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To

Addl Principal Chief Conservator of forest,

Forest Conservation and Nodal Officer FCA,

Aranya Bhava, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram

Bangalore 560003.

Sir

Sub: Diversion of 6.523 Ha of forest land in Tanigehalli, Hirekandawadi & Dindadahalli Villages,

Chitradurga District, for Pipe Conveyor projects of Vedanta Ltd (ML 2677) located near Bheemasamudra/ Megalahalli village in Chitradurga district in favour of Vedanta Ltd.

Ref:

1. Our online proposal dated 09.03.2018 (Original), 01.06.2018 (Resubmitted).

2. Your office online communication dated 31.03.2018.

3. Your letter No A5(1) MNG.CR.20/2017-18 Dated 14.06.2018.

4. Our online proposal No 34838 Dated 23.07.2018

5. Your Mail P No. FP/KA/MIN/34838/2018 of M/s Vedanta Ltd Dated 21.08.2018

As per the discussion held with you in your office we are resubmitting our reply to the shortcomings for diversion of conveyor belt project as per the direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court order Dated 07.12.2018. Our point wise reply for your e-mail dated 21.08.2018 given below for your perusal.

S no	Queries	Vedanta's Reply / Clarification
1	GPS readings are not matching with the KML file	GPS readings has been rechecked and corrected, same is matching with KML.
2	Forest area requirement as per FORM A is shown as 6.523 ha. However, based on GPS readings, the area comes to 7.1044 ha.	GPS readings has been rechecked and correct GPS reading being uploaded. The area as per GPS and Form – A are matching.
3	Please provide the KML file (with inbuilt measurement option) of entire alignment of the project in forest as well as non-forest land in two different colours	KML file has been provided with inbuilt measurement option. Sample screen shot attached in additional document for your perusal.
4	As per the ICT Cell of this office, the present alignment passes through mining lease of M/s Jantakal Enterprises and Ms/ Mineral Enterprises. Accordingly, acceptance of the proposal is subject to the no-objection of the said parties. An Undertaking may be submitted in this regard.	Please note conveyor corridor is not passing through M/s. Mineral Enterprises Ltd but passing through M/s. Jantakal Enterprises. It is to be noted that M/s Jantakal mine is currently non-operational. However based on the records available in public domain the said lease does not have valid forest clearance and would require diversion of forest under section -2 of forest conservation act 1980 for installation of conveyor belt in said area. We, therefore request forest department to facilitate the grant of our
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		there is no other option to route the conveyor. As per the direction we have also attached undertaking.
5	Instead of aligning the conveyor belt outside and parallel to the boundary of your mining lease area (ML 2677), please consider aligning the conveyor belt within your own leased area till it reaches its end. This would minimize the requirement of forest area.	As per the discussion held in your office the area available within our lease falls under the mineral bearing zone. As per the Conceptual plan approved by Indian Bureau of Mines it falls under Ming Zone. Hence locating the alignment inside the lease is not possible till end of our lease corner. IBM Approved plan attached in additional documents to support our plea.
6	Acceptance of CA land is subject to the provisions of GOK order dated 31-08-2016 and suitability of such land for raising CA. Georeference map of the proposed CA land overlaid on the village map may be submitted	Geo-reference map of the proposed CA land overlaid on the village map have been submitted.

We request you t kindly accept our application and process.

Thanking you

For Vedanta Limited

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Authorized Signatory