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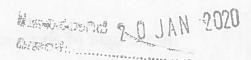
Office of the Director
Dept. of Mines and Geology,
Khanija Bhavan, Race Course Road
Bangalore-1, dtd: **20.01.2020**.

To,

M/s Vedanta Ltd.,
Sesagoa Iron Ore, Sesa Ghor,
20 EDC Complex, Patto,
Panjim, Goa-403 001.

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Sir,

Sub: Proposal for installation of Conveyor belt system to transport iron from ML No. 2677 - reg.

Ref: Your letter dated: 14.08.2019.

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The issue related to installation of conveyor belt system has been indicated in your letter cited under reference has been examined in detail.

The Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dated: 07.12.2017 in IA No. 247 in WP No. 562/2009 has directed KMERC to submit detailed project report on the construction of conveyor belts. As per the letter cited at reference, it is noticed that the proposed conveyor belt of M/s Vedanta Ltd, is passing through category "B" mine i.e M/s Janthakal Enterprises which has been recommended for cancellation by this Directorate.

Further, the said mine M/s Janthakal Enterprises area has already been entrusted to M/s KIOCL for conducting mineral exploration and reserve estimation. M/s KIOCL has prepared Geological Map and has conducted Topographical survey, which reveals that the proposed conveyor belt alignment as proposed by M/s Vedanta Ltd is passing through the mineralized area. This issue was also deliberated in the Technical Committee and the Committee has recommended to shift alignment of the conveyor belt system.

Hence, the matter was placed before the State Empowered Committee held on 27.12.2019 for discussion and decision. The Committee suggested to inform the lessee to find out alternate alignment immediately to avoid further delay.

In the light of above mentioned facts and circumstances, you are hereby informed to change / shift the alignment of conveyor belt installation in consultation with Deputy Director, Department of Mines and Geology Chitradurga and mineral exploration agency i.e, KIOCL to avoid overlapping issues.

Yours faithfully,

DIRECTOR.