



Justification for Locating the Project in the Forest Area

Dear Sir/Madam,

Justification for locating the Project in the Forest Area is as under:

1. The Directorate of Geology and Mining (DGM), Government of Maharashtra, pursuant to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (the “Act”) and Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 as amended from time to time (the “Auction Rules”), issued the Notice Inviting Tender, dated January 19, 2018 to commence the auction process for grant of Mining Lease for Guguldoh Manganese Ore Block located in Manegaon Village, Ramtek Tehsil, District Nagpur of Maharashtra State. The e-auction process was conducted in accordance with the Tender Document for the Guguldoh Manganese Ore Block and we M/s Shanti G. D. Ispat and Power Pvt. Ltd. have been declared the ‘Preferred Bidder’ under Rule 9(9)(iii) of the Auction Rules.
2. The Government of Maharashtra has issued Letter of Intent (LOI) for the Grant of Mining Lease for Manganese Ore in Guguldoh, Manegaon Village, Ramtek Taluka, Nagpur District of Maharashtra on 105.00 Hectare area for a period of 50 years, vide the Government of Maharashtra, Industries, Energy and Labour Department Letter No. MMN - 0518/C.R.30/Industry-9, dated 05.06.2018 in pursuance to the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (the “Act”) and Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2015 (the “Auction Rules”).
3. Out of 105 Hectare area, 99.95 Hectares area falls under Forest and rest of 5.05 Hectares area is Government Land.
4. The location of the site for manganese ore mining operation is exclusively dependent upon the Geological Set-up and nature’s endowment.
5. Hence, the question of exploring the alternative site for the purpose does not arise.

Sincerely yours,

For, M/s Shanti G. D. Ispat and Power Pvt. Ltd.



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