parks		+	399.482 "
(d)	Proposed Nonumiang & Gittingr Reserved		_	2.71 "
(e)	Areas under Parks & Gardens		_	0.50
	Grand Total	Α	-	1127.232 Sq.Kms
, (†)	Forests areas in the campus of Eastern Hills University	f the North		3 Sq.Kms. Approx.
(g)	'Forests areas under defence	•	·	4 Sq.Kms. Approx.
		Total - 8	3 -	7 Sq.Kms. Approx.
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(c) Village Reserved Forests (d) Private/Community Forests	Extent of private forests area under Mylliem Sylmship is estimated at 161.17 Sq.Kms.Extent of area under other Sylemship are not known at present since areas are not surveyed.
3 Areas which were warding a	Total - E - 181.17 Sq.Kms.
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Estimated area, 4000 Sq.Kms (a not available,	pprox) since survey figures are
	Total - F - 4000.00 Sq.Kms.
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and those belonging to private	ees belonging to the Government
(a) Areas planted by State For Department in the Social F Sector	rests
(b) Areas planted by the Eco-D ment Society	evelop- - 5.38 "
(c) Areas planted by the Fores lopment Corporation of Meg	shalaya - 14.27 "
(d) Areas planted by the Auton District Councils	- 124.15 "
(e) Areas planted by Soil Cons Department	servation :
(i) Pine + Non Pine	- 226.69 "
(ii) Cash Crop	- 63.50 "
Total	G - 1253.40 Sq.Kms.
(f) Plantation raised by indi- are not available at prese	viduale
including areas under pla	state as per record available
(A+B+	C+D+E+G) = 8638.312 Sq.Kms.

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A. Forest areas directly under the control of the State Department, Meghalaya.

Name of Reserved	Gazette Notification and Date.	Area (Sq. Km)
1.	2.	3.
1. Saipung Reserved Forest	No.26/7/1876 and 5 of 17.10.1877	150.35
2. Narpuh Block I	No.3978 F of 17.6.1809	62.42
3. Narpuh Block II	No.1106 R of 9.3.1918	98.68
4. Rait Khwan Reserved Forest	No.806 R of 5.3.1892 and 4287 R of 1.9.1892	3.91
5. Shyrwat Reserved Forest	No.F or 179/80/187 of 28.3.1988	0.44
6. Riat Laban Reserved Forest	No.F OR 179/80/183 of 28.3.1988	2.05
 Nongkhyllem Reserved Forests 	No.4692 F of 23.7.1909 and 864 G.J. of 4.2.1939	125.91
8. Umsaw Reserved Forest	No. G.F.R. 234/46/3 of 16.12.1946	0.44
9. Chimabongshi Reserved Forest	No. 28 dt.19.6.1863 and FOR/Sectt/492/63/4 dt. 22.12.1965	23.28
10. Dhima Reserved Forests	No. 28 dt.19.6.1883 and 3751 R of 11.8.1904	20.72
11. Rajāsimla Reserved Forests	No. 28 of 19.6.1883 and 665 R of 15.2.1899	18.13
12. Dilma Reserved Forests	No. 28 of 19.6.1883	2.59
13. Ildek Reserved Forests	No. 28 of 19.6.1883	2.59
14. Darugiri Reserved Forests	No. 28 of 19.6.1883 and 375 R of 29.1.1932	10.36

15. Rongrengiri Reserved Forests	No. 28 of 19.6.1883 and 375 R of 29.1.1932	36.26
16. Dambu Reserved Forests	No. 22 of 12.3.1880 and 4276 R of 14.10.1962	18.13
17. Songsak Reserved Forests	No. 29 of 1.10.1885 and 3583 R of 5.9.1902	23.31
18. Dibru Hills ' Reserved Forests	No. 28 dt. 19.6.1883 and 3526 R of 10.12.1930	
19. Tura Peak Reserved Forests.	No.FOR 10/75/32 dt. 23.6.1982	4.19
20. Baghmara Reserved Forest	No. 12 dt. 24.2.1887 (1.40 dereserved vide G.O.I. L/No.8-98/81-FRY	
21. Angratoli Reserved Forests.	(Corrd) dt.14.5.1982)	43.91
22. Rawak Reserved Forest	No.44 dt.7.11.198" and 1699 R of 26.7.1932.	30.11
23. Emangiri Reserved Forests.	No.44 dt.7.11.1883 and 1699 R of 26.7.9132.	8.29
24. Siju Reserved Forests,	No. 44 dt. 7.11.1883 and 2323 R of 26.7.1932	5.18
Total Reserved Forrests	::	712.15
	Area acquired and step Being taken for declaring as a Reserved Forests	0.31
2. Gittingiri	Area obtained in exchange of 140 ha of Bagmera Reserved Forest Vido C D	
	L/No.8-89/81- FRY (Coord) dt.14-5-1982.area is being declared as a Reserved Forest.	
Total area being proposed as	Reserved Forest	2,40
		2.71

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National Parks and Sanctuaries

Name of Parks/Sanctuaries	Gazette Notification and Date.	Arna (Sq.Km) ³
1. Balphakram National Park.	No. FOR.103-84/354 dt. 15.2.1986.	220.00
2. Balphakram National Park:	Area acquired but yet be notified as Nation Park.	
3. Nokrek National Park.	No.FOR. 23/86/204 dt.29.11.1986.	47.48
Total National Parks	::	399.482
* Area already acquired bu National Park.	t yet to be notified as	
Sanctuaries		
 Nongkhyllem Wildlife sanctuary. 	No. FOR.25/81/5 dt. 25.3.1981	29.00
2. Siju Wildlife Sanctuary.	No. MFG.86/4 dt. 30.3.1981	5.18
3. Baghmara Pitcher Plant Sanctuary.	No.FOR.79/84/5 dt.24.5.1984	0.02
Total Sanctuaries.	: :	34.20
* Area included in Reserv	ved Forests.	
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Name of Parks/Sanctuaries	Gazette Notification and Date.	Area (Sq.Km)
C. Protected Forests		
1: Upper Shillong Protected Forests	•	7.66
2. Short Round Protected Forests	•	1.13
 Laitkor Protected Forests 	•	3.25
4. Umkhuti i	· .	

	Protected Forests.		0.14
	5. Green Block No.2		0.21
	Total Frotected Forests		12.39
• * = 1 • •	Reserved Forests	,	712.15
	Protected Forests '		12.39
	National Parks		399.482
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D.	Area under Parks and Gardens (under Forest	the cont	rol of the
	1. East Garo Hills	_	0.19 Sq.Kms.
·	2. West Garo Hills	••	.0.13 "
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	3. East Khasi Hills	. -	0.18 "
	Total		0.50 Sq.Kms.

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E. FOREST AREA UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCILS

(Area in Sq.Kms.)

		Private Forests/ Community Forests.	Protected Forests	Unclassed State Forests	Village Reserved Forests.
**		1.	2.	3.	4.
1. Jaintia Hil District Co 2. Garo Hills	uncil.	Determination of Area, under process	34.22	1000 (Approv) Not yet surveyed	3.49
3. Khasi Hills District Co	Autonomorus	4843.30 Sq.Km. 161.17 Sq.Km (Under My) Sylemship only) Forest	AFORA	•	209.50
	Grand	unsureyed, Only name of are anclosed	ra.	•	Area not yet, surveyed (only list of Forest, enclosed)

OFFICE OF THE JAINTIA HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL: JOWAT NO.JHADC/For/3/97/114 Dated Jowai , the 5th Feb. 1997

To Shri C. Budnah, I.F.S. Member Secretary Expert Committee Environment and Forests and Conservator of Forests (Social Forestry) Meghalaya, Shillong.

Subject: Information about Forest Areas, etc. Sir,

With reference to the letter No. JH/MISC/96-97/2489 DT.1.2.97 from the Divisional Forest Officer (T) Jaintia Hills Division, Jowai I am directed to furnish below the forest areas under the management and control of this District Council.

- (a) District Council Unclassed Forest These are forest hither to known as Unclassed Forests before the commencement of the constitution of India and under the management and controlled by the Executive Committee (JHADC). These are mainly located at Saipung Sirdarship and Narpuh, Rymbai, Lakadong Dolloiship and Thadmynri and cover an area of 1,000 Sq.Km (Approx.)
- (b) Protected Forest These forests within the District as already declared and recorded since British Regime as enclosed list herewith and cover an area of 34.33 Sq.Km.
- (c) Village Forests. Community Determination of Area under Forests. Private Forests. etc. process except list of land holding certificate issued by Jaintia Hills Autonomous

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District Council in respect of pine groves (Copy enclosed)

PLANTATIONS - This District Council execute plantation scheme with financial assistance from the State Government and the species planted are Teak, Pine and Mixed Plywood species. There is also the natural regeneration of Sal at Thadmynri and a Scheme to protect and improve the growth of this species is being taken up by this District Council. The total area and the location of these plantations are enclosed herewith.

Other informations will be discussed in the Expert Committee to be held on 10.2.96 in Shillong.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/Chief Forest Officer,
Laintia Hills Autonomous District Council

OFFICE OF THE JAINTIA HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL: JOWAI NO.JHADC/FOR/3/97/425 Dated Jowai, the 3rd April '97.

To.

The Conservator of Forests Social Forestry and Environment and member Secratary Export Committee Meghalaya, Shillong.

Subject :- Information about forest areas etc.

Referance :- Your Letter No. MFG.39/53/97/1, dt. 28.2.97

Sir,

With reference to the above, I am directed to inform you that due to non-available of fund as well as lot of time consuming for the purpose, so this District council is not in the position to furnish the area of Private Forests, etc. at

Yours faithfully

sd/xxx Chief Forest Officer, Haintia hills Autonomous District Council, Jowai.

STATEMET SHOWING THE PLANTATION AREAS OF THE JAINTIA HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL

"A" - ICAK PLANTATION
Centre

(a) Sunai-Cherra and Wah - Ratacherra area

- 54.00 Hect.

(b) Prang

- 10.00

(c) Bali-Cherra (Umkiang)

- 8.00

(d) Sumer area

- 30.00

Total - 102.00 Hect. Approx.

"" - PINE PLANTATION

Centre/Area

(1967-68 to 1982-83)
Total area - 1513.00 Hect.

(Approx.)

Kyashitang, Par-wmshong,
Rymbai, Saipung, Nongthymmai, Sumer, Myngkoiram,
Saitsama, Khanduli, Thadmynri and some waste lands
and blank ares of Protected Forests.

"C" - PLYWOOD PLANTATION

(1979-80 to 1995-96)

Total area - 190.00 Hect.

(Approx.)

Centre/Area

Thadmynri, Kuliang, Ratacherra, Khanduli. "D" - <u>SOCIAL FORESTRY</u> (1990-91) - 333.5 Hect. Centre/Area

Bungnakung, Sohkhliah,

Kdong-ramali, Panaliar

Cremation ground, Lulong

Cremation ground, Madan

viar slashiat, Iongshram,

Umshangyiar, ICI, Saipung,

Umbthah, Dionum, Umshlew,

Sohmyntha, Ionghinga

E" - <u>SAL WOOD</u> - (Natural Regeneration) 20.00 Hect. Centre/Area
Thadmynri.

(Nangbah).

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2.	Jowai	Mooraliang	5.33 Hect	Village Forest
3.	Jowai	Mynkrem	1048.75 "	An are of 93.25
				hect, has been sliced out to constitute the Khliehtyrshi Village Forest.
4.	Nongjngi	Massiang- Umlanghoo	43.16 Hect.	
5.	Nartiang	Umbah (7.00 "	
6.	Nartiang	Larnai	64.00 "	
7.	Nongbah	. Mukhla	15.00 "	
8.	Shangpung	Shand lang	129.00 "	
9.	Raliang	Raliang	6.04 "	· ·
10.	Mynso	Myntang 🔍	129.50 "	
11.	Shilliang-Myntang	Umlylang	64.00 "	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
12.	Sutnga	Umshyngiar	194.00 "	
13.	Rymbai	Ladakhar- Umsalanghar	259.00 "	•

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		Duwar Blai	896.00	**	
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19.	Anwi	: Myrkein	128.00	•	
18.	Nongtalang	Nongtalang	64.00	61	

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OFFICE OF THE GARO HILLS DISTRICT COUNCIL : TURA

(FOREST : BRANCH)

NO.CF.153/SCO/CR/96-97/2786 Dated Tura, the 27th Jan, 1997.

From:

Secretary, Executive committee, Garo Hills Autonomous District Council, Tura.

To

The Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry & Environment, and Member Secretary, Expert Committee, Meghalaya, Shillong.

Subject: Private Forest areas within the akhingland under the management and control of the Garo Hills Autonomous District Council.

Ref : Your Office Letter No. MFS-G/1/160/97 dt. 10.1.97:

Sir.

with reference to your Office letter on the subject referred to above. I am to furnish the following information regarding the forest areas which are under the control and management of this District Council, All the forest areas of this Council are covered by the private forests of the Akhing lands (Nokmaship) within the Districts of East/West and South Gafo Hills.

1. Number of Akhing lands within
East /West and South Garo Hills - 1,404 Strips.

2. Total areas of akhing lands
(Nokmaship). - 7,383 Sq.Km.

3. Total areas of Homesteads - 2,106 Sq.Km.

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Total:	- 4,843,3 Sq.Km.
8. Tura Range	- 405.0 Sq.Km.
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5. Songsak Range	- 414.0 Sq.Km.
4. Williamnagar Range	- 635.0 Sq.Km.
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3. Kharkutta Range	- 612.0 Sq.Km.
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This is for favour of your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/Secretary Executive Committee,
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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE KHASI HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL, SHILLONG.

No. DC.XIV(A) 251/97/20

Dated Shillong, the 26th March, 97.

From :-

The Secretary, Executive Committee,

Khasi Hills District Council,

Shillona.

To:

The Conservator of Forest, Social Forestry & Environment,

Meghalaya, Shillong.

AND

Member Secretary, Expert Committee, Meghalaya, Shillon

Subject:

Expert Committee to identity the area covered by Plantation areas belonging to the Council, village forest,

and private forests.

Reference: No MFG. 39/53/97/1 dated 28th February, 1997. & No. MFG. 39/53/97/1 dated 11th March, 1997.

Sir,

With reference to your letters mentioned above, I am directed to inform you that this office is in position to furnish only the areas figures of District Council Plantations which information has already been furnished to the Expert Committee.

Coming to the requirements relating to area figures of private Forests and Village Forests, I am directed to draw your kind attention to the age-old customary practice prevailing in Khasi Hills where the system of land holding recognised on the basis of boundaries either by distinctive land marks or trench digging or erecting corner stone without recording the area figure thereof.

Therefore, it will be difficult at this stage even to assume the extent of such forest areas. Further, the survey, if it is to be conducted, to determine acreage of these areas will involved huge expenditure and would require adequate time as such survey can be conducted only during the spells of dry seasons.

However, the District Council has made efforts to solicite information from its Elaka Administrative units like the Sylemships, Sirdarships, Lyngdohships, Wahadadarship and the 31 erstwhile British villages now called Sirdarships under Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council on existence of sacred groves, village forests, protected forests, Raid forests etc. with area thereof if available under their record, Mylliem Sylemship had already submitted such dates, copies of which is enclosed herewith. Information from other units are awaited.

Yours faithfully,
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Secretary, Executive Committee,
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	Ka Phin Jahnoh & Ors.	" Mawsngi"						
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. G.	U Belly Roy Bok Khyngir & Ors.	Dobolomia						
7.	Ka On A K a	Dobakrim						
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NONGKHLAW SYTEMSHIP

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1.	Ka Nobul Dohtdong	" Lum Umphang Mawmarein Umschlang
2	Pyniaid Dohtdong	Wahphliap
3.	U Brik Basan Shylla	Nongtraweiej
4.	Ka Sabina Dohtdong	\ Lawkanoh \

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Sl.No. Name of the owners :	Name of the Forests
1. Kn Labon Pator & Ors.	Mawphitang
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3. Ka Dhimpor Nonglang	Nongkh law
4. Ka Klari Wahlang	Phud Pyrnon
5. U Darious Lyngkhoi	Hawner
6. Ka Suki Nonglang	Randait
7. Ka Reslin Khardiengngan	Mawtorang
a. Kn Jin Khardiengngan	Mawterang Shynromg

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LANGRIN SYTEMSHIP

\$1.No.	Name of the owners	Name of the Forest
1.	U Rabon & Ka Liar Sylemiong	"Syngkoh Jillianet"
2.	U Stanly Lyngdoh Imiong	Lawmait Tynrong
3.	Ka Namnoris Lyngdoh	Hawthabah
. 4.	Ka Phan Hahshah	"Langamtila
. 5.	U Hyni Sordar & Ka Bon Wahlang	Phudthynr in
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MAHARAM SYLEMSHIP & BHOWAL SYLEMSHIE

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1.	S.D. Snaitang	Name of the Forest
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5.	Ka Plineimai Lyngkhoi	Mynsain Khlawkseh
3.	U Maharai Myntri & Others	Jashiar
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MAHARAM SYLEMSHIP.

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KHYRIM SYTEMSHIP

1. U Mian Singh Nongrum

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KITTELH SYLFMSHIP

- 1. JA-IR VILLAGE FOREST
- 2. LUMSHARNI VILLAGE FOREST
- 3. UMKRAT VILLAGE FOREST
- 4. LUMPDENG NONGRIM VILLAGE FOREST
- 5. IAPNGAR VILLAGE FOREST
- G. INGSAW VILLAGE FOREST
- 7. RAIN NONGTUNG VILLAGE FOREST
- A. OHINGAM VILLAGE FOREST
- 9. THATANG VILLAGE FOREST

- IN KOPH KYNJOIN VILLAGE FOREST
- 11. KSEH PONGDENG VILLAGE FOREST
- 12, KDOH HALLO VILLAGE FOREST IN RAIN NONGTHEM
- 13. RYNGNGI MYNNAT VILLAGE FOREST
- 14. HANGMALAT VILLAGE FOREST
- 15. UHLAPER NONGTUNG VILLAGE FOREST

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MONGPOH SIRDARSHIP

- 1. LUMMAWTAMUR PALAHRYNGDENG VILLAGE FOREST
- 2. NARTEP VILLAGE FOREST
- 3. MAWKYRDEM VILLAGE FOREST
- 4. SOUNAM AND LUM SHYRDENG VILLAGE FOREST
- 5. SOHNAM AND LUM SHYRDENG VILLAGE FOREST
- G. SCHLAIT THYMMAI VILLAGE FOREST
- 7. LUM THISONG VILLAGE FOREST
- 1. RANAB LUM MAWPHLANG VILLAGE FOREST
- 9. KREM DYNGKHIED VILLAGE FOREST
- 10. LUM MAWTHOH VILLAGE FOREST
- 11. ROUGHASING VILLAGE FOREST.

LIST OF VILLAGE FOREST UNDER THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF KHASI
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MAMSYNRAM SYTEMSHIP

- 1. HAWLYHORHA UMETT VILLAGE FORESE.
- HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL

MYRDON SIRDARSHIP

- 1. LUH MAWROH VILLAGE FOREST
- 2. LUM HAWDOH VILLAGE FOREST
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MAWIANG SYTEMSHIP

- 1. LAW DILOIN VILLAGE FOREST.
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JIRANG SYIEMSHIP

- 1. HONGRIH JIRANG VILLAGE FOREST
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RAMBRAI SYJEMSHIP

- 1. LAW PHIBOT VILLAGE FOREST.
- 11. AREAS WHICH WERE EARLIER FORESTS BUT STAND DEGRADED DENUDED OR CLEARED.

Unlike other States in the country. Meghalaya is a State where the land tenure system is unwritten and almost all land are under the control of the individuals, the villages, the clans, communities and institutions. As such, Meghalaya as a whole is a

non-codestral State. Therefore, to obtain correct assessment of areas which were earlier forests but stand degraded, denuded brackoned is practically impossible. Moreover, Jaum cultivation is a practice which is being carried out on a cyclic basic.

The only authentic report for the extent of great affected by them cultivation in the State of Maghalaya is the report. As per the above report the area available for shifting cultivation in the State of Meghalaya is to the extent of 416,000 hn/4160 Sq.km. The other report available on the basis of serial estimation of waste land as reported by the Waste Land hove lopment. Board the total area under them or Forest blank in the State of Heghalaya is projected at 455.320 Sq.km. Therefore, it can be sayely estimated that the extent of areas under category 'B' above is to the tune of 4000 Sq.km approximately.

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F. Plantation areas covered under Social Forestry Scheme.

Social Forestry Scheme, plantation is taken up in all land. available under the control private individuads. the village. Lha Clame. Communities Institutions, prior to taking up plantation in any piece of agreement (duly approved by Government) is exacuted with party concerned. (Specimen copy of agreement enclosed)

Such plantations are under the control of the Forest Department for a period of 10 (ten) years, thereafter, they are to be handed over to the concerned land owners alongwith a prescirbed management plan. The extent of area of plantations under Social Forestry Scheme is given at table H (next page).

G. Plantation taken up by different organisation Given at table H (next page).

H. LREAS LIDER PLANTATION

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The extent of area and the location of each of the plantation belonging to the above organisations are available with the Namber-Socretary of expert Committee.

AGREEMENT

Witnesseth that whereas the Second Party has agreed to hand over a plot of land called Nil as described more fully in the Schedule below (hereinafter called the land) and the First Party has agreed to take the land for the purpose of afforestation it is hereby agreed as follows:

- 1. That the First Party shall afforest the area and look after the plantation for ten years.
- 2. That the Second Party shall not interfere with the working of the First Party in the said land during the said period of ten years.
- That the land with the plantation thereon shall be handed over to the Second Party on expiry of the period as mentioned above on a mutually agreed date and manner.

4. That the First Party shall prepare a working scheme for the area covered by this agreement in consultation with the Second Party and the Second Party shall be bound to abide by the prescription of the working scheme so prepared.

- 5. That the Second Party shall not fell any tree within the land without consulting the First Party. Felling will be allowed by the First Party only, Scheme to be prepared by them.
- 6. Royalty at the rate prevailing at the time of harvest shall be leviable upon any forest produce, removed from the area for commercial or trade purposes, irrespective of whether they are sold within or outside the State. The royalty shall be apportioned between the Governor of Meghalaya and the District Council concerned in the ratio of 50:50.
- 7. That on the event of the produce being offered for sale, the first party shall have the first right to purchase the same at the market rate prevailing at the time.
- 8. That the first party reserves the right to salvage the barbed wire or any re-useable fencing materials, when such materials are no longer considered necessary for the plantation.
- 9. That the timber when considered matured and suitable for any particular use may be utilised by the second party for home consumption free of royalty, subject to clause 5 above.

10. That the second party shall assist the first party. In fire protection in the forest so planted, and in other surrounding forest areas.

- 11. That the first party shall be at liberty to engage staff on the land and take such action as may be considered necessary with regard to the raising and maintenance of the plantation.
- 12. That the second party shall refrain from grazing any cattle in the land till the crop is not liable to any damage due to browsing.
- 13. That the decision of the Chief Conservator Forests of Meghalaya on the condition of the plantation and threes and in other matter connected with the affforestation programme shall be final and binding on both the parties.
- 14. That the second party shall have the right of cultivation in the portion of the areas not put under the forest plantation for the time being.
- 15. That after the land is handed over back to second party as stipulated in clause 8 the second party shall be responsible for the subsequent maintenance and proper care of the trees plantation.
- 16. That the first party shall not claim any reimbursement of the expenditure they incurred in raising the plantation and maintaining the came for the period mentioned in clause 1 above.
- 17. That the first party shall have the right of doing the resintapping of Pine Trees in the area on payment of a fee to the second party, the amount of which shall decide mutually according to the economy of the operation.

That the first party shall have the first party to purchase the timber from second party for the purpose of feeding the industries in the State at the market rate. 19. That under the terms and conditions heretofore stated the second party hereby hand over the plot of lands describe above the first party and the first party accept and take over of the same on this Forest Officer ...Nil...........Division and the First Party and Shri Nil....., for or on behalf of the Second Party have set their hands and seals the date first above mentioned in the presence of the following witness. 1. Sd/-Sd/~ 3. Sd/-4. Sd/-5. Sd/-6. Sd/-Divisional Forest Officer, Jaintia/West/East/Garo/Khasi Hills Social Forestry Division, Weghalaya (FIRST PARTY) Schedule Shri ...Nil.... Location of Plot (SECOND PARTY) Area Boundaries: North.: East.:

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, KHASI HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL, SHILLONG.

No.DC.XIV(A)307/97/2/34. Deted Smillong, the 28 April, 1997.

The Conservator of Forests, Social Edgestry & Environme Meghalays, Smillong. Environment,

Subject:-

Additional information required with patition (Civil) 102 07

Your letter No. MFS/4/1/160 Dt. 25.4.97.

With reference to letter cited above, I am directed to inform that no fuel wood and timber to made available to rural tribal people from District Council owned forests viz, forest plantations on lands acquired by the District Council for the purpose. Therefore, furnishing of information with regards to terms and conditions on making awailable of fuel wood and timber to rural tribel people from District Council's Forest does not arise.

For your kind information, fuel wood and timber are being extracted by rural tribal people from their pun private lands and, further, where willinges have their own village forests, fuel wood requirements of that perticular village in this direction of the concerned

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ANNEXURE-'VI'

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA

SCHEDULE OF RATES AF
ROYALTY ON FOREST PRODUCE

EFFECTIVE FROM 01ST MARCH, 1994

DEPARTMENT OF FOREST & ENVIRONMENT MEGHALAYA



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SCHEDULE OF RATES OF ROYALTY ON FOREST PRODUCE

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MEGHALAYA

The 4th Christy 1994

Ne.FOR.58, 90-54. The Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to declare the following Schedule of rates of royalty leviable on all types of Forest produce removed from any Reserved Forests within the State of Meghalaya mentioned in this Notification.

SCHEDULE

Based on the end use tries are classified into the following classes:-

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SPECIAL CLASS (Spacial Industrial use timber)

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(Durable Sleeper and constructional wood)

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RATES OF ROYALTY OF LOGS PER CUBIC METER MIDGIRTH

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(a) Carpinus	2580	2500	. "1"	rate for
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3. The rates specified above me for logs of which girth are measured under bark. For logs measured over bark the rates chargeable will be 10 per cent less than the rates shown above. For dressed logs, rate chargeable will be 20 per cent over the rates shown above.

4. Rates for sawn timber shall be double the rate mentioned under girth 160 cm. and above irrespective of the girth of the logs from which the sawn timber has been converted.

. 5. Rates for Poles in Rupees

					Per piece not	exceeding	4m. length				
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6. The above rates are for mid-girth measurement taken over bark. For burked and dressed pole the rates will be 10 per cent and 33 per cent respectively higher than the rates mentioned. Length will be measured to nearest 5cm for assessment of royalty. For longer poles up to lower girth class—length exceeding 4m will be calculated as additional pieces or pieces as the ease may be.

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Rates for Firewood	Ri.	Rs.
(a) For removal by head load on monthly permit Rates per month actual consumer. (b) For removal by head load on years, permit	9.00	15.00
(c) For removal by buffulo cart per cartile	15.00	28.00
(d) For removal by bullock or pony cart per cart load	10,00	15.60
(e) For removal by truck on the basis of truck capacity per ton	25.00 .	50,00
(f) For removal otherwise per suck of one cubic metre	10.00	30.00

NOTE -Firewood is defined as wood under one metre in length and upto 0.60 metre in girth ansuitable wood of higher dimensions, if found, owing to hollowness, crockednes other defects, unfit for sawing into scanling and planks may be removed as fire-wood after splitting.

7. Rates for charcoal, Rs.24.00 per quintal.

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(g) Paddle or Our of over 1.50 metres in length	•••	Re.0.75 cach.

(h) Ish (a part of plough) of all species upto 2.75 species in length Re. 1.00 c.ich.

(i) Gail (a round wooden vessel for husking paddy) of all species upto 1 metre in girth and below 0 60 metre in length. Re.0.75 each. Re.0.50 cach.

(j) Gail of all species of aver I meter in glath and 9:50 meter and above in length Rs. 0:73 each.

(k) Kund (small dug out for watering paddy field etc.) of all soccies upto 3 ... Rs.3.00 cucli-

(i) Kund of all species above 3 metres in length

Rs.5.00 each.

9. Rates of Minor Forest Produce;

Bamboos-

(a) Bambusu vulgaris, bariala					Rs.	
(b) Bambusa tulda, jau, mairtenga	•••	•••	***	••	75.00 per	hundred
(c) Bambusa pallida, makal	100	***	•••	•••	75,00	
(d) Bambusa bulcom, bhaluga Barga	***	+ + +	•••		30.00	,,
· ·	***	•••	•••	***	75.00	**
(e) Dendrocalamus, bamiltonii, kako, pecha	334 F	•••		•46	10.00	. **
(f) Pseudostachium polymorphum, bajal	***	•••		/		X 2
(g) Teinostachyum dullo, dulu ,	***		4,00	* ***	9.00	₩-a
(h) Melocanna bambusoides, muli, tarai	•••	•	***	***	42,00	49
(i) Other bumboos 5cm, and above in diametre	•••	•••	. ***	***	7,60	
(j) Other bamboos 2.5cm, above and below 5cm,		***	***	• • •	10.00	
(k) Other bambooe less than 2.5cm, in diametre	सा वाद्या	icti o	4.0/9	***	5,00	· *,, · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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The above rates are per hundred of whole bamboos in each case. Where diageter is mentioned, the diameter should be taken at the thickest end,

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(b) Calamus tennis; Jati, Juli		•			
(c) Calamus Flaglellum	•••	•••		•••	
(d) Calamus Latifolius; Houka Horn		•••	***		Rs.20.00 per 190 metres.
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(f) Calamus Leptospodix; Tita	•••	•••	•••)
(g) Calamus floribundus; Leaguri		•••	مېد.	•••	≻Rs. 10 00 per 100 metres.
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12. Ekra and other reeds-(In bundles)			A STATE OF THE STA		menter metre of each piece.
(a) Upto 0-15 metro in girth	•••	***	***	***	Rs. 7-00 per 100 bundles.
(b) Over 0.15 metre to 0.30 in girth		***	***	•••	Rs. 17-60
(c) Over 0.30 to 0.45 metre in girth	•••	*1*	***	•••	Rs. 37.00
Minor Minerals-					"
13. Sand					
14. Gravel, broken stone, shingle, boul	(3 m m	****	. ***		Rs. 20:00 per aubic meter.
15. Squared stone		*17	***	***	Rs, 40-00
16 Clay and Farth	•••	***	•••	***	Rs. 48:00
Note: No Monopoly fee shall be levia	ble	-1-	•••	•••	Res. 16:00
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(r) Toko ,	***	***	•••	•••	Bs. 2:00 per 1,000 leaves.
(b) Jeng and other leaves	•••	4**	;	•••	Re. 1-00
18. Broom sticks in bundles	···· ,	***	•••	•••	Rs. 1-50 per ke
19. Dhupwood (Heart wood/Root portion	of l	' Kesiye)	1	•••	Green (not air dry). Rs. 250-00 per Ton

20 (a) All other minor Forest Produce not listed above such as bees-wax, honey, ivory, agar, chalmugra Lac, Toron wood, etc., will be charged at 121 per cent "adalorem" as fixed by the Prencipal Chief Conservator of Forests, Meghalaya, for all forest including land at the disposal of Government.

(b) "Advalorem" rates will be issued on 1st April each year from the office of the Forest Utilis...tion Officer, Meghataya with prior approval of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Meghalaya.

21. Meghalaya Sales Tax/MPT at rates prevalent will be leviable on payment of royalty for any kind of Forest produce operated under permit only.

22. The Forest produce from Reserved Forests are sold as Coupes and Mahals by competitive tender or auction and the best offer obtained in such sales will be deemed to be the reasonable value of such produce.

The royalty rates fixed by this notification which are based on the prevailing market prices vis-a-size the rates obtained in the recent sale of coupes, etc., are for the propose of assessing valuation of coupes, etc., offered for sale.

Under special circumstances when forest produce is disposed of under permit system under orders of competent authority, royalty will be charged at rates mentioned above.

H. CHINKHENTHANG, Commissioner & Secretary to the Gove. of Meghalitys, Forest & Envisonment Deptt.

ANNEXURE-'A'

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA FORESTS & ENVORONMENT DEPARTMENT ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR

NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong, the 8th January, 1997.

NO.FOR.114/96/Pt/47 - Whereas the Hon'ble Supreme Court at para 5 of its Interim Order in Court Petition (Civil) No.202 of 1995 with Writ Petition (Civil) No.172 of 1996 dated 12.12.1996 has directed that each State Government should constitute within one month as expert Committee to :-

- (1). Identify areas which are 'forests' irrespective of whether they are so notified, recognised of classified under any law, and irrespective of the ownership of the land of such forest.
- (ii). Identify area which were earlier forests but stand degraded, denuded or cleared; and
- (iii). Identify areas covered by plantation trees belonging to the Government and those belonging to private persons.

Now, therefore, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to constitute with immediate effect an expert Committee to undertake the above tasks. The Expert Committee shall comprise of the following :-

(1). Principal Chief Conservator of Chairman Forests.

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ļ	(2).	Shri T. T. Marak, Conservator of Forests, Wildlife, Garo Hills Division.	•	Member
	(3).	Expert Representative Khasi Hills District Council.	-	Member
	(4).	Expert Representative Jaintia Hills District Council.	-	Member
	(5).	Expert Representative Garo Hills District Council.	. -	Member.
	(6).	Director of Land Records Meghalaya, Shillong.	•	Member
	(7).	Director of Agriculture Meghalaya, Shillong.	-	Member
	(8).	Director of Soil Conservation Meghalaya, Shillong.	-	Member
	(9).	Director of Industries Meghalaya, Shillong.	-	Member
	(10). Director of Mineral Resource Meghalaya, Shillong.	•	Member
	(11	 Director of Rural Development Meghalaya, Shillong. 	•	Member
	(12). Shri C. Bidnah, IFS Conservator of Forests (SF) Khasi Jaintia Hills Division.	-	Member- Secretary.

The Committee, if it considers it necessary may Coopts any other person who is having expertise in or is conversant with the subject matter. The Committee is requested to report within one month of being constituted.

Sd/- J. M. Mauskar Commissioner Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Forests Environment Department. Memo No. FOR.114/96/Pt/41-Adated Shillong, the 8th January, 1997.

Copy forwarded to:

- .. Private Secretary to Chief Minister for the information of the Chie Minister.
- 2. Private Secretary to Minister (Forests) for the information of the Minister.
- 3. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary
- 4. All Members.

5. Director, Printing Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong for publication in the Meghalaya Gazette.

By order etc.,

Sd/Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Forests & Environment Department.

MEGHALAYA, SHILLONG.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTATE COMMITTEE 507

KHASI HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL, 28-4-95

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No. DC. R8F/XXIII/28/97/14/38 Dated Shillong, the 28 April 1997.

The Director of Mineral Hesources, Meghalaya, Shillong.

Subject:- Interim direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide Interim Order dt. 12. 12. 96 in Writ Petition (Civil) No. 202/95 with writ Petition (Civil) No. 171/96.

Reference: - Your letter No. UM R/MM/321/2763 dt. 10. 2. 97.

Sir.

I am to directed to inform, with regards to your quarries in letter under reference, that the areas mentioned below covered by mining leases or prospecting licenses for lime stone mining/quarrying do not fall on forest lands:-

S1.		Lo	cation.	Name of Elaka.	Area.
.1.	M/s Maumluh Cherra Cements Ltd.	(i)	Mawmluh, East Khasi Hills.	Mawmluh Sirdarship.	139.67 Ha
		(ii)	Cherrapunje East Khasi hills.	ee, Sohra, Syiemship.	143.59 Ha
2.	M/s Komorrah Lima- stone Mining Co.		Komorrah, East Khasi	(i) Sohra () Sylamahip (240.55 Ha
			Hills.	(ii) Sohbar (iii) Sirdarship (iii)	240,00 112
3.	M/s Lummawshun Mining Corporation (Prospecting).		Nongtrai, East Khasi Hilla.	Shella Wahadadar- ship.	1.76 Ha.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary, Executive Committee,
Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council,
Shillong.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA
CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

Supreme Case 1906

WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) NO.202 OF 1995

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T.N.Godavarman Thirumulkpad

Petitioner

Versus

Union of India & Ors.

Respondents

(With W.P.(Civil)No.171/96)

ORDER

In view of the great significance of the points involved in these matters, relating to the protection and conservation of the forests throughout the country, it was considered necessary that the Central Government as well as the Governments of all the States are heard. Accordingly, notice was issued to all of them. We have heard the learned Attorney General for the Union of India, learned counsel appearing for the States and the parties/applicants and, in

addition, the learned Amicus Curiae, shri H.N.Salve, assisted by Sarvashri U. U. Lalit, Mahender Das and P.K.Manohar. After hearing all the learned counsel, who have rendered very able assistance to the court, we have formed the opinion that the matters require a further indepth hearing to examine all the aspects relating to the National Forest Policy. For this purpose, several points which emerged during the course of the hearing require further study by the learned counsel and, therefore, we defer the continuation of this hearing for some time to enable the learned counsel to further study these points.

However, we are of the opinion that certain interim directions are necessary at this stage in respect of some aspects. We have heard the learned Altorney General and the other learned counsel on these aspects.

ception in certain quarters about the true, scope of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 (for short the 'Act') and the meaning of the word "forest" used therein. There is also a resulting misconception about the need of prior approval of the Central Sovernment. as required by Section 2 of the Act, in respect of certain activities in the forest area which are

The Forest Conservation Act, 1980 was enacted with view to check further deforestation which ultimately results in ecological imbalance; and therefore, the provisions made therein for the conservation of forests and for matters connected therewith, must apply to all forests irrespective of the nature of ownership or classification thereof. The word "forest: must be understood according to its dictionary meaning. This description covers all statutorily recognised forests, whether designated as reserved, protected otherwise for the purpose of Section 2(i) of the Farest Conservation Act: The term "forest land", occurring Section 2, will not only include "forest" as understood the dictionary sense, but also any area recorded as forest in the Government record irrespective of the ownership. This is how it has to be understood for the purpose of Section 2 of the . Act. The provisions enacted in the Forest Conservation 1980 for the conservation of forests and the connected themewith must apply clearly to all forests 1 understood irrespective of the ownership or classification This aspect has been made abundantly clear in the of this court in Ambica Quarry Works and ors.

versus State of Gujarat and ors. (1987 (1) SCC 213), Rural Litigation and Entitlement Kendra versus State of U.P. (1989 Suppl. (1) SCC 504), and recently in the order dated 2915 November, 1993 in U.P.(C) No.749/95 (Supreme Court Monitoring Committee vs. Mussorie Debradun Development Authority and ors.). The earlier decision of this court in State of Bihar Vs. BanshiRam Modi and ors. (1985 (3) SCC 643) has, therefore, to be understood in the light of these subsequent decisions. We consider it necessary to reiterate this settled position emerging from the decisions of this court to dispel the doubt, if any, in the perception of any State Government or authority. This has become necessary also because of the stand taken on behalf of the State of Rajasthan, ever at this late stage, relating to permissions granted for mining in such area which is clearly contrary to the decisions of this court. It is reasonable to assume that any State Government which has failed to appreciate the & correct position in law so far, will forthwith correct its stance and take the necessary remedial measures without any further delay.

We further direct as under :-

General:

- 1. In view of the meaning of the word "forest in the Act, it is obvious that prior approval of the Central Government is required for any non-forest activity within the area of any "forest". In accordance with Section 2 of the Apt, all on-going activity within any forest in any State throughout the country, without the prior approval of the Central Government, must cease forthwith. It is, therefore, clear that the running of saw mills of any kind including veneer or ply-wood and mining of any mineral are non-forest purposes and are, therefore, not permissible without prior approval of the Central Government. Accordingly, any such activity is prima facie violation of provisions of the Forest Conservation Act, 1980. Every State Government must promptly ensure total cessation of all such activities forthwith.
- 2. In addition to the above, in the tropical wet

felling of any kind of trees therein because of particular significance to maintain ecological balance, needed to preserve bio-diversity. All saw mills veneer mills and ply-wood mills in Tirap and Changlan, in Arunachal Pradesh and within a distance of 100 kms from its border, in Assam, should also be closed in mediately. The State Governments of Arunachal Pradesh

and Assam must ensure compliance of this direction.

The felling of trees in all forests is to remain suspended except in actordance with the Working, Plans of the State Governments, as approved by the Central Government. In the absence of any Working Plan in any particular State, such as Arunachal Pradesh, where the permit system exists, the felling under the permits can be done only by the Forest Department of the State Government or the State Forest Corporation.

4. There shall be a complete ban on the movement of cut trees and timber from any of the seven North-East-ern States to any other State of the country either by rail, road or water-ways. The Indian Railways and the State Governments are directed to take all measures necessary to ensure strict compliance of this direc-

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tion. This ban will not apply to the movement of certified timber required for defence or other Government purposes. This ban will also not affect felling in any private plantation comprising of trees planted in any area which is not a forest.

5. Each State Government should constitute within one month an Expert Committee to:

irrespective of whether they are so notified, recognised or classified under any law, and irrespective of the ownership of the land of such forest;

ests but stand degraded, denuded or cleared; and

identify areas which were earlier

trees belonging to the Government and those belonging to private persons.

Each State Government should within two months,

file a report regarding :-.

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- the number of saw mills, veneer and plywood mills actually operating within the State
 - with particulars of their real ownership;
 - (ii) the licensed and actual capacity of these mills for stock and sawing;
 - (iii) their proximity to the nearest forest;
 - (iv) their source of timber.
- 7. Each State Government should constitute within one month, an Expert Committee to assess:
 - (i) the sustainable capacity of the forests of the State qua saw mills and timber based industry:
 - (ii) the number of existing saw miles which can safely be sustained in the State;
 - (iii) the optimum distance from the forest, qua that State, at which the saw mill should be lowsted.

- 7. The Expert Committees so constituted should be requested to give its report within one month of being constituted.
- Each State Government would constitute a Committee comprising of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and another Senior Officer to oversee the compliance of this order and file status reports.

II. FOR THE STATE OF JAMMU & KASHMIR:

- There will be no felling of trees permitted in any "forest", public or private. This ban will not affect felling in any private plantations comprising of trees planted; by private persons or the Social Forestry Department of the State of Jammu & Kashmir and in such plantations, felling will be strickly in accordance with law.
- 2. In 'forests', the State Government may either departmentally or through the State Forest Corporation remove fallen trees or fell and remove diseased or dry standing timber, and that only from areas other than those notified under the Jammu & Kashmir Wild Life

Protection Act, 1978 or any other law banny felling or removal of trees.

stitute an Expert Committee comprising of a representative being an IFS Officer posted in the State of Jommy

& Kashmir, a representative of the State Government
and two private experts of eminence and the Managing

Director of the State Forest Corporation (as Membern

Secretary) who will fix the qualitative and quantity

tive norms for the felling of fallen trees, diseased
and dry standing trees. The State shall ensure that
the trees so felled and removed by it are strictly accordance with these norms

4. Any felling of trees in forest or otherwise or any clearance of land for execution of projects, shall be in strict compliance with the Jammu & Kashmir Forest. Conservation Act, 1990 and any other laws applying thereto. Forever, any trees so felled, and the disposal of such trees shall be done exclusively by the State Forest Corporation and no private agency will be permitted to deal with this aspect. This direction will also cover the retmerged areas of the THGIN Dam.

- 5. All timber obtained, as aforesaid or otherwise, shail be utilised within the State, preferably to Meet the timber and fuel wood requirements of total people, the Government and other local institutions.
- otherwise) from the State shall, for the present, stand suspended, except for the use of DGS & D, Railways and Defence. Any such movement for such use will
 - ment-wise made by the Managing Director of the State Corporation which will include certification that the timber has come from State Forest Corporation sources; and
 - b) be undertaken by either the Corporation itself, the Jammu & Kashmir Forest Department or the receiving agency.
- 7. The State of Jammu & Kashmir will file, preferably within one month from today, a detailed affidavit specifying the quantity of timber held by private persons purchased from State Forest Corporation Depots

for transport outside the State (other than consumption by the DGS & D, Railways and Defence)
Further directions in this regard may be considered after the affidavit is filed.

Permitted to operate in this State at a distance of less than 8 Kms. from the boundary of any demarcated forest areas. Any existing mill falling in this belt should be relocated forthwith.

OF THE STATE OF HIMACHAL PRADESH AND THE HILL REGIONS

OF THE STATES OF UTTAR PRADESH AND WEST BENGAL:

1. There will be no felling of trees permitted in any forest, public or private. This ban will not affect felling in any private plantation comprising of trees planted in any area which is not a 'forest'; and which has not been converted from an earlier "forest". This ban will not apply to permits granted to the right holders for their bonafide personal use in Himachal Pradesh.

- 2. In a 'forest', the State Government may wither departmentally or through the State Forest Corporation remove fallen trees or fell and remove diseased or dry standing timber from areas other than those notified under Section 18 or Section 35 of the Wild Life Protection Act, 1972 or any other Act banning such felling or removal of trees.
- 3. For this purpose, the State Government is to constitute an expart Committee comprising a representative from MCFF, a representative of the State Government, two private experts of eminence and the MD of the State Forest Corporation (as Member Secretary), who will fix the qualifative and quantitative norms for the felling, of fallen trees and diseased and standing timber. The State shall ensure that the trees so felled and removed are in accordance with these norms.
- 4. Felling of trees in any forest or any clearance of forest land in execution of projects shall be in strict conformity with the Forest Conservation Act, 1980 and any other laws applying thereto. Moreover, any trees so felled, and the disposal of such trees shall be done exclusively by the State Forest Corporation and no private agency is to be involved in any aspect thereof.

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- in all 'forest areas'. This will however not apply
 - (a) trees which have been planted and grown, and a not of spontaneous growth, and
- (b) are in areas which were not forests earlies but were cleared for any reason.
- 2. The State Government, within four weeks from today, in to condition a committee for identifying all. "forests".
- 3. These bribels who are part of the social forestry processes, is respect of paths lands, other than form ests, may continue to provided that according to the Government Schome provided that they grow and cut trees in a condagon with the law explicable.
- 4. In so far as the plentations (tea, coffee cardamom sec.) its conserred, it is directed as under:

- a) The felling of shade trees in these plantations will be
 - i) limited to trees which have been planted, and not those which have grown spontaneously;
 - ii) limited to the species identified in the TANTEA report:
 - iii) in accordance with the recommendations of (including to the extent recommended by)
 - iv) under the supervision of the statutory committee constituted by the State Government.
- plantations for fuel wood outside the forest area are concerned, the State Government is directed to obtain within four weeks, a report from TANTEA as was done in the case of Shade trees; and the further action for felling them will be as per that report. Meanwhile, eucalyptus and wattle trees in such area may be felled by them for

their own use as permitted by the statuting

- and identify—those areas of the plantation which are a "forest" and are not in active—use as a plantation. No folling of any trees is however to be permitted in these areas, and sub-paras (b) and (c) above will not apply to such areas.
- d) There will be no further expansion of the plantations in a manner so as to involve whereoch-ment upon (by way of clearing or otherwise) of "forests".
- interim orders of this court deted December 11, 1995 are concerned, the same may be permitted to be removed provided they were not to folled from Janmam land. The State Government would verify these trees and mark them suitably to ensure that this order is duly complied with. For the present, this is being permitted, as a one time measure.

- 6. Insofar as felling of any trees in Janmam lands is concerned (whether in plantations or otherwise), the ban on felling will operate subject to any order made in the Civil Appeal Nos. 367 to 375 of 1977 in C.A. Nos. 1344-45 of 1976. After the order is made in those Civil Appeals on the I.As. pending therein, if necessary, this aspect may be re-examined.
- 7. This order is to operate and to be implemented, notwithstanding any order at variance, made or which may be made by any Government or any authority, tribunal or court, including the High Court.

The earlier orders made in these matters shall be read, read, modified wherever necessary to this extent. This order is to continue, until further orders. This order will operate and be complied with by all concerned, notwithstanding any order at variance, made or which my be made hereafter, by any authority, including the Central or any State Government or any court (including High Court) or Tribunal.

we also direct that notwithstanding the closure of any saw mills or other wood-based industry pursuant to this order, the workers employed in such units will continue to be paid their full emoluments due and shall not be retremented or removed from service for this reason.

We are informed that the Railway authorities are still using wooden sleepers for laying tracks. The Ministry of Railways will file an affidavit giving full particulars in this regard including the extent of wood consumed by them, the source of supply of wood, and the steps taken by them to find alternatives to the use of wood.

I.A. Nos. 7,9,10,11,12,13 and 14 in Writ Petition in (Civil) No. 202 of 1995 and I.A.Nos. 3,4,5,6,7,8 & 10 Writ Petition (Civil) No. 171 of 1996 are disposed of, accordingly.

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List the matter on February 25, 1997 as part-heard for further hearing.

(J.S. Verma)

(B.N. Kirpal)

New Delhi;

December 12, 1996.

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE KHASI HILLS AUTONOMOUS DISTRICT COUNCIL SHILLONG. /

NO.DC.REF/XXII/(PF/566/98/Dated Shillong, the 24 Gan./2002.

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C/o Lum Maw	shun Mining	Corporation,	
Wesly House	, Laitumkhr	ah, Shillong.	,

Subject :-

No Objection Certificate.

Reference: - Your application dt. 08/02/2000

I am directed to inform you that the Executive Committee, Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council, Shillong is pleased to grant No Objection Certificate for the proposed extraction/operation of Shale Mining/Limestone/Stone quarry at your own plot in Shella, Muiong, Shella Confederacy as this area is not a forest land and under the following terms and conditions.

- That the area of operation be within the limits of yourplot as per schedule appended herewith.
- 2. That, as far as possible local Khasi labourers should be given employment and necessary training:
- 3. That the sentiments, the usual traditional customs, usages and practices prevoj. (1) within the Elaka be respected.
- 4. That discipline amongst the employees be maintained at all times.
- 5. That you should apply for renewal punctually on expiry;
- 6. This Certificate is valid for a period of ending March 2037
- 7. That you should approach the State Government for payment of royalties etc; and
- 8. That infringement of any or all of the above conditions, shall render this certificate to cancellation.

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hasi Hills Autonomous District Council,

Paillong.

NORTH . 2 P.W.D. Road and Nongtrai Elaka.

EAST : Road to village Pyrkan.

SOUTH : Footpaths at the Footbil from village Pyrkan to Phlankaruh.

WEST : Phlangkaruh River.

Whasi Hills Autonomous District Council, Shillong.

Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd.

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October 20, 2011

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (T), Forest and Environment Department Sylvan House, Lower Lachumiere, Shillong -793001, Meghalaya.

Subject:

Determination of area of (4.9 ha) of land at East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya for shale/ siltstone mining of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt Ltd. as forest or non forest land.

- On 30 August 2002, the Mining and Geology Department, Government of Meghalaya allocated mining lease for mining of Shale-Siltstone in 4.9 Hectare (Ha) of area situated at Shella Village, East Khasi Hills District in the State of Meghalaya to Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited (LMMPL) for a period of 30 years. The mining lease was subsequently transferred by LMMPL to Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited (LUMPL) on 15 January 2003. Copy each of Mining Lease dated 30.08.2002 and its subsequent transfer dated 15.01.2001 are enclosed as Enclosures A & B respectively.
- 2 LUMPL issued a Notice of Opening of the above said Shale-Siltstone mine of 4.9 Ha in Form C as per Rule 22 of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules (MCDR) 1988 on 26 September 2005. The area in the mine which has been opened is 1.035 ha and about 202300 MT of Shale/Siltstone has been extracted to date.
- A notice of temporary discontinuance of work in Mine for the Shale-Siltstone Mine under the Rule 24 (1) of MCDR 1988 was issued by LUMPL on 2 May 2009 on account of technical difficulties to work in rainy season and also due to constraints in system of crushing and transportation and supply of same to the Lafarge Surma Cement plant based at Chhatak, Bangladesh. The operations of the mines continue to remain suspended till date.
- 4. Please note that apart from the above stated 4.9 Ha Shale-Siltstone mine LUMPL has another mining lease for 100 Ha Limestone mine which is also situated close by in East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya. All the mined out materials from both these mines are meant to be exported to the cement plant of Lafarge Surma Cement Ltd. ("LSC") Bangladesh through a 17 kilometer long cross border belt conveyor. LSC is the parent company of LUMPL.
- 5. On 30 April 2007, the Chief Conservator of Forests (C), Ministry of Environment and Forest, North Eastern Regional Office, directed LUMPL to stop mining activities in the limestone mine as the mining area was considered to be deemed forest area. LUMPL stopped the mining activities in the limestone mine immediately on receipt of letter dated 30.04.2007. LUMPL filed an application before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for expeditious disposal of its application under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and seeking necessary directions for resumption of mining operation.

Head Office: Hotel Polo Tower, Polo Ground, Oakland Road, Shillong – 793 001, Meghalaya, India, Tel: (+91 3642) 501115, Fax: (+91 3642) 501116

Mines Office: Nongtrai – Shella, P. O. Shella, Bazar – 793 112, East Khasi Hills, Meghalaya, India, Tel: (+91 3637) 261347 – 50

- 6. Accordingly, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India by its final order and judgment dated 06.July 2011 in the case of Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Ltd & Another Vs Union of India & Others, numbered as IA 1868 of 2007 in WP (C) No. 202 of 1995, has allowed the IA filed by LUMPL and the Hon'ble Court upheld the Environmental Clearance granted to LUMPL by Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) on 09 August 2001 read with modified Environmental Clearance dated 19 April 2010, and Stage-I Forest Clearance dated 22 April 2010. Copy of the order dated 06.07.2011 is enclosed as **Enclosure C**
- 7. It is to be noted that the Shale/ siltstone mining lease area of 4.9 Ha was not considered to be a part of forestland. However, we note that Part II of the order and judgment dated 06 July 2011 has laid down certain guidelines which are to be followed in future cases, which might have a bearing and implication on the 4.9 Ha Shale Siltstone mining area of LUMPL.
- 8. In the light of the specific directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court under Part-II of the order dated 06.07.2011 you are requested to please determine as to whether the area of 4.9 Ha of shale/ siltstone mining of LUMPL in East Khasi Hills District is a forest land or not. A copy of the Location map of the Shale-Siltstone mine site is enclosed as **Enclosure D**.

Thanking you

For Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited

arayan Sharma

Vice President and Director.



Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd.

A company of Date: 30 March 2017

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To, The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Department of Forest and Environment, Sylvan House, Lower Lachumiere, Shillong -793001, Meghalaya

Subject:

Determination of area of (13 hectare) of land at East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya for Shale/ Siltstone mining of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited as forest or non forest land for the purpose of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980.

- 1. Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited (LUMPL) has acquired about 13 hectare (ha) of land located at Mawiong, Shella, East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya for Shale/ Siltstone mining operations.
- 2. The Government of Meghalaya on November 18, 2002 accorded permission for transfer of 13 ha land from individual land owners to Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited (LMMPL). The permission was subsequently transferred from LMMPL to LUMPL on September 17, 2004. Copies of the approvals are enclosed as **Enclosure A** & B respectively.
- 3. Out of the about 13 ha of land, the Government of Meghalaya granted mining lease for mining of Shale/ Siltstone in 4.9 ha to LUMPL on January 15, 2003. The mining lease was original granted to LMMPL for a period of 30 years and was subsequently transferred by LMMPL to LUMPL on January 15, 2003.
- 4. In light of the specific directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court under Part-II of the order dated 06.07.2011, LUMPL filed an application on October 20, 2011 to your good office requesting determination as to whether the area of 4.9 ha of Shale/ Siltstone mining lease of LUMPL in East Khasi Hills District is a forest land or not. A copy of the application is enclosed as **Enclosure C.** However, till date the process of determination has not commenced.
- 5. We therefore, request your good office to kindly determine as to whether whole or part of aforementioned area of about 13 ha of land located at Village Shella, East Khasi Hills District is a forest land or not for the purpose of the Forest (Conservation) Act 1980. A hard copy of the geo- referenced map of the said land is enclosed as **Enclosure D.**

Thanking you,
For Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited

Narayan Sharma
Operations Director

Enclosed: As stated above

Copy to:

(i) Divisional Forest Office (T) DIVISION Shillong.

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA REVENUE DEPARTMENT

NO.RDS.25/99/PT/49, Dated Shillong, the 18th November, 2002.

from :

Shri f.A.Hynnieuta

Under Secretary to the Covt. of Meghalaya, Revenue Department

To

The Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District,

Shillong.

Sub

Permission for transfer of land to Lum Maushun Minerals Private Limited

Sir,

I am directed to say that on consideration of the provisions of Section 4(1)(f) of the Maghalaya Transfer of Land (Regulation) Act, 1971, Government approve the proposal for transfer of an additional land measuring 13 hectarus located at Maviong Shells, East Khasi Hills District, for undertaking shale/siltstone mining operations, from the following Land Duners to the Lum Maushun Private Limited.

(1)	Shri	R.L.Roy Youthborn	-	4.980	hacateres	
(2)	Smti	Silmaya Swett	-	1.333		
(3)	Shri	Karel Marbaniang	-	0.818		
(4)	Shri	D.D.Ray	-	1.640	46	
(5)	Shri	Koress Malniang	-	1.453	親	
(6)	Shri	O.Reenbern and P.Reenbern	-	2.199	*	

TOTAL 12.423 1

Yours faithfully

Under Secretary to the Govt.of Meghaleys, Revenue Department

Memo No.RDS. 25/99/PT/49-A, Dated Shilleng, the 18th November 2002 Copy for information and necessary action to :

1. The Director of Industries, Maghaleya, Shillong

2. The Sub-Registrer, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Shillong 3. Sub-Divisional Officer, Sohra (Civil) Sub-Division, Sohra.

4. Land Owners

5. Lum Maushun Pvt. Ltd., Hotel Pole Tever.Shilleng-I

By order etc.

Under Secretary to the Covt. of Meghaleya, Revenue Department

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA DEPARTMENT REVENUE

ND.RDS.25/99/Pt-I/177, Dated Shillong, the 17th September, 2004.

From

Shri F.R.Hynniewta Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya, Revenue Department.

To

The Director, M/S Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited, Hotel Pela Towers. Pela Graund, Shillang-I.

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Permission for -Transfer of Lands from Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited (LMMPL) to (Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited (LIMPL); and (11) Mertgage of the same lands in favour of Offshore Lenders

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter New il dated 5.2.200% on the above subject and to say that Government on consideration of the powers conferred under Clause (1)(f) of Section 4 of the Meghalaya Transfer of Land (Regulation) Act, 1971, as amended, approved the proposal for

> 1) Transfer of the following lande from Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited (LMMPL) to Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited (LUMPL)

- 100 (one hundred) hecteres at Nongtrai for limestone mining; 30 (thirty) hecteres at Nongtraie Shella for beitéconveyor; (i)
- (ii)
- (iii) 13 (thirteen) becteres at Shella for shale mining and
- 7.6 (seven point six) hectares at Nongtrai for crusher. (iv)

2) Mertgage of the above lands by Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited (LUMPL) for oreating security interest in favour of the Offshere Landers, namely, the Asian Development Bank, The International Finance Corporation, The Deutsche Investitionsund Ens twicklunggesellschaft; The European Investe ment Benk, The Arab Bangladesh Bank and the Standard Chartered Banks Bangladesh;

an the fellowing conditions :

- that the land so mortgaged shall in the event of nonepayment of the Loan and for recovery of the same under no cire cumstances be transferred to a person ether them e permanent tribel lecal resident of the State and/or to any erganisation without the prior approval of the State Government; and
- (ii) to comply with the conditions as imposed by the Bovernment of India/Reserve Bank of India

Yours faithfully.

Deputy Secretary to Me Covtof

Memo Ne.RDS.25/99/Pt-I/177-A, Dtd Shilleng, the 17th Sept.,2004 Copy for information and necessary action to :

- 🕯 The Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills District.
- 2. The Sub-Divisional Officer, Sohra Civil Sub-Division Sohra.
- 3. The Director of Industries, Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 4. Lafarge Umism Mining Private Limited, Polo Towers Hetel, Pelo Ground, Shillong 793001.
- 5. Cabinet Affairs Department with reference to Item No. 182/2004

By orders etc.,

Deputy Secretary to the Govt of Meghalaya, Revenue Department Shilling Phone No - 2594275

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> > FORM K Model Form of Mining Lease (See rule 31)

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2002 Angust between the Governor of Meghalaya (hereinafter referred to as the "State Government" which expression shall where the context so admits be deemed to include the successors and assigns) of the one part and M/s LUM MAWSHUN MINERALS PRIVATE LIMITED (Name of Company) a company registered under The Companies Act 1956 (Act under which incorporated) and having its registered office at Hotel Polo Towers, Oakland Road, Shillong with contact address at Traisiej, APHLC Road, Mawlai Nonglum, Shillong 793008 (Address) (hereinafter referred to as "the lessee" which expression shall where the context so admits be deemed to include its successors and permitted assigns), of the other part.

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WHEREAS THE lessee has applied to the State Government in accordance with the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 (hereinafter referred to as the said Rules) for a mining lease for <u>Shale/Siltstone</u> in respect of the lands described in Part I of the Schedule hereunder written and has/have deposited with the State Government the sum of <u>Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand) only</u> as security and the sum of <u>Rs. 1,000/- (Rupees one thousand) only</u> for meeting the preliminary expenses for a mining lease.

WITNESSETH that in consideration of the rents and royalties, covenants and agreements by and in these presents and the Schedule hereunder written reserved and contained and on the part of the lessee to be paid, observed and performed, the State Government hereby grants and demises unto the lessee.

All those mines beds/veins seams of Shale/Siltstone (here state the mineral or minerals) (hereinafter and in the Schedule referred to as the said minerals) situated lying and being in or under the lands which are referred to in Part I of the said Schedule, together with the liberties, powers and privileges to be exercised or enjoyed in connection herewith which are mentioned in Part II of the said Schedule subject to the restrictions and conditions as to the exercise and enjoyment of such liberties, powers and privileges which are mentioned in Part III of the said Schedule EXCEPT and reserving out of this demise unto the State Government the liberties, powers and privileges mentioned in Part IV of the said Schedule TO HOLD the premises hereby granted and demised unto the lessee from the 305 (mirtiets) day of Angust the term of 30 (thirty) years thence next ensuing YIELDING AND PAYING therefore unto the State Government the several rents and royalties mentioned in Part V of the said Schedule at the respective times therein specified subject to the provisions contained in Part VI of the said Schedule and the lessee hereby covenants/covenant with the State Government as in Part VII of the said Schedule is expressed and the State Government hereby covenants with the lessee as in Part VIII of the said Schedule as expressed AND it is hereby mutually agreed between the parties hereto as in Part IX of the said Schedule is expressed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents have been executed in manner hereunder appearing the day and year first above written.

The Schedule above referred to.

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PART-I

The Area of this Lease

Location and area of the lease:-

All that tract of lands situated at Shella (Description of area or areas) village in (Pargana) in the Registration District of East Khasi Hills, Sub-District Shillong Sadar Sub-Division and Thana Mawsynram, Police Station bearing Cadestral survey Nos (Not available) containing an area of 4.9 hectares or thereabouts delineated on the plan hereto annexed and thereon coloured Green and bounded as follows:-

Northwest corner point is situated in the direction of 135 degrees and at a distance of 279 metres from the 39 km stone of the border road (Balat – Shella).

On the North by a distance of 490 metres On the South by a distance of 490 metres On the East by a distance of 100 metres And On the West by a distance of 100 metres

hereinafter referred to as "the said lands" (Description of the boundaries and location map at Annexure – A).

PART-II

Liberties, powers and privileges to be exercised and enjoyed by the lessee subject to the restrictions and conditions in Part III.

To enter upon land and search for, win, work etc.:-

Liberty and power at all times during the term hereby demised to enter upon the said lands and to search for mine, bore, dig, drill for, win, work, dress, process, convert, carry away and dispose of the said mineral/minerals.

To sink, drive and make pits, shafts and inclines etc .: -

Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned 2. in this part to sink, drive, make, maintain and use in the said lands and pits shafts inclines, drifts, levels, waterways, airways and other works (and to use, maintain, deepen or extent any existing works of the like nature in the said lands).

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To bring and use machinery, equipment etc.: -

3. Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned in this part to erect, construct, maintain and use on or under the said lands any engines, machinery, plant, dressing floors, furnaces, coke ovens, brickkilns, workshops, store-houses, bungalows, godowns, sheds, and other buildings and other works and conveniences of the like nature on or under the said lands.

To make roads and ways etc. and use existing roads and ways: -

Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned in this part to make any tramways, railways, roads, aircraft landing grounds and other ways in or over the said lands and to use maintain and go, and repass with or without horses, cattle, wagons, aircrafts, locomotives, or other vehicles over the same (or any existing tramways roads and other ways in or over the said lands) on such conditions as may be agreed to.

To get building and road materials, etc.:-

Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned in this part to quarry and get stone gravel and other building and road materials and clay and to use and employ the same and to manufacture such clay into bricks or tiles and to use such bricks or tiles but to sell any such material bricks or tiles.

To use water from streams etc:-

6. Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purpose mentioned in this part but subject to the right of any existing or future lessees and with the written permission of Deputy Commissioner/Collector to appropriate and use water from any streams water-courses, springs or other sources in or upon the said lands and to divert step up or dam any such stream or water course and collect or impound any such water and to make construct and maintain any watercourse culverts, drains or reservoirs but not as so to deprive any cultivated lands, villages, buildings or watering places for livestock of a reasonable supply of water as before accustomed nor in any way to foul or pollute any stream or springs. Provided that the lessee shall not interfere with the navigation in any navigable stream nor shall divert such stream without the previous written permission of the State Government.

To use land for stacking, heaping, depositing purposes:-

Liberty and power to enter upon and use a sufficient part of the surface of 7. the said lands for the purpose of stacking, heaping, storing or depositing therein any produce of the mines or works carried on and any tools,

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equipment, earth and materials and substances dug or raised under the liberties and powers mentioned in this part.

Beneficiation and conveying away of production:-

8. Liberty and power to enter upon and use a sufficient part of the said lands to beneficiate any ore produced from the said lands and to carry away such beneficiated ore.

To clear brushwood and to fell and utilise trees, etc.:-

Liberty and power for or in connection with any of the purposes mentioned in this part and subject to the existing rights of others and save as provided in clause 3 of Part III of this Schedule to clear undergrowth and brushwood and to fell and utilise any trees or timber standing or found on the said lands provided that the State Government may ask the lessee to pay for any trees or timber felled and utilised, by him/them at the rates specified by the Deputy Commissioner/Collector or the State Government.

PART - III

Restrictions and Conditions as to the exercise of the Liberties, Powers and Privileges in Part-II.

No building etc. upon certain places:-

No building or thing shall be erected, set up or placed and no surface operations shall be carried on in or upon any public pleasure ground, burning or burial ground or place, held sacred by any class of persons or any house or village site, public road or other place which the State Government may determine as public ground nor in such a manner as to injure or prejudicially effect any buildings, works, property or rights of other persons and no land shall be used for surface operations which is already occupied by persons other than the State Government for works or purposes not included in this lease. The lessee shall not also interfere with any right of way, well or tank.

Permission for surface operations in a land not already in use:-

Before using for surface operations any land which has not already been 2. used for such operations, the lessee shall give to Deputy Commissioner/Collector of the District two calendar months previous notice in writing specifying the name or other description of the situation and the extent of the land proposed to be so used and the purpose for which the same is required and the said land shall not be so used if objection is

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issued by the Deputy Commissioner/Collector within two months after the receipt by him of such notice unless the objections so stated shall on reference to the State Government be annulled or waived.

To cut trees in unreserved lands: -

3. The lessee shall not without the express sanction of the Deputy Commissioner/Collector cut down or injure any timber or trees on the said lands but may without such sanction clear away any brushwood or undergrowth which interferes with any operations authorised by these presents. The Deputy Commissioner/Collector or the State Government may require the lessee to pay for any trees or timber felled and utilised by him/them at the rates specified by the Deputy Commissioner/Collector of the District.

To enter upon reserved forests:-

4. Notwithstanding anything in this Schedule contained the lessee shall not enter upon any reserved forest included in the said lands without previous sanction in writing of the District Forest Officer nor fell, cut and use any timber or trees without obtaining the sanction in writing of that Officer nor otherwise than in accordance with such conditions as the State Government may prescribe.

No mining operations within 50 metres of public works etc:-

5. The lessee shall not work or carry on or allow to be worked or carried on any mining operations at or to any point within a distance of 50 metres from any railway line except with the previous written permission of the Railway Administration concerned or under or beneath any ropeway or any ropeway trestle or station, except under and in accordance with the written permission of the authority owning the ropeway or from any reservoir, canal or other public works such as public roads and buildings or inhabited site except with the previous written permission of the Deputy Commissioner/Collector or any other officer authorised by the State Government in this behalf and otherwise than in accordance with such instructions, restrictions and conditions either general or special which may be attached to such permission. The said distance of 50 metres shall be measured in the case of railway, reservoir or canal horizontally from the outer toe of the bank or the outer edge of the cutting as the case may be and in case of a building horizontally from the plinth thereof. In the case of village roads no working shall be carried on within a distance of 10 metres of the outer edge of the cutting except with the previous permission of the Deputy Commissioner/Collector or any other officer duly authorised by the State Government in this behalf and otherwise than in accordance with such directions, restrictions and additions, either general or special, which may be attached to such permission.

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Facilities for adjoining Government licences and leases:-

6. The lessee shall allow existing and future holders of Government licences or leases over any land which is comprised in or adjoins or is reached by the land held by the lessee/lessees reasonable facilities of access thereto:

PROVIDED THAT no substantial hindrance or interference shall be caused by such holders of licences or leases to the operations of the lessee under these presents and fair compensation (as may be mutually agreed upon or in the event of disagreement as may be decided by the State Government) shall be made to the lessee for loss or damage sustained by the lessee by reason of the exercise of this liberty.

PART - IV

Liberties, Powers and Privileges reserved to the State Government

To work other minerals:-

Liberty and power for the State Government, or to any lessee or persons authorised by it in that behalf to enter into and upon the said lands and to search for, win, work, dig, get, raise, dress, process, convert and carry away minerals other than the said minerals and any other substances and for those purposes to sink, drive, make, erect, construct, maintain and use such pits, shafts, inclines, drifts, levels and other lines, waterways, airways, water courses, drains, reservoirs, engines, machinery, plant, buildings, canals, tramways, railways, roadways and other works and conveniences as may be deemed necessary or convenient.

To make railways and roads: -

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Liberty and power for the State Government or any lessee or person authorised by it in that behalf to enter into and upon the said lands and to make upon, over or through the same any railways, tramways, roadways or pipelines for any purpose other than those mentioned in Part II of these presents and to get, from the said land, stones, gravel, earth and other materials for making maintaining and repairing such railways, tramways and roads or any existing railways and roads and to and repass at all times

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with or without horses, cattle or other animals, carts, wagons, carriages, locomotives or other vehicles over or along any such railways, tramways, road lines and other wages for all purposes and as occasion may require, provided that in the exercise of such liberty and power by such other lessee or person no substantial hindrance or interference shall be caused to or with the liberties, powers and privileges of the lessee under these presents and that fair compensation as may be mutually agreed upon or in the event of disagreement as may be decided by the State Government shall be made to the lessee/lessees for all loss or damage substantial hindrance or interference shall be caused to or with the exercise by such lessee or person of such liberty and power.

PART - V

Rents and royalties reserved by this lease

To pay dead rent or royalty whichever is higher: -

1. The lessee shall pay, for every year except the first year of the lease, dead rent as specified in clause 2 of this Part:

Provided that, where the holder of such mining lease becomes liable under section 9 of the Act, to pay royalty for any mineral removed or consumed by him or by his agent, manager, employee, contractor or sub-lessee, from the leased area, he shall be liable to pay either such royalty or the dead rent in respect of that area, whichever is higher.

Rate and mode of payment of dead rent:-

2. Subject to the provisions of clause 1 of this Part, during the subsistence of the lease, the lessee shall pay to the State Government annual dead rent for the lands demised and described in Part I of this Schedule at the rate for the time being specified in the Third Schedule to the Act as revised from time to time, in such manner as may be specified in this behalf by the State Government vide memo No. DMR/R/13/5093 – 103 dated 05.03.1975, placed at Annexure - B.

Rate and mode of payment of royalty:-

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Subject to the provision of clause 1 of this part, the lessee shall during the subsistence of this lease pay to the State Government royalty in respect of the quantity of <u>Shale/Siltstone</u> removed by him/them from the leased area at the rate for the time being specified in the Second Schedule to the Mines and Minerals (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957 in such manner as specified in this behalf by the State Government vide *Office Memo No. DMR/R/13/5093-103 dated 05.03.75*.

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Payment of surface rent and water rate:-

4. The lessee shall pay rent and water rate to the State Government in respect of all parts of the surface of the said lands which shall from time to time be occupied or used by the lessee under the authority of these presents at the rate of Rs. 8.43 (Rupees eight and paise forty three) only and Rs. 3.43 (Rupees three and paise forty three) only respectively per annum per hectare of the area so occupied or used and so in proportion for any area less than a hectare during the period from the commencement of such occupation or used until the area shall cease to be so occupied or used and shall as far as possible restore the surface land so used to its original condition. Surface rent and water rate shall be paid as hereinbefore detailed in clause 2: PROVIDED THAT NO such rent/water rate shall be payable in respect of the occupation and use of the area comprised in any roads or ways to which the public have full right of access.

PART - VI

Provisions relating to the rents and royalties

Rent and royalties to be free from deduction etc.:-

1. The rent, water rate and royalties mentioned in Part V of this Schedule shall be paid free from any deduction to the State Government at Shillong Treasury and such manner as the State Government may prescribe.

PROVIDED ALWAYS and it is hereby agreed that Rs 10,000/- (Rupees ten thousand) only the balance standing to the credit of the lessee on account of the security deposit made by him/them shall be retained and accepted by the State Government in satisfaction of the rents and royalties mentioned in Part V until they reach that amount.

Mode of computation of royalty:-

For the purposes of computing the said royalties the lessee shall keep a 2. correct account of the quantity of Shale/Siltstone produced and despatched. The accounts as well as the weight of the Shale/Siltstone in stock or in the process of export may be checked by an officer authorised by the Central or Affair to be true out, State Government. Here specify the mode of arriving at sale price/prices at pits mouth of Shale/Siltstone.

Course of action if rents and royalties are not paid in time:-

Should any rent, royalty or other sums due to the State Government under 3. the terms and conditions of these presents be not paid by the lessee within

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the prescribed time the same, together with simple interest due thereon at the rate of twenty-four per cent per annum and as revised from time to time may be recovered on a certificate of such officer as may be specified by the State Government by general or special order, in the same manner as an arrear of land revenue.

PART - VII

The Covenants of the Lessee

Lessee to pay rents and royalties, taxes, etc.:-

1. The lessee shall pay the rent, water rate and royalties reserved by this lease at such times and in the manner provided in PARTS V and VI of these presents and shall also pay and discharge all taxes, rates, assessments and impositions whatsoever being in the nature of public demands which shall from time to time be charged, assessed or imposed by the authority of the Central and State Governments upon or in respect of the premises and works of the lessee in common with other premises and works of a like nature except demands for land revenues.

To maintain and keep boundary marks in good order:-

2. The lessee shall at his/their own expenses erect and at all times maintain and keep in repair boundary marks and pillars according to the demarcation to be shown in the plan annexed to this lease. Such marks and pillars shall be sufficiently clear of the shrubs and other obstructions as to allow easy identification.

To commence operations within two years and work in a workman-like manner:-

The lessee shall commence operation within two years from the date of execution of the lease and shall thereafter at all times during the continuance of his lease search for, win, work and develop, the said minerals without voluntary intermission in a skilful and workman-like manner and as prescribed under clause 12 hereinafter without doing or permitting to be done any unnecessary or avoidable damage to the surface of the said lands or the crops, buildings, structures or other property thereon. For the purposes of this clause operations shall include the erection of machinery, laying of a tramway or construction of a road in connection with the mine.

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To indemnify Government against all claims:-

4. The lessees shall make and pay such reasonable satisfaction and compensation as may be assessed by lawful authority in accordance with the law in force on the subject for all damage, injury or disturbance which may be done by him/them in exercise of the powers granted by this lease and shall indemnify and keep indemnified fully and completely the State Government against all claims which may be made by any person or persons in respect of any such damage, injury or disturbance and all costs and expenses in connection therewith.

To secure and keep in good condition pits, shafts, etc.:-

5. The lessee shall during the subsistence of this lease well and sufficiently secure and keep open with timber or other durable means all pits, shafts and workings that may be made or used in the said lands and make and maintain sufficient fences to the satisfaction of the State Government round every such pit, shaft or working whether the same is abandoned or not and shall during the same period keep all workings in the said lands except such as may be abandoned accessible free from water and foul air as far as possible.

To strengthen and support the mine to necessary extent: -

6. The lessee shall strengthen and support to the satisfaction of the Railway Administration concerned or the State Government, as the case may be any part of the mine which in its opinion requires such strengthening or support for the safety of any railway, reservoir, canal, road and any other public works or structures.

To allow inspection of workings: -

7. The lessee shall allow any officer authorised by the Central Government or the State Government in that behalf to enter upon the premises including any building, excavation or land comprised in the lease for the purpose of inspecting, examining, surveying, prospecting and making plans thereof sampling and collecting any data and the lessee shall with proper person employed by the lessee and acquainted with the mines and work effectually assist such officer, agents, servants and workmen in conducting every such inspection and shall afford them all facilities, information connected with the working of the mines which they may reasonably require and also shall and will conform to and observe all orders and regulations which the Central and State Governments as the result of such inspection or otherwise may, from time to time, see fit to impose.

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To report accident:-

8. The lessee shall without delay send to the Deputy Commissioner/Collector a report of any accident causing death or serious bodily injury or serious

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injury to property or seriously affecting or endangering life or property which may occur in the course of the operations under this lease.

To report discovery of other minerals:-

9. The lessee shall report to the State Government the discovery in the leased area of any mineral not specified in the lease within sixty days of such discovery along with full particulars of the nature and position of each such find. If any mineral not specified in the lease is discovered in the leased area, the lessee shall not win and dispose of such mineral unless such mineral is included in the lease or a separate lease is obtained therefor.

To keep records and accounts regarding production and employees etc.:-

- 10. The lessee shall at all time during the said term keep or cause to be kept at an office to be situated upon or near the said lands correct and intelligible books of accounts which shall contain accurate entries showing from time to time:-
 - (1) Quantity and quality of the said mineral realised from the said lands.
 - (2) Quantity of the various qualities of ores beneficiated or converted (for example coal converted into coke).
 - (3) Quantities of the various qualities of the said mineral sold and exported separately.
 - (4) Quantities of the various qualities of the said mineral otherwise disposed of and the manner and purpose of such disposal.
 - (5) The prices and all other particulars of all sales of said mineral.
 - (6) The number of persons employed in the mines or works or upon the said lands specifying nationality, qualifications and pay of the technical personnel.

Such other facts, particulars and circumstances as the Central or the State Governments may from time to time require and shall also furnish free of charge to such officers and at such times as the Central and State Governments may appoint true and correct abstract of all or any such books of accounts and such information and returns to all or any of the matters aforesaid as the State Government may prescribe and shall at all reasonable times allow such officers as the Central Government or State Government shall in that behalf appoint to enter into and have free access to the said officers for the purpose of examining and inspecting the said books of accounts, plans and records and to make copies thereof and make extracts therefrom.

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To maintain plans, etc:-

- 11. The lessee shall at all times during the said term maintain at the mine office correct intelligible up-to-date and complete plans and sections of the mines in the said lands. They shall show all the operations, and workings and all the trenches, pits and drillings made by him/them in the course of operations carried on by him/them under the case, faults and other disturbances encountered and geological data and all such plans and sections shall be amended and filled up by and from actual surveys to be made for that purpose at the end of twelve months of any period specified from time to time and the lessee shall furnish free of charge to the Central and State Governments true and correct copies of such plans and sections whenever required. Accurate records of all trenches, pits and drillings shall show: -
 - (a) The subsoil and strata through which they pass.
 - (b) Any mineral encountered.
 - (c) Any other matter of interest and all data required by the Central and State Governments, from time to time.

The lessee shall allow any officer of the Central or the State Government, authorised in this behalf by the Central Government, to inspect the same at all reasonable times. He/they shall also supply when asked for by the State Government/the Coal Controller, the Director-General, Geological Survey of India, the Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, a composite plan of the area showing thickness, dip, inclination etc. of all the seams as also the quantity of reserves quality-wise.

- 11A. The lessee shall pay a wage, not less than the minimum wage prescribed by the Central or State Government from time to time.
- 11B. The lessee shall comply with provisions of the Mines Act, 1952 and the rules made thereunder.
- 11C. The lessee shall take measures for the protection of environment like planting of trees, reclamation of land, use of pollution control devices, and such other measures as may be prescribed by the Central or State Government, from time to time at his own expense.

11D. The lessee shall pay compensation to the occupier of the land on the date and in the manner laid down in these rules.

11E. The lessee shall, in the matter of employment, give preference to the local tribals, and to the persons who become displaced because of the taking up of mining operations.

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11F. The lessee shall formulate social and economic welfare assistance/programme as spelt out under Para – 9.19 of the Environmental Impact Analysis Report of the mine.

Act 67 of 1957:-

- 12 (1). The lessee shall be bound by such rules as may be issued from time to time by the Government of India under section 18 of the Mines and Minerals (Regulation & Development) Act, 1957(Act 67 of 1957) and shall not carry on mining or other operations under the said lease in any way other than as prescribed under these rules.
- 12 (2). Without prejudice to the above provisions the mining operations conducted by the lessee should be fully mechanized as per the approved Mining Plan.
- 12 (3). The lessee shall installed a crushing and screening plant at the mining site to ensure that the Shale/Siltstone transported/exported to the Cement Factory at Bangladesh after it has undergo crushing and screening.

To provide Electronic Weighbridge:-

13. Unless specifically exempted by the State Government the lessee shall provide and at all times keep at or near the pit head or each of the pit heads at which the said mineral shall be brought to bank a properly constructed and efficient Electronic Weighbridge and shall weighed or cause to be weighed thereon all the said mineral from time to time, brought to bank, sold, exported and converted and also the converted products and shall at the close of each day cause the total weights, ascertained by such means of the said mineral, ores products raised, sold, exported and converted during the previous twenty-four hours to be entered in the aforesaid books of accounts. The lessee shall permit the State Government at all times during the said term to employ any persons to be present at the weighing of the said mineral as aforesaid and to keep accounts thereof and to check the accounts kept by the lessee:

To allow test of Electronic Weighbridge:-

The lessee/lessees shall allow any person or persons appointed in that behalf by the State Government at any time or times during the said term to examine and test every electronic weighbridge to be provided and kept as aforesaid and the weights used therewith in order to ascertain whether the same respectively are correct and in good repair and order and if upon any such examination or testing any such electronic weighbridge or weights shall be found incorrect or out of repair or order the State Government may require that the same be adjusted, repaired and put in order by and at the expense of the lessee and if such requisition be not complied with within fourteen days after the same shall have been made, the State Government may cause electronic weighbridge or weights to be adjusted, repaired, and

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put in order and the expense of so doing shall be paid by the lessee to the State Government on demand and if upon any such examination or testing as aforesaid any error shall be discovered in any electronic weighbridge or weights to the prejudice of the State Government such error shall be regarded as having existed for three calendar months, previous to the discovery thereof or from the last occasion of so examining and testing the same electronic weighbridge and weights in case such occasion be within such period of three months and the said rent and royalty shall be paid and accounted for accordingly.

To pay compensation for injury of third parties:-

15. The lessee shall make and pay reasonable satisfaction and compensation for all damage, injury or disturbance or person or property which may be done by or on the part of lessee in exercise of the liberties and power granted by these presents and shall at all times save harmless and keep indemnified the State Government from and against all suits, claims and demands which may be brought or made by any person or persons in respect of any such damage, injury or disturbance.

Not to obstruct working of other minerals:-

16. The lessee will exercise the liberties and powers hereby granted in such a manner as to offer no unnecessary or reasonably avoidable obstruction or interruption to the development and working within the said lands of any minerals not included in this lease and shall at all times afford to the Central and State Government and to the holders of prospecting licences or mining leases in respect of any such minerals or any minerals within any land adjacent to the said lands as the case may be reasonable means of access and safe and convenient passage upon and across the said lands to such minerals for the purpose of getting working, developing and carrying away the same provided that the lessee shall receive reasonable compensation for any damage or injury which he/they may sustain by reason or in consequence of the use of such passage by such lessees or holders of prospecting licences.

Transfer of lease:-

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- 17 (1) The lessee shall not, without the previous consent in writing of the State Government:-
 - (a) assign, sublet, mortgage, or in any other manner, transfer the mining lease, or any right, title or interest therein, or

enter into or make any arrangement, contract or understanding whereby the lessee will or may be directly or indirectly financed to a substantial extent by, or under which the lessee's operations or undertakings will or may be substantially controlled by, any person or body of persons other than the lessee:

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Provided that the State Government shall not give its written consent unless-

- (a) the lessee has furnished an affidavit along with his application for transfer of the mining lease specifying therein the amount that he has already taken or proposes to take as consideration from the transferee;
- (b) the transfer of the mining lease is to be made to a person or body directly undertaking mining operations.
- (2) Without prejudice to the above provisions the lessee may, transfer this lease or any right, title or interest therein, to a person who has filed an affidavit stating that he has filed up-to-date income tax returns, paid income tax assessed on him and paid the income tax on the basis of self-assessment as provided in the Income-Tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961), on payment of five hundred rupees to the State Government:

Provided that the lessee shall make available to the transferee the original or certified copies of all plans of abandoned workings in the area and in a belt 65 metres wide surrounding it.

Provided further that where the mortgagee is an Institution or a Bank or a Corporation specified in Schedule V, it shall not be necessary for any such Institution or Bank or Corporation to meet with the requirement relating to income tax and the said valid clearance certificate.

(3) The State Government, may by order in writing, determine the lease at any time if the lessee has/have in the opinion of the State Government, committed a breach of any of the above provisions or has/have transferred the lease or any right, title or interest therein otherwise than in accordance with clause (2):

Provided that no such order shall be made without giving the lessee a reasonable opportunity of stating his/their case.

Not to be financed or controlled by a Trust, Corporation, Firm or person:-

The lease shall not be controlled and the lessee shall not allow themselves to be controlled by any Trust, Syndicate, Corporation, Firm or person except with the written consent of the Central Government. The lessee shall not enter into or make any arrangement compact or understanding whereby the lessee will or may be directly or indirectly financed by or under which the lessee's/lessees' operations or undertakings will or may be carried on directly or indirectly by or for the benefit of or subject to the control of any Trust, Syndicate, Corporation, Firm or person unless with the written sanction given prior to such arrangement compact or understanding being entered into or made of the Central Government and any or every such arrangement compact or understanding as aforesaid (entered into or made with such sanction as aforesaid) shall only be entered into or made and shall

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- (b) Should the right of pre-emption conferred by this present provision be exercised and a vessel chartered to carry the minerals or products thereof procured on behalf of the State Government or the Central Government be detained on demurrage at the port of loading the lessee shall pay the amount due for demurrage according to the terms of the charter party of such vessel unless the State Government shall be satisfied that the delay, is due to causes beyond the control of the lessee.
- (c) The price to be paid for all minerals or products of minerals taken in preemption by the State Government in exercise of the right hereby conferred shall be the fair market price prevailing at the time of pre-emption PROVIDED THAT in order to assist in arriving at the said fair market price the lessee shall if so required furnish to the State Government for the confidential information of the Government, particulars of the quantities descriptions and prices of the said minerals or products thereof sold to other customers and of charters entered into for freight for carriage of the same and shall produce to such officer or officers as may be directed by the State Government original or authenticated copies of contracts and charter parties entered into for the sale or freightage of such minerals or products.
- (d) In the event of the existence of a state of war or emergency (of which existence and President of India shall be the sole judge and a notification to. this effect in the Gazette of India shall be conclusive proof), the State Government with the consent of the Central Government shall from time to time and all times during the said term have the right (to be exercised by a notice in writing to the lessee) forthwith take possession and control of the works, plant, machinery and premises of the lessee on or in connection with the said lands or operations under this lease and during such possession or control the lessee shall conform to and obey all directions given by or on behalf of the Central Government or State Government regarding the use or employment of such works, plants, premises and minerals: PROVIDED THAT fair compensation which shall be determined in default of agreement by the State Government shall be paid to the lessee for all loss or damage sustained by him/them by reason or in consequence of the exercise of the powers conferred by this clause and PROVIDED ALSO that the exercise of such powers shall not determine the said term hereby granted or affect the terms and provisions of these presents further than may be necessary to give effect to the provisions of this clause.

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Employment of foreign national:-.

22. The lessee shall not employ, in connection with the mining operations any person who is not an Indian national except with the previous approval of the Central Government.

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Recovery of expenses incurred by the State Government:-

23. If any of the works or matters which in accordance with the covenants in that behalf hereinbefore contained are to be carried or performed by the lessee be not so carried out or performed within the time specified in that behalf, the State Government may cause the same to be carried out or performed and the lessee shall pay the State Government on demand all expenses which shall be incurred in such carrying out or performance of the same and the decision of the State Government as to such expenses shall be final.

Furnishing of geophysical data:-

- 24. The lessee shall furnish:
 - (a) all geophysical data relating to mining fields, or engineering and ground water surveys, such as anomaly maps, sections, plans, structures, contour maps, logging, collected by him during the course of mining operations to the Director-General, Geological Survey of India, Calcutta,
 - (b) all information pertaining to investigations of radioactive minerals collected by him during course of mining operations to the Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy, New Delhi.

Data or information referred to above shall be furnished every year reckoned from the date of commencement of the period of the mining lease.

PART-VIII

The Covenants of the State Government

Lessee/lessees may hold and enjoy rights quietly:-

The lessee paying the rents, water rate and royalties hereby reserved and observing and performing all the covenants and agreements herein contained and on the part of the lessee to be observed and performed shall and may quietly hold and enjoy the rights and premises hereby demised for and during the term hereby granted without any unlawful interruption from or by the State Government, or any person rightfully claiming under it.

Acquisition of land of third parties and compensation thereof:-

 If in accordance with the provision of clause 4 of Part VII of this Schedule the lessee/lessees shall offer to pay to an occupier of the surface of any part

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of the said lands compensation for any damage or injury which may arise from the proposed operations of the lessee and the said occupier shall refuse his consent to the exercise of the right and powers reserved to the State Government and demised to the lessee by these presents and the lessee/lessees shall report the matter to the State Government and shall deposit with it the amount offered as compensation and if the Central/State Government is satisfied that the amount of compensation offered is fair and reasonable or if it is not so satisfied and the lessee shall have deposited with it such further amount as the State and Central Government shall consider fair and reasonable the State Government shall order the occupier to allow the lessee to enter the land and to carry out such operations as may be necessary for the purpose of this lease. In assessing the amount of such compensation the State Government shall be guided by the principles of the Land Acquisition Act.

To renew:-

3. The mining lease is renewable in terms of the provisions of the Act and the rules made thereunder.

Provided that the State Government may for reasons to be recorded in writing reduce the area applied for.

If the lease is in respect of minerals specified in the First Schedule to the Act, renewal will be subject to the prior approval of the Central Government.

If the lessee be desirous of taking a renewed lease of the premises hereby demised or of any parts of them for a further term from the expiration of the term hereby granted and is otherwise eligible, he/they shall prior to expiration of the last mentioned term give to the State Government twelve calendar months previous notice in writing and shall pay the rent, rates and royalties hereby reserved and shall observe and perform the several covenants and agreements herein contained and on the part of the lessee to be observed and performed up to the expiration of the term hereby granted. The State Government on receipt of application for renewal, shall consider it in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules made thereunder and shall pass orders as it deems fit. If renewal is granted, the State Government will at the expense of the lessee and upon his executing and delivering to the State Government if required a counterpart thereof execute and deliver to the lessee a renewed lease of the said premises or part thereof for the further term of 20 (twenty) years at such rents, rates and royalties and on such terms and subject to such rents, rates and royalties and on such terms and subject to such covenants and agreements, including this present covenant to renew as shall be in accordance with the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, applicable to Shale/Siltstone (name of minerals) on the day next following the expiration of the term hereby granted.

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Liberty to determine the lease:-

- 4. The lessee may at any time determine this lease by giving not less than 12 calendar months notice in writing to the State Government or to such officer, or authority as the State Government may specify in this behalf and upon the expiration of such notice provided that the lessee shall upon such expiration render and pay all rents, water rates, royalties, compensation for damages and other moneys which may then be due and payable under these presents to the lessor or any other person or persons and shall deliver these presents to the State Government then this lease and the said term and the liberties, powers and privileges hereby granted shall absolutely cease and determine but without prejudice to any right or remedy of the lessor in respect of any breach of any of the covenants or agreements contained in these presents.
- 4A. The State Government may on an application made by the lessee permit him to surrender one or more minerals from his lease which is for a group of minerals on the ground that deposits of that mineral have since exhausted or depleted to such an extent that it is no longer possible to work the mineral economically, subject to the condition that the lessee-
 - (a) Makes an application for such surrender of mineral at least six months before the intended date of surrender; and
 - (b) Gives an undertaking that he will not cause any hindrance in the working of the mineral so surrendered by any other person who is subsequently granted a mining lease for that mineral.

Refund of security deposits:-

5. On such date as the State Government may elect within 12 calendar months after the determination of this lease or of any renewal thereof, the amount of the security deposit paid in respect of this lease and then remaining in deposit with the State Government and not required to be applied to any of the purposes mentioned in this lease shall be refunded to the lessee. No interest shall run on the security deposit.

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PART-IX

General Provisions

Obstructions to inspection:-

 In case the lessee or his/their transferee/assignee does/do not allow entry or inspection by the officers authorised by the Central or State Government

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Penalty in case of default in payment of royalty and breach of covenants:-

2. If the lessee or his/their transferee or assignee makes/make any default in payment of rent or water rate or royalty as required by section 9 of the Act or commits a breach of any of the conditions and covenants other than those referred to in covenant 1 above, the State Government shall give notice to the lessee requiring him/them to pay the rent, water rate, royalty or remedy the breach, as the case may be, within sixty days from the date of receipt of the notice and if the rent, water rate and royalty are not paid or the breach is not remedied within such period, the State Government without prejudice to any proceedings that may be taken against him/them, determine the lease and forfeit the whole or part of the security deposit.

Penalty for repeated breaches of covenants:-

3. In case of repeated breaches of covenants and agreements by the lessee for which notice has been given by the State Government in accordance with clauses (1) and (2) aforementioned on earlier occasion, the State Government without giving any further notice, may impose such penalty not exceeding twice the amount of annual dead rent specified in clause 2, Part V.

Failure to fulfil the terms of leases due to "Force Majeure":-

4. Failure on the part of the lessee to fulfill any of the terms and conditions of this lease shall not give the Central or State Government any claim against the lessee or be deemed a breach of this lease, in so far as such failure is considered by the said Government to arise from force majeure, and if through force majeure the fulfillment by the lessee of any of the terms and conditions of this lease be delayed, the period of such delay shall be added to the period fixed by this lease. In this clause the expression "Force Majeure" means act of God, war, insurrection, riot, civil commotion, strike, earth quake, tide, storm, tidal wave, flood, lightning, explosion, fire, earthquake and any other happening which the lessee could not reasonably prevent or control.

Lessee to remove his/their properties on the expiry of lease:-

5. The lessee having first paid discharged rents, rates and royalties payable by virtue of these presents may at the expiration or sooner determination of the

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said term or within six calendar months thereafter (unless the lease shall be determined under clauses 1 and 2 of this Part and in that case at any time not less than three calendar months nor more than six calendar months after such determination) take down and remove for his/their own benefit all or any (ore mineral excavated during the currency of lease) engines, machinery, plant, buildings, structures, tramways, railways and other works, erections and conveniences which may have been erected, set up or placed by the lessee in or upon the said lands and which the lessee is/are not bound to deliver to the State Government under clause 20 of Part VII of this Schedule and which the State Government shall not desire to purchase.

Forfeiture of property left more than six months after determination of lease: -

6. If at the end of six calendar months after the expiration or sooner determination of the said term under the provision contained in clause 4 of Part VIII of this Schedule become effective there shall remain in or upon the said land any (ore or mineral), engines, machinery, plant, buildings, structures, tramways, railways and other work, erections and conveniences or other property which are not required by the lessee in connection with operations in any other lands held by him/them under prospecting licence or mining lease the same shall if not removed by the lessee within one calendar month after notice in writing requiring their removal has been given to lessee by the State Government be deemed to become the property of the State Government and may be sold or disposed of in such manner as the State Government shall deem fit without liability to pay any compensation or to account to the lessee in respect thereof.

Notices: -

7. Every notice by these presents required to be given to the lessee shall be given in writing to such person resident on the said lands as the lessee may appoint for the purpose of receiving such notices and if there shall have been no such appointment then every such notice shall be sent to the lessee by registered post addressed to the lessee/lessees at the address recorded in this lease or at such other address in India as the lessee/lessees may from time to time in writing to the State Government designate for the receipt of notices and every such service shall be deemed to be proper and valid service upon the lessee/lessees and shall not be questioned or challenged by him/them.

Entry of finished products:-

8. The lessee or its transferee shall ensure that in no way the finished products processed outside the State out of the Shale/Siltstone removed by him from the said land, is exported to the State of Meghalaya or for that matter into any other States of the North-East.

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Immunity of State Government from liability to pay compensation:-

- 9. If in any event the orders of the State Government are revised, reviewed or canceled by the Central Government in pursuance of proceedings under Chapter VII of the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960, the lessee shall not be entitled to compensation for any loss sustained by the lessee in exercise of the powers and privileges conferred upon him/them by these presents.
- 9A. The lease is executed at Shillong the capital town of the State of Meghalaya (name of the State) and subject to the provision of Article 226 of the Constitution of India, it is hereby agreed upon by the lessee and the lessor that in the event of any dispute in relation to the area and lease, condition of lease, the dues realisable under the lease and in respect of all matters touching the relationship of the lessee and the lessor, the suits (or appeals) shall be filed in the civil courts at Shillong (name of the city) and it is hereby expressly agreed that neither party shall be competent to file a suit or bring any action or file any petition at any place other than the courts named above.
- 10. For the purpose of stamp duty the anticipated royalty from the demised land is Rs. 13,50,000/- (Rupees thirteen lakhs fifty thousand) only per year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF these presents have been executed in the manner hereunder appearing the day and year first above written.

Signed by:

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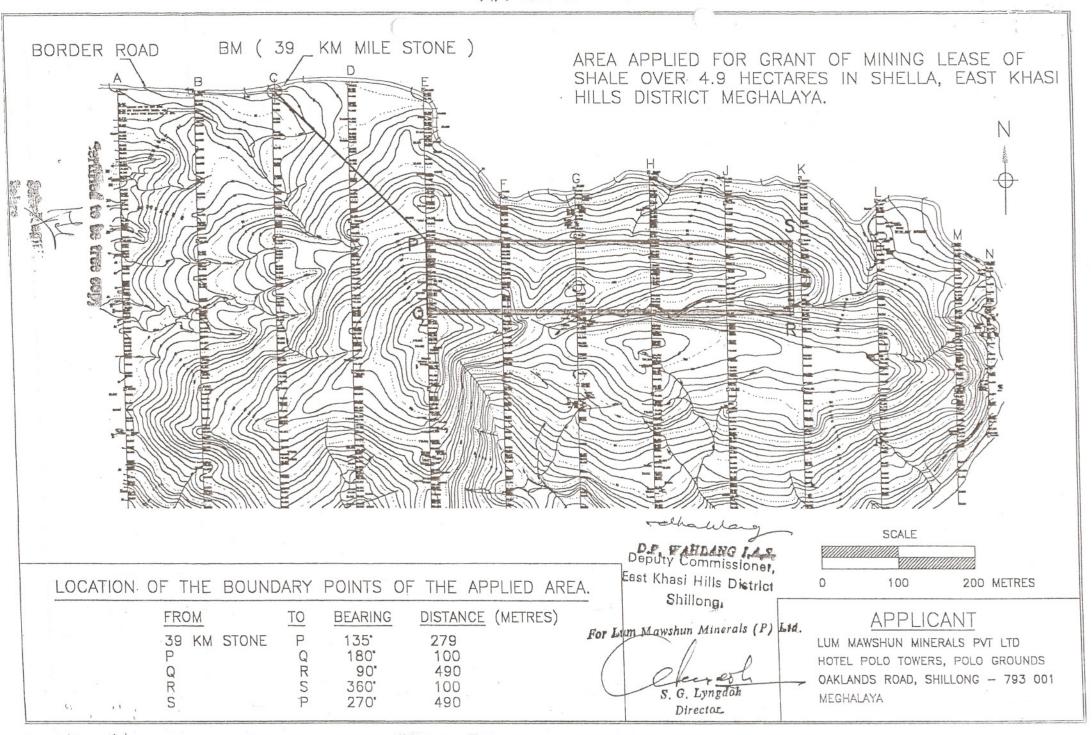
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October 20, 2011

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (T), Forest and Environment Department Sylvan House, Lower Lachumiere, Shillong -793001, Meghalaya.

Subject:

Determination of area of (4.9 ha) of land at East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya for shale/ siltstone mining of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt Ltd. as forest or non forest land.

- On 30 August 2002, the Mining and Geology Department, Government of Meghalaya allocated mining lease for mining of Shale-Siltstone in 4.9 Hectare (Ha) of area situated at Shella Village, East Khasi Hills District in the State of Meghalaya to Lum Mawshun Minerals Private Limited (LMMPL) for a period of 30 years. The mining lease was subsequently transferred by LMMPL to Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited (LUMPL) on 15 January 2003. Copy each of Mining Lease dated 30.08.2002 and its subsequent transfer dated 15.01.2001 are enclosed as Enclosures A & B respectively.
- 2 LUMPL issued a Notice of Opening of the above said Shale-Siltstone mine of 4.9 Ha in Form C as per Rule 22 of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules (MCDR) 1988 on 26 September 2005. The area in the mine which has been opened is 1.035 ha and about 202300 MT of Shale/Siltstone has been extracted to date.
- A notice of temporary discontinuance of work in Mine for the Shale-Siltstone Mine under the Rule 24 (1) of MCDR 1988 was issued by LUMPL on 2 May 2009 on account of technical difficulties to work in rainy season and also due to constraints in system of crushing and transportation and supply of same to the Lafarge Surma Cement plant based at Chhatak, Bangladesh. The operations of the mines continue to remain suspended till date.
- 4. Please note that apart from the above stated 4.9 Ha Shale-Siltstone mine LUMPL has another mining lease for 100 Ha Limestone mine which is also situated close by in East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya. All the mined out materials from both these mines are meant to be exported to the cement plant of Lafarge Surma Cement Ltd. ("LSC") Bangladesh through a 17 kilometer long cross border belt conveyor. LSC is the parent company of LUMPL.
- 5. On 30 April 2007, the Chief Conservator of Forests (C), Ministry of Environment and Forest, North Eastern Regional Office, directed LUMPL to stop mining activities in the limestone mine as the mining area was considered to be deemed forest area. LUMPL stopped the mining activities in the limestone mine immediately on receipt of letter dated 30.04.2007. LUMPL filed an application before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for expeditious disposal of its application under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and seeking necessary directions for resumption of mining operation.

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- 6. Accordingly, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India by its final order and judgment dated 06.July 2011 in the case of Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Ltd & Another Vs Union of India & Others, numbered as IA 1868 of 2007 in WP (C) No. 202 of 1995, has allowed the IA filed by LUMPL and the Hon'ble Court upheld the Environmental Clearance granted to LUMPL by Ministry of Environment and Forest (MoEF) on 09 August 2001 read with modified Environmental Clearance dated 19 April 2010, and Stage-I Forest Clearance dated 22 April 2010. Copy of the order dated 06.07.2011 is enclosed as **Enclosure C**
- 7. It is to be noted that the Shale/ siltstone mining lease area of 4.9 Ha was not considered to be a part of forestland. However, we note that Part II of the order and judgment dated 06 July 2011 has laid down certain guidelines which are to be followed in future cases, which might have a bearing and implication on the 4.9 Ha Shale Siltstone mining area of LUMPL.
- 8. In the light of the specific directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court under Part-II of the order dated 06.07.2011 you are requested to please determine as to whether the area of 4.9 Ha of shale/ siltstone mining of LUMPL in East Khasi Hills District is a forest land or not. A copy of the Location map of the Shale-Siltstone mine site is enclosed as **Enclosure D**.

Thanking you

For Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited

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Vice President and Director.



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Dated Shillong, the ____/Jan/2018.

To.

The Chief Conservator of Forests (T),

Meghalaya, Shillong.

Subj:

Determination of area of 13 hectare of land at East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya for Shale/Siltstone mining of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited as forest or non-forest land for the purpose of the Forest

(Conservation) Act, 1980.

Ref:

Your letter No.MGF.16/18/PCCF(T)/VOL.II/418, Dt.13/4/2017.

Sir,

In referring to the above, I have the honour to furnish herewith the inspection report on determination of area of 13 hectare of land at East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya for Shale/Siltstone mining of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited as forest or non-forest land for the purpose of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as under:

- 1. The proposed land is not part of RF/PF.
- The proposed land is not a Forest Land as per Meghalaya Forest Regulation Amendment Act, 2012 since the area is having 1048 trees of area of 13 hectares.
- 3. The tree enumeration data is enclosed herewith.
- 4. GPS map is enclosed herewith.
- 5. Photographs of the proposed Shale/Siltstone mining is enclosed herewith.

Enclosed: As above.

Yours Faithfully,

Divisional Forest Officer, Khasi Hills (T) Division, Shillong

Memo No. KH.1/45/87/2017/ /0/148-A-

Dated Shillong, the _____/Jan/2018

Copy to :-

1) The Operations Director, Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Ltd., Shillong for favour of your kind information. This has a reference to his letter dated. 30/3/2017.

Divisional Forest Officer, Khasi Hills (T) Division, Shillong

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OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (T): MEGHALAYA

No.MFG.16/18/PCCF (T)/Vol-II/ 660/

Dated Shillong, the August, 2018.

To,

The Operations Director, M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Pvt. Ltd, Hotel Polo Tower, Oakland, Shillong East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya, Shillong-793001.

Sub:

NOC for forest clearance for 13 ha of proposed shale mining at Mawiong, Shella of M/s Lafarge Umiam Mining Private Limited.

Sir,

With reference to the above, I am to inform you that vide your application dated 30.03.2017, the area of 12.423 ha for shale mining at Mawiong, Shella, is considered as forest land, as per record.

This is for favour of your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

(P.S. NONGBRI, IFS) Conservator of Forests (T). Khasi & Jaintia Hills, Meghalaya, Shillong.

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