JUSTIFICATION:

The Geological Survey of India (GSI) has identified and established that the area of Sukinda Valley contains 96% of Chromite deposits of the country. The proposed project i.e. Kalarangiatta Chromite Mines is also located in the Sukinda Valley.

All the Chromite Mining Leases such as Sukinda Chromite Mines of M/s.TATA Steel, South Kaliapani Chromite Mines of M/s.Orissa Mining Corporation, Sukinda Mines (Chromite) of M/s.Indian Metals & Ferro Alloys Limited, Kaliapani Chromite Mines of M/s. Balasore Alloys limited, Kaliapani Chromite Mines of M/s.Ferro Alloys Corporation Limited etc., are situated/located in the Sukinda Valley.

On the Eastern Side of the Project is Sukinda Chromite Mines of M/s.TATA Steel Ltd., On the Northern side of the Project is Chromite Mines of M/s.Orissa Mining Corporation.

All the aforesaid Mining Leases are in the Forest area only.

The Geological Survey of India has conducted detailed survey and established that Chromite is available mainly in the Sukinda valley, hence the location of the project i.e. Kalarangiatta Chromite Mines is necessitated for its Mining Operations over the Forest land, in the said Sukinda Valley.

The Chromite so raised from the project will be used in the User Agency's Captive Ferro Chromite and Charge Chrome Plants for manufacturing of Ferro Chrome/Charge Chromite which amounts to value addition to the mineral.

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