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JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE MINING PROJECT IN FOREST LAND

Iron ore mining leases are site-specific projects. The iron ore & Manganese deposits are mainly located in the hill ranges of Tumakuru Dist., which form part of the Section - 4 Janeeru Corrigendum Notification No.FEE 188 FAF 2014, dated 04-09-2014. Thus there is no alternative option for this land for systematic, scientific & sustainable mining operations.

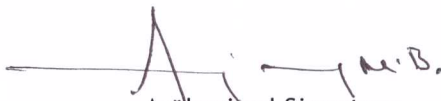
The Iron ore reserves falling under the said forest land cannot be moved by any other method or medium to any other place other than mining them by Open-pit method which needs diversion of the forest i.e., the project is site specific. Therefore, the project is proposed to be located in the land, which is leased/re-granted and same is a forestland over an extent of 37.45 Ha. The project also requires additional area for approach road for an extent of 10.75 Ha for connection of Mining lease area and existing roads (end point of the road is considered based on topo sheet RF boundary and field condition). As the hill range consists of good, economic iron ore reserves, apart from the proposed mining lease area, there are many other leases to be granted and this road can be made use of by other user agencies also in near future .Diversion of total forest land is 48.20 Ha (for Mining 37.45 Ha + approach road 10.75 Ha i.e Total: 48.20 Ha (119.20 Acres).

The existence of the Iron Ore is evidenced in the proposed area, therefore Govt. of Karnataka had invited applications for Re-grant over the proposed land through public advertisement and the same land has been Re-granted as per Notification Dated : 19.03.2009 Vide No: CI.37:MMM.2001 (2) by Government of Karnataka after obtaining prior approval from Ministry of Mines, Government of India.

Therefore, it is mandatory to go for diversion of forest land under the provisions of Forest Conservation Act 1980 for carrying out mining activities including access/approach road for this grant/sanctioned mining lease area.

Hence, this proposal is being forwarded for obtaining clearance under F.C. Act 1980.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully,
For Mineral Enterprises Private Limited,,


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