

FORM NO. II
(for projects other than linear projects)
Government of Odisha
Office of the District Collector, Keonjhar

No. 2685

Dt. 31.12.14

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

In compliance of the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), Government of India's letter No.11-9/98-FC(Pt)-dt.3rd August, 2009 wherein the MoEF issued guidelines on submission of evidences for having initiated and completed the process of settlement of rights under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights Act), 2006 ('FRA' for short) on the forest land proposed to be diverted for non-forest purposes, it is certified that 519.7472 hectares of forest land proposed to be diverted in favour of M/s O.M.C., Ltd for the purpose of mining activities in **Gandhamardan Block A Iron Ore Mines** in Keonjhar District falls within jurisdiction of Danla(Ha.121.4192), Suakati(9.7300) village and Gandhamardan R.F.(388.5980) in Keonjhar Tahasil.

It is further certified that

- (a) the complete process of identification and settlement of rights under the FRA has been carried out for the entire 519.7472 hectares of forest land proposed for diversion. A copy of records of all consultations and meetings of the Forest Rights Committee(s), Gram Sabha(s), Sub-Division Level Committee(s) and the District level Committee are enclosed as annexure 1 to annexure 19
- (b) the proposal for such diversion (with full details of the project and its implecations, in vernacular/local language) have been placed before each concerned Gram Sabha(s) of forest dwellers who are eligible under the FRA.
- (c) the each of concerned Gram Sabha(s), has certified that all formalities/processes under the FRA have been carried out, and that they have given their consent to the proposed diversion and the compensation and ameliorative measures, if any, having understood the purpose and the details of proposed diversion. A copy of certificate issued by the Gram Sabhas of Danla and Suakati village is enclosed as annexure 7 and 13
- (d) the discussion and decisions on such proposals had taken place only when there was a quorum of minimum 50% of the members of Gram Sabha present.
- (e) No such facilities managed by Government requiring diversion of forest land u/s 3(2) of the Forest Rights Act, 2006 exist over the forest land proposed for diversion
- (f) the rights of Primitive Tribal Groups and Pre-Agricultural Communities, where applicable have been specifically safeguarded as per section 3(1) (e) of the FRA.

Encl:- As above.

(Sri Bishnu Prasad Sahoo)
Collector, Keonjhar

N B : i) This certificate is issued as per letter No.17446/F&E/Dt.21.8.2013 of Special Secretary to Govt. F&E Department, Odisha and D.O.letter No.17593/CS/F&E/dt. 24.10.2009 and letter No.27799/F&E/dt.30.9.2010 of the Chief Secretary, Odisha.

ii) This certificate is issued subject to fulfillment of all other statutory provisions to operate the mines.

D.W.O., Keonjhar

P.A., ITDA, Keonjhar

Sub-Collector, Keonjhar