



**Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Ltd.**

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No. KSMCL/189/SIOM/Conveyor/FC Proposal/2021-22/666

26.06.2023

The Deputy Conservator of Forests

Ballari Division

Ballari

Sir,

**Sub: Diversion of 22.2887 Ha (Revised from 23.863 Ha.) of forest land in Swamymalai Block, Sandur South Range, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District for pipeline conveyor belt at Subbarayanahalli Iron Ore Mine (SIOM) - M.L. No. 2629 in favour of M/s Karnataka State Minerals Corporation Limited [Online Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/48923/2020 (Form-A)].**

**Ref: M1/MNG/KSPCL(MML)/ML No. 2629/2021-22 dated 14.12.2022.**

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As per the letter from your office dated 14.12.2022 mentioned in the reference, it was requested to submit the re-designed conveyor proposal and to submit the Catchment Area Treatment Plan (CATP) for the same area/ alignment as the proposed forest land is very steep and stream are prone to soil erosion.

The alignment of the conveyor belt was designed after thorough inspection and investigation by the engineering consultant assigned for the submission Techno-economic feasibility report for the best conveyor belt route. Various other alternatives were worked out before arriving at this most effective route.

Further, in the same letter it was requested to submit the CATP for the same proposed area. Also in the meeting held at the ACS (FEE)'s office on 24.04.2023, your kind self have agreed that this alignment can be accepted for which the CATP has to be submitted. The CATP has been prepared by Dr. Ravi, Syed Ali and team of Keladi Shivappa Nayaka University of Agricultural & Horticultural Sciences (KSNUAHS), Shivamogga and submitted with financial proposal.

Therefore, kindly drop the line "to submit the re-designed conveyor proposal", since the CATP is prepared on basis of proposed alignment and accept the present alignment submitted for forest clearance of Online Proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/48923/2020 and oblige.

Thanking you,



Yours sincerely,

MANAGING DIRECTOR

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