JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST LAND AND DETAILS OF ALTERNATIVE EXAMINED

Dalla Cement Works (DCW) along with captive mine was acquired from Jaiprakesh Associates Limited (JAL) by Ultratech Cement limited pursuant to scheme of arrangement Sectioned by NCLT bench at Mumbai on 15.02.2017 and NCLT bench at Allahabad on 02.03.2017 respectively. the Scheme was made effective from 29.06.2017 by the resolution passed at meeting of Board of directors of Ultratech and JAL held on 29.06.2017 respectively. earlier JAL has acquired the Dalla Cement Factory along with its captive mines through sale of asset of Uttar Pradesh State Cement Corporation Limited (UPSCCL) (in Liquidation) as approved by the order dated 11-10-2006 read with order dated 12.10.2007 of the Honorable Allahabad high Court. Kajarahat Limestone Mine & Bhalua Limestone Mines as part of MOI whose non forest area is only available for mining and lease of the forest area has not been grated /executed till date. The details of limestone reserve which are available in non-forest area of the above mine are given in the following table:

SI. No.	Mines	Available Area as per MOI (in ha.)	Area of lease of non-forest area (in ha.)	Limestone reserve on non-forest area (in MT)	Area of lease in forest area (in ha.)	Limestone reserve on forest area (in MT)
1.	Kajarahat	751.000	370.365	NIL	380.635	135.70
2.	Bhalua	643.433	592.827	5.00	50.606	10.45
	Total	1394.433	963.192	5.00	431.241	146.15

Out of total forest land, the following area is applied for diversion –

Lease	Total Area (ha)	Non-Forest (ha.)	Forest (ha.)	Forest Area in ESZ (ha.)	River (ha.)	FC (ha.)
Bhalua	643.433	592.827	50.606	0	0	50.606
Kajrahat	751.000	370.365	380.635	68.963	17.590	294.082
TOTAL	1394.433	963.192	431.241	68.963	17.590	344.688

It seems that 96.69% limestone are blocked because of non-availability of the forest land, which was under possession of the UPSCCL, earlier when DCW was functioning and the mining activity were going on since 1976. Thereafter, the mine stood transferred to JAL pursuant to the order dated 12.10.2007 on the Honorable Allahabad High Court as stated above. Therefore, this forest land required to transfer to UltraTech Cement Limited to conduct mining operation for which DCW has been established and the same limestone is required for Dalla Super Cement Works, which was established keeping in mind availability of total limestone reserve.

The forest land of Kajarahat & Bhalua limestone mines is 380.635 + 50.606 = 431.241 ha. M/s UltraTech Cement Limited have applied total 344.688 ha for diversion of forest land, excluding the Eco-sensitive Zone (68.963 ha.) and Kanhar River Area (17.590 ha.)

For UltraTech Cement Limited

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