

Justification for locating the project in forest area.

Kumaraswamy Iron Ore Mine lease having a total leasehold area of 647.50 Ha. KIOM is scheduled to be fully developed for large scale mechanized mining by 2015-16. The mine has got MoEF Clearance for production of 7 MTPA, during the last two financial years, a total of 8.00 Million tons i.e, on average 40 LT of Iron Ore per annum had been excavated from KIOM.

Presently, the KIOM mine approach roads (kachha road) is very narrow and having sharp curves and it is very difficult for transportation of buses, trucks, cranes, trailers and HEM Equipments to KIOM Mining area for carrying out the mining activities at the lease hold area. Hence, it is very much essential to smoothen and widen of the existing road for smooth functioning / transportation of KIOM mining activity.

In view of the above, it is proposed to divert 4.40 Ha of forest land for non-forestry use, so that the present approach road can be smoothened and widened for easy transportation of our HEM vehicles.

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