

18th March 2020

To
The DFO, Koraput
Forest Division, Koraput, Odisha

Sub: Forest Clearance of Pottangi Bauxite Mines

Ref: i. Your letter no 1092 dt : 26/02/2020
ii. Nalco's letter no 18 dt : 17/02/2020
iii. Your letter no 912 dt : 05/02/2020

Respected Madam,

Inviting reference to the above subject & referred letters, the compliance w.r.t each para as raised by your office vide letter dt: 26/02/2020 are as follows:

1. Regarding FRA Certificate from Collector, Koraput:

- Gramma Sabha's in 04 Panchayat is completed on 19th to 22nd June'2019. Copy of letter of ADM is enclosed at **Annex-I**.
- BDO, Pottangi has forwarded the proceedings of Gramma Sabah to ADM, Koraput on 06.07.2019. Copy enclosed at **Annex-II**.
- Matter is pending with office of the Collector, Koraput for issuance of FRA Certificate.
- As per MoEF Circular 11-43/2013-FC dt : 26/02/2019

Quote:

..... FRA is not required for consideration of in-principle approval.

Un-quote

Copy of circular is enclosed at **Annex- III**

Thus as the process for obtaining FRA Certificate is already initiated long back & matter is pending with Collector Koraput as on date . We had already submitted an undertaking with the FDP that the same will be submitted to your office before Stage-II clearance is granted.

2. Regarding CA scheme needs change :

The proposed changes as advised for inclusion of infrastructure for laboratory etc will be incorporated in the Safety zone CA scheme being prepared by your office, after the recent field inspection to Pottangi Mines. NALCO will be glad to implement the above CA scheme of safety zone with all the proposed changes and necessary fees will be immediately deposited in CAMPA as soon as it is approved by competent authority.

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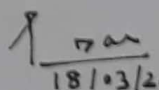
3. Additional SMC scheme @25% of the CA cost for CA area is already incorporated in the following two CA schemes prepared by DFO, Nabrangpur as per MOEF guide lines and deposited in your office on 13/02/2020 . The page Nos. are given below for kind reference against each scheme:
- (a) CA scheme of ANR 1688 Ha of ML of Pottangi Mines ,Pages 13 to 18
 - (b) Scheme for Afforestation over 36 Ha of 1.5 times Safety Zone,Pages13 to 19
4. The entire Pottangi Mines ML area consists of 697.979 Ha of Forest area and Forest Department has not granted any rights under FRA to surrounding villages as there are no human habitation within the ML area. Hence specific NOC in view of their displacement and rehabilitation is not required here.
5. The present Forest Clearance proposal for Pottangi Mines is only for the Mining Lease. NALCO has already initiated a separate FC proposal for the approach road along with Conveyor corridor, Power corridor for Pottangi Mines over an area of 125 acres. Road & Conveyor line FC proposal is a separate independent linear project as far as FC is concern, which is being taken care in parallel. Hence, the present proposal may not be tagged with the approach road.
- Copy of the fresh work order for Forest Clearance is enclosed at **Annex-IV**.
6. Regarding point no-07 of your letter 912 dt: 05/02/2020 , this is for your information that requisite documents has been deposited with RO ,Semiliguda on 17/02/2020 for authentication . Once it is completed, the same will be uploaded in FDP on-line & EDS will be closed from our end.

Copy of letter to RO is enclosed at **Annex- V**

Therefore it's our request to process the FDP, as its old proposal of Nov-2017 & is getting delayed due to some reason or other. Nalco is facing difficulty in meeting the Capex target as per the MOU with Ministry of Mines, Gol w.r.t NPV payment to the tune of Rs 65 cr or more to be deposited with CAMPA fund. Seeking your kind co-operation & expedite action.

Thanking you

Yours Sincerely


18/03/2020
(Goutam Das)

Enclosed : As above

Copy to :

RCCF , Koraput

PCCF (Nodal) Bhubaneswar – For kind information please