

Office of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bellary Division, Bellary. Dated: 27.11.2018.

## **Demand Notice**

Sub: Diversion of 133.58 hectare of forest land (Comparising of 130.53ha for iron ore Mining in erestwhile ML No.2365 of M/s Tungabhadra Mineral Private Limited and 3.05 ha for approach road) in Donimalai Block, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s JSW Steel Ltd Toranagallu, Ballari District.

- Ref: 1) Letter No. F.No. 8-12/2018-FC dated:22.06.2018 of Government of India, Ministry of Environmental, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi.
  - 2) Letter No. PCCF/WL/D/CR-41/2018-19 dated: 19.09.2018 of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Bengaluru.
  - 3) This office letter No.M1/MNG/WL/SMC/Plan/2018-19(M.L.No.2365) dated:16.11.2018.

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With reference to the above subject, the Ministry of Environment Forests and Climate Change, Bengaluru has accorded 'in principle' approval (Stage-I) under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation), Act-1980 for diversion of 133.58 hectare of forest land (Comparising of 130.53ha for iron ore Mining in erestwhile ML No.2365 of M/s Tungabhadra Mineral Private Limited and 3.05 ha for approach road) in Donimalai Block, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District in favour of M/s JSW Steel Ltd Toranagallu, Ballari District in ref(1) cited above. Condition as follows:

Condition No.7 "State Government shall prepare a site-specific wild life management plan duly approved by Chief Wildlife Warden of the state. The cost of preparation and implementation shall be borne by user agency"

Condition No.9 "User agency shall prepare and implement a soil and moisture conservation plan. It shall be duly approved by competent authority in the state and commensurate funds shall be deposited in the account of Adhoc-CAMPA."

As per the condition No.7 & 9, meeting was held on 08.08.2018 under the chairmanship of Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari at circle office in the presence of DCF, Ballari and user agency. In this meeting, the CCF, Ballari instructed the DCF, Ballari to give the field inputs on the basis of field verification to the user agency for including the same in the Wildlife Conservation Plan and Soil & Mositure Conservation Plan. Meanwhile, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Bengaluru has approved the Wildlife Conservation Plan and Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan submitted by the user agency directly to the the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Bengaluru vide letter at reference(2) above. Subsequently, as per the instruction of Chief Conservator of Forests, Ballari, this office submitted report to the Chief Conservator of Forests,

Ballari Circle, Ballari for inclusion of field inputs on the basis of field verification in the Wildlife Conservation Plan and Soil & Moisture Conservation plan vide reference (3) above.

On 19.11.2018, DCF, Ballari discussed with the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Bengaluru through telephone, about the inclusion of field inputs (on the basis of field verification) in the approved plan. But, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Bengaluru has instructed to issue a demand notice as per the plan already approved. Further, the issue was discussion with APCCF (FC), Bangalroe (on 27.11.2018) and CCF, Ballari about issuing the demand notice to the user agency based on the already approved plan.

Hence, you are hereby instructed to remit the following amount through RTGS and E-Payment Module of Forest Clearance portal *forestclearance.nic* after duly generating the challan and submit the remittance details to this office.

Sl. No.	Specific activities	Amount (In lakhs)
1	Wildlife Conservation plan	64.00
2	Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan	03.36
Total		67.36

Further, at any circumstances, if the above plans are revised or additional item are included in future, the difference amount have to be remitted in future without fail. In this regard undertaking can be submitted by the user agency.

Deputy Conservator of Forests, Bellary Division, Bellary.

To,

M/s. JSW Steel Limited, M.L.No.2365, JSW Mining Office, Vidhyanagara, Toranagallu