

Ref: PO(KDH)/Forest/2026-27/ 133

Date - 18/07/2026

To
PCCF cum ED-Nodal
Wasteland Development Board Jharkhand
Vanbhavan – Ranchi

Subject – Request for accepting demand for payment to CAMPA for approved De-siltation Plan , wildlife Management Plan and Soil moisture conservation plan for compliance in stage-I forestry diversion of 126.72 Ha forest land w.r.t. KDH OCP of Central Coalfields Limited

Dear Sir,

This is to bring to your kind notice that KDH OCP, CCL has been accorded Stage-I forestry clearance for an area of 126.72 ha forest land by MoEF&CC vide letter no 8-62/2018-FC dated 27.02.2023.(copy of Stage I approval attached)

In compliance of stage-I following Plans were approved from the competent authority and demand for the payment to CAMPA was raised. The details are as follows :

S.n o.	Plan	Condition of Stage I approval	Approval order Ref No	Amount (Rs.)	Demand Details	
1.	De siltation Plan	A(7)	Office Order no. 89 dated 05.07.2024 of PCCF HOFF	6,49,74,241	Letter no. 2347 Dated 10.07.2024 of DFO ranchi	Annexure A
2.	Wildlife Management Plan	B(2)	Office Order no. 14 dated 30.01.2024 of PCCF HOFF	39,36,72,000	Letter no. 495 Dated 06.02.2024 of DFO ranchi	Annexure B
3.	Soil Moisture Conservation Plan	B(14)	Office Order no. 90 dated 05.07.2024 of PCCF HOFF	30,00,30,000	Letter no. 2346 Dated 10.07.2024 of DFO ranchi	Annexure C
Total				₹75,86,76,241.00		

Further observations have been raised by MoEF&CC, New Delhi vide ref no 8/62/2018-FC Dated 10.07.2026. As per the above mentioned observations funds in respect of WLMP and SMC has to be submitted. Further this is to submit that during the initial movement of compliances only WLMP was approved and as such its demand was raised at that time.



This is to humbly submit that the project has to submit funds against the plans mentioned above. As such the uploaded demand of WLMP has been withdrawn and it is humbly submitted to accept the combined demand for all three plans please.

Thanking You.

Yours Faithfully


Project Officer
KDH OCP

Enclosures: As mentioned above

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
 Jor Bag Road, Aliganj,
 New Delhi – 110003.
Dated: 27th February, 2023

To

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
 Government of Jharkhand,
 Ranchi.

Sub: Proposal for non-forestry use of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) in Ranchi District, Jharkhand – reg.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Jharkhand's letter no. Van Bhumi-06/2017/3422/V.P. dated 13.08.2018 on the above subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and letter no. Van Bhumi-06/2017-1201/V.P. dated 22.04.2022 and letter No. Vanbhumi-06/2017-2426-V.P. dated 22.08.2022 forwarding additional information as sought by the Ministry vide its letter of even number dated 22.08.2019 and 22.06.2022 respectively and to say that the proposal has been examined by the Forest Advisory Committee constituted by the Central Government under Section-3 of the aforesaid Act.

After careful examination of the proposal of the State Government and on the basis of the recommendations of the Forest Advisory Committee, and approval of the same by the competent authority of the MoEF&CC, New Delhi, the Central Government hereby accords '**In-principle/Stage-I**' approval under Section - 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) in Ranchi District, Jharkhand subject to fulfilment of the following conditions:

A. Conditions which need to be complied prior to handing over of forest land by the State Forest Department and compliance is to be submitted prior to Stage-II approval :-

1. *As per the approved Mining plan, an additional forest area of 135.91 ha is required for the expansion of the project. However, the instant proposal has been submitted for 126.72 ha only, excluding the area of 9.19 ha forest land which as per approved mining plan is earmarked as safety zone. The State government shall either revise the Mining plan or seek the diversion of the 9.19 ha. for the purpose of safety zone;*
2. *The State Govt. shall submit a detailed status report of the approvals under FCA, 1980 of the forest land involved in the entire lease area. The forest areas for which a valid approval under FCA, 1980 is not available shall not be used before a valid approval under FCA, 1980 for the same is obtained;*
3. *The cost of compensatory afforestation at the prevailing wage rates as per compensatory afforestation scheme and the cost of survey, demarcation and erection of permanent pillars, if required on the CA land, shall be deposited in advance with the Forest Department by the user agency. The CA will be maintained for 10 years. The*


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scheme may include afforestation of indigenous species with appropriate provision for anticipated cost increase for works scheduled for subsequent years;

4. The User Agency shall transfer the funds towards the cost of Net Present Value (NPV) of the forest land being diverted under this proposal in accordance with the MoEF&CC guidelines dated 6.01.2022 read with guidelines dated 19.01.2022;
5. Compensatory levies to be realized from the User Agency under the project shall be transferred/ deposited, through e-challan, in to the account of CAMPA pertaining to the State concerned through e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>);
6. The State Government shall complete settlement of rights, in term of the Scheduled Tribes and Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, if any, on the forest land to be diverted and submit the documentary evidence, along with compliance of Stage-I approval, as prescribed by this Ministry's letter No. 11-9/1998-FC (Pt.) dated 03.08.2009 read with 05.07.2013, in support thereof;
7. The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS co-ordinates located within five km from the mine lease boundary. This list is to be duly verified by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The User Agency shall regularly undertake de-silting of these village tanks and other water bodies so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks/water bodies. A detailed plan for de-silting of identified ponds and water bodies prepared in consultation with forest department shall be submitted;
8. The KML files of diverted area, the CA areas, the proposed SMC treatment area and the WLMP area shall be uploaded on the e-Green watch portal with all requisite details prior to Stage II approval;
9. The compliance report shall be uploaded on e-portal (<https://parivesh.nic.in/>).

B. Conditions which need to be complied on field after handing over of forest land to the user agency by the State Forest Department but the compliance in form of undertaking shall be submitted prior to Stage-II approval:-

1. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged;
2. *Wildlife Management plan shall be prepared and implemented at the cost of the user agency. The approved Wildlife management plan shall be submitted and the applicable cost shall be deposited as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry in this regard;*
3. Compensatory afforestation over degraded forest land, double in extent to the forest land being diverted, shall be raised by the State Forest Department at the project cost within three years from the date of grant of Stage - II approval;
4. At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the present rate, the user agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India;
5. The user agency shall explore the possibility of translocation of maximum number of trees identified to be felled and shall ensure that any tree felling shall be done only when it is unavoidable and that too under strict supervision of the State Forest Department;
6. Trees should be felled in phased manner as per the requirement in the approved Mining Plan with prior permission of concerned DFO;


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7. The User Agency shall undertake mining in a phased manner after taking due care for reclamation of the mined over area. The concurrent reclamation plan as per the approved mining plan shall be executed by the User Agency from the very first year, and an annual report on implementation thereof shall be submitted to the Nodal Officer, Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, in the concerned State Government and the concerned Regional Office of the Ministry. If it is found from the annual report that the activities indicated in the concurrent reclamation plan are not being executed by the User Agency, the Nodal Officer or the concern Addl. Principle Chief Conservator of Forests (Central) may direct that the mining activities shall remain suspended till such time, such reclamation activities area satisfactorily executed;
8. The User Agency shall comply with the Hon'ble Supreme Court order on re-grassing, and re-grass the mining area and any other areas which may have been disturbed due to mining to restore them to a condition which is fit for growth of fodder, flora, fauna, etc. in a timely manner;
9. Period of diversion of the said forest land under this approval shall be for a period co-terminus with the period of the mining lease proposed to be granted under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, as amended and the Rules framed there-under;
10. The User Agency shall obtain the Environment Clearance as per the provisions of the Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986, if required;
11. No labour camp shall be established on the forest land and the User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the labourers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas;
12. The boundary of the diverted forest land, mining lease and safety zone, as applicable, shall be demarcated on ground at the project cost, by erecting four feet high reinforced cement concrete pillars, each inscribed with its serial number, distance from pillar to pillar and GPS coordinates;
13. Following activities, as per approved plan / schemes, shall be undertaken in the lease area by the User Agency under the supervision of the State Forest Department. Approved scheme/plan shall be submitted to the Ministry along with compliance of Stage-I approval:
 - i. Mitigative measures to minimize soil erosion and choking of stream shall be implemented within a period of three year with effect from the issue of Stage-II clearance in accordance with the approved Plan in consultation with the State Forest Department.
 - ii. Planting of adequate drought hardy plant species and sowing of seeds, in the appropriate area within the mining lease to arrest soil erosion in accordance with the approved scheme;
 - iii. Construction of check dams, retention /toe walls to arrest sliding down of the excavated material along the contour in accordance with the approved scheme;
 - iv. Stabilize the overburden dumps by appropriate grading/benching, in accordance with the approved scheme, so as to ensure that angles of repose at any given place is less than 280; and
 - v. No damage shall be caused to the top-soil and the user agency will follow the top soil management plan.
14. The User agency either himself or through the State Forest Department shall undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and


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rejuvenate the degraded open forests (having crown density less than 0.40), if any, located in the area within 100 meter from outer perimeter of the mining lease. The plan for plantation and SMC activities shall be prepared and submitted to MoEF&CC;

15. Safety Zone Management: Following activities, at project cost, shall be undertaken by the user agency for the management of safety zone as per relevant guidelines issued by the Ministry's guidelines:

- i. User agency shall ensure demarcation of safety zone (7.5 meter strip all along the inner boundary of the mining lease area), and its fencing, protection and regeneration by erecting adequate number of 6 feet high RCC boundary pillars inscribed with DGPS coordinates with barbed wire fencing and deploying adequate number of watchers under the supervision of the. State Forest Department;
- ii. Boundary of the safety zone of the mining lease, adjacent to habitation/roads, should be properly fenced by the user agency;
- iii. Safety zone shall be maintained as green belt around mining lease and to ensure dense canopy in the area, regeneration shall be taken up in this area by the user agency at project cost under the supervision of the State Forest Department;
- iv. Afforestation on degraded forest land to be selected elsewhere, measuring one and a half times the area under safety zone, shall also be done at the project cost under the supervisions of the State Forest Department. The degraded forest land (DFL) so selected will be informed to the MoEF& CC with shape files before Stage-II approval and afforestation will be done within three years from the date of Stage-II clearance and maintained thereafter in accordance with the approved Plan in consultation with the State Forest Department; and
- v. The State Government and the user agency shall ensure that safety zone is maintained as per the prescribed norms;

16. The cost of felling of trees shall be deposited by the User Agency with the State Forest Department;

17. The layout plan of the mining plan/ proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government and the forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal;

18. The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;

19. No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused;

20. The User Agency shall submit the annual self -compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government, concerned Regional Office and to this Ministry by the end of March every year regularly;

21. Any other condition that the concerned Regional Office of this Ministry may stipulate with the approval of competent authority in the interest of conservation, protection and development of forests & wildlife;

22. The user agency shall comply all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project; and


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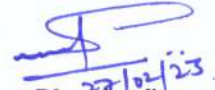
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23. Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed in para 1.21 of Chapter 1 of the Handbook of comprehensive guidelines of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 as issued by this Ministry's letter No. 5-2/2017-FC dated 28.03.2019.

After receipt of compliance report on fulfilment of the conditions mentioned above, the proposal shall be considered for final approval under Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Transfer of forest land shall not be affected till final approval is granted by the Central Government in this regard.

Yours faithfully,



(Suneet Bhardwaj)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
2. The Regional Officer, Integrate Regional Office of the MoEF&CC at Ranchi;
3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), O/o PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi;
4. User Agency;
5. Monitoring Cell, Forest Conservation Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.

Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj
New Delhi: 110003,
Dated:10-07-2026

To,

The Principal Secretary (Forests),
Government of Jharkhand,
Ranchi.

Subject: Proposal for non-forestry use of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) in Ranchi District, Jharkhand State– regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Jharkhand letter received in the Ministry on 24.04.2026 on the above mentioned subject submitting compliance report of Stage- I approval accorded by the Ministry vide letter dated 27.02.2023. After examination of compliance report submitted by the State Government in the Ministry following is observed:

- i. In compliance of condition no. A(8) of Stage-I approval, KML for CA land, SMC, WLMP areas have not been uploaded in egreenwatch despite being sought again in this Ministry's letter dated 30.06.2025. The State shall upload the same and submit compliance in this regard.
- ii. In compliance of condition no. B (2) of Stage-1 approval, the State Government has informed that the Wildlife Management plan has been approved. However, details of funds deposited by user agency in CAMPA account has not been submitted despite being sought in this Ministry's letter dated 30.06.2025. Accordingly, payment details may be submitted.
- iii. As per Stage-I condition B(15)(iv),. KML files for afforestation in lieu of Safety zone (1.5 times safety zone in DFL) were sought prior to Stage-II approval. That has not been submitted. Accordingly, the same may be submitted.
- iv. The State Government shall ensure the funds pertaining to the Soil Moisture Conservation Plan are deposited by user agency in CAMPA account. Furthermore, payment details of the same may be submitted.

In view of the above, the State Government of Jharkhand is requested to submit the information/documents, as indicated above, for further consideration of the proposal in the Ministry.

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Date: 10-07-2026
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Yours
faithfully,

Sd/-

(S. Sundar)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to: -

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2. The DDGF (Central), Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Ranchi.
3. The Nodal Officer, O/o the PCCF, Department of Forest, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
4. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi for uploading.
5. The User Agency.



कार्यालय :- वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी, राँची वन प्रमण्डल, राँची।

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कर्म है सुखदायी ॥

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परियोजना अधिकारी,
के०डी०एच० परियोजना,
एन०के० एरिया, सी०सी०एल०।

विषय:- Sanction Order of the De-siltation Plan with reference to non-forestry use of 126.72 ha. of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), in Ranchi district, Jharkhand.

प्रसंग:- प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड, राँची का ज्ञापांक-1717 दिनांक-05.07.2024

महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रासंगिक पत्र की छाया प्रति संलग्न करते हुए अनुरोध है कि विषयक प्रस्ताव के स्टेज-I की स्वीकृति में लगाये गये शर्त सं०-A(7) "The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS co-ordinates located within five km from the mine lease boundary This list is to be duly verified by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The User Agency shall regularly undertake de-silting of these village tanks and other water bodies so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks/water bodies. A detailed plan for de-silting of identified ponds and water bodies prepared in consultation with forest department shall be submitted." के अनुपालन हेतु इस प्रमण्डल के लिए रुपये 6,49,74,241.00 (प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक झारखण्ड, राँची के कार्यालय आदेश सं०-89 दिनांक-05.07.2024 के अनुरूप) ऑनलाईन चालान जेनेरेट करते हुए कैम्पा खाता में समर्पित करना सुनिश्चित करें, ताकि अग्रतर कार्रवाई की जा सके।

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आपका विश्वासी

वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी
राँची वन प्रमण्डल, राँची।

10/07/24



Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

Van Bhawan, Doranda, Ranchi - 834 002
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Office order No. 89

dated 05.07.2024

Sanction Order of the De-siltation Plan with reference to non-forestry use of 126.72 ha of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), in Ranchi district, Jharkhand

The instant Desiltation Plan (referred to as "the Plan" here in after) has been submitted by M/s. **Central Coalfields Limited (CCL)** (referred to as "the User Agency or M/s CCL ") in pursuance of the following conditions/ Terms of Reference laid by MoEF&CC under condition no. A-7 of Stage-1 approval vide letter no. 8-62/2018-FC dated 27.02.2023 for non-forestry use of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), in Ranchi district, Jharkhand.

The aforesaid Terms of Reference laid by the Central Government reads as follows:

Condition no A-7: "The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS co-ordinates located within five km from the mine lease boundary This list is to be duly verified by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer. The User Agency shall regularly undertake de-silting of these village tanks and other water bodies so as to mitigate the impact of siltation of such tanks/water bodies. A detailed plan for de-silting of identified ponds and water bodies prepared in consultation with forest department shall be submitted."

2. In compliance of the aforesaid condition laid by MoEF&CC, the User Agency M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) submitted a De-siltation Plan for diversion of forest land proposal of KDH Open Cast Mining Project prepared in consultation with Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi Forest Division and RCCF, Ranchi.


05.07.2024

3. In the above stated background, the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi (RCCF, Ranchi) vide his letter no. 210 dated 07.02.2024 submitted the Plan to the office of the undersigned for its due sanction.

4. In order to examine the plan prescriptions a communication was issued to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi, vide this office letter no. 1078 dated 24.04.2024 to arrange a Power-Point Presentation of the plan on 30.04.2024 in the conference hall of the undersigned. The presentation was made by the Project proponent in the presence of Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi, CF, Ranchi, and DFO Ranchi Forest Division. Shri Sujit Kumar, G.M., NK Area, CCL, Shri Anil Kumar Singh, Project Officer, KDH Open Cast Project, Shri Nishank Kumar, SO (P&P), NK Area, Divya Prakash, M.T. (Envt.), NK Area, CCL, Shri Sanjay Kumar Sinha, Retd. CCF, Shri Premjit Anand, IFS Retd. were also present during the presentation.

5. After deliberation on various provisions of De-siltation Plan and the presentation, certain observations were communicated to the User Agency vide this office order no. 56 dated 03.05.2024 through office letter memo no. 1172 dated 03.04.2024.

6. A revised Plan was duly received vide RCCF, Ranchi letter no. 990 dated 19.06.2024 which was reviewed by the undersigned. The user agency has now informed ^{that} 4 villages falling under Latehar district were to be included in the revised Plan but a De-siltation Plan for adjoining Purnadih OCP of CCL has been prepared in which these 4 villages of Latehar district under KDH OCP overlap within 5 km impact zone of Purnadih OCP. Hence 4 villages falling in Latehar have not been included in the said Plan for KDH OCP. Further, as required, the user agency has got the list of existing village tanks and other water bodies duly verified by the DFO, Ranchi. Further, components of skill development for frontline staffs and development of alternative livelihoods have also been included in the said Plan. Therefore, all the observations have been duly incorporated in this revised Plan.

7. Sanction is hereby accorded to the proposed 10-year De-siltation Plan with respect to the activities to be carried out by DFO, Ranchi Forest Division, the cost of which has been estimated to be Rs. 6,49,74,241.00. The summary of the proposed interventions under the Plan is as follows:


05.07.2024

Summary of the De-siltation Plan for KDH Open Cast Project		
S.No.	Work Component	Budget allocation (Rs.)
A	De-siltation work	6,24,74,241.00
B	Awareness generation	15.00
C	Training of frontline staff	10.00
	Total	6,49,74,241.00

8. The Plan with a total financial outlay of Rs. 6,49,74,241.00 extends over a period of 10 years and shall be utilized by the Forest Department through the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division in accordance with the Plan prescriptions.

9. Considering the proposals under the plan submitted by the User Agency and recommendation of the concerned forest officers, sanction is hereby accorded to the instant Plan subject to the following conditions:

- (i) That the User Agency shall ensure that its officials/contractors and the work force engaged into mining and allied operations under the Project shall not commit or abet any forest/wildlife offence in their area of operation. They will also promptly report any forest/wildlife offence in the area to the nearest forest office/official. Further, they will extend their full cooperation to the forest officials in control/mitigation of any incident, natural or man -made, detrimental to forest and wildlife in their area of operation.
- (ii) That the total amount of Rs. 6,49,74,241.00 (Rupees six crore forty-nine lakh seventy four thousand two hundred forty one only) shall be deposited by the User Agency into CAMPA account under the relevant head/sub-head and shall be utilized by the State Forest Department through the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division as delineated under the Plan, strictly in accordance with the prevailing norms under the Jharkhand Forest Department.
- (iii) That as regards the funds earmarked against activities to be undertaken by the State Forest Department, DFO, Ranchi Forest Division shall prepare a detailed Annual Plan of Operations (APO) in the beginning of every financial year in respect of the instant Plan following all the rules, regulations, Schedule of Rates etc. issued from time to time by the State Government/ Forest Department. Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi shall supervise & closely monitor the progress of the activities undertaken by Divisional Forest


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Officer, Ranchi Forest Division respectively as per the approved APO & funds released under CAMPA.

- (iv) That the Conservator of Forest, Ranchi Circle shall supervise all the activities as per directions issued by the Forest Department from time to time.
- (v) That the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division shall carry out the activities under the Plan strictly as per the duly sanctioned APO.
- (vi) That the DFO, Ranchi shall ensure that no violation of duly sanctioned Working Plan of their Forest Divisions takes place during implementation of any of the activities involved in this plan over notified and demarcated forest land.
- (vii) The User Agency shall submit an undertaking to the Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi to the effect that it will deposit extra cost of the Plan beyond the cost escalation provision owing to increase in wage rate etc. in due course of time as well as consequent upon revision in the plan, if any, as and when given effect to by the competent authority.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi

Memo No.

dated

Copy forwarded to Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Ranchi, Harmu Housing Colony, Ranchi [email: ro.ranchi-mef@gov.in] / Principal Chief Conservator of Forest-cum-Executive Director, Waste Land Development Board, Jharkhand, Ranchi / Additional PCCF, CAMPA along with a copy of the Plan, for information and necessary action.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi


35.07.2024

Memo No.

dated

Copy forwarded to Regional Chief Conservator of Forest, Ranchi / Conservator of Forest, Territorial Circle, Ranchi / DFO, Ranchi Forest Division for information and necessary action.

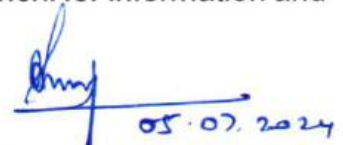
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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi

Memo No. 1717

dated 05-07-2024

Copy forwarded to M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), Ranchi for information and necessary action.



Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi



कार्यालय :- वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी, राँची वन प्रमण्डल, राँची।

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पत्रांक:- 495 दिनांक:- 06-01-2024

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परियोजना अधिकारी,
के०डी०एच० परियोजना,
एन०के० एरिया, सी०सी०एल०।

विषय:- Sanction Order of the Site-specific Wildlife Management Plan with reference to Diversion of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land of KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/S Central Coalfields limited (CCL), in Ranchi district- Jharkhand

प्रसंग:- प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक-सह-कार्यकारी निदेशक, बंजर भूमि विकास बोर्ड, झारखण्ड, राँची का ज्ञापांक-134 दिनांक-30.01.2024

महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रासंगिक पत्र की छाया प्रति संलग्न करते हुए अनुरोध है कि विषयक प्रस्ताव के स्टेज-I की स्वीकृति में लगाये गये शर्त सं०-B(2) के अनुपालन हेतु वन्यप्राणी प्रबंधन योजना में इस प्रमण्डल के लिए रुपये 3936.72 लाख (प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक वन्यप्राणी एवं मुख्य वन्यप्राणी प्रतिपालक, झारखण्ड, राँची के कार्यालय आदेश सं०-14 दिनांक-30.01.2024 के अनुरूप) ऑनलाईन चालान जेनेरेट करते हुए कैम्पा खाता में समर्पित करना सुनिश्चित करें, ताकि अग्रतर कार्रवाई की जा सके।

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राँची वन प्रमण्डल राँची।
06/02



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Office Order No. 14.....

Date. 30/01/2024

Sanction Order of the Site-Specific Wildlife Management Plan with reference to Diversion of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land for KDH (Karanpura Dewalkhand Hesalong) Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), in Ranchi district, Jharkhand.

The instant Site-Specific Wildlife Management Plan (referred to as "the Plan" here in after) has been submitted by M/s. **Central Coalfields Limited (CCL)** (referred to as "the User Agency or M/s CCL ") in pursuance of the following conditions/ Terms of Reference laid by MoEF&CC under condition no B (2) of Stage-I clearance vide letter no F.No. 8/62/2018-FC dated 27.02.2023 for diversion of 126.72 Ha of forest land under KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) in Ranchi district of Jharkhand.

The aforesaid Terms of Reference laid by the Central Government reads as follows:

Condition no B (2)- "Wildlife Management Plan shall be prepared and implemented at the cost of the user agency. The approved Wildlife Management Plan shall be submitted and the applicable cost shall be deposited as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry in this regard."

In compliance of the condition laid by MoEF&CC under item no B (2) of Stage-I vide letter no F.No. 8/62/2018-FC dated 27.02.2023 for diversion of 126.72 ha of forest land under KDH Open Cast Mine, the User Agency M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) submitted a Site Specific Wildlife Management Plan for diversion of forest land proposals of KDH Open Cast Mine Project prepared in consultation with Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi Forest Division, C.F, Ranchi and RCCF, Ranchi.

In the above stated background, the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi(RCCF, Ranchi) vide his letter no. 109 dated 23.01.2024 has submitted the Plan to the office of the undersigned for its due sanction.

In order to examine the plan prescriptions a communication was issued to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi, vide this office letter no. 107 dated 25.01.2024, to arrange a Power-Point Presentation of the plan on 29.01.2024 in the Office chamber of the undersigned. The presentation was made by the Project proponent in the presence of Chief Conservator of Forests Wildlife, Ranchi, C.F, Ranchi, DFO Ranchi Forest Division, Sri Sujit Kumar, G.M (N.K), Sri A.K. Singh, P.O (KDH), Sri Premjit Anand, I.F.S (Retd) and Nishank Prakash, Manager (Env), N.K Area, GM Office, Dakra.

The cost of the proposed 10 year Site Specific Wildlife Management Plan with respect to the activities to be carried out by DFO, Ranchi Forest Division has been estimated to be Rs. 3936.72 lakh. The summary of the proposed interventions (component wise) under the Plan with the objective of conservation of forest and wildlife resources as also to mitigate the impacts of mining on forests and wildlife is as follows:

Summary of the Site Specific Wildlife Management Plan for KDH Open Cast Mine Project		
S.N.	Work Component	Cost estimates (Rs. In Lakh) To be implemented by the DFO Ranchi
1	Wildlife Habitat Protection and development	1769.82
2	Improvement of water regime and its maintenance	242.20
3	Measures for anti depredation and wildlife protection	475.00
4	Fire prevention and protection of habitat	135.50
5	Livelihood and capacity building & Training of local people to reduce their dependence on forest	101.24
6	Capacity building of forest department personnel for monitoring	65.00
7	Supervision at Division level	223.97
8	Awareness Generation, Research & Documentation/ Evaluation and Impact Assessment of the Plan.	251.00
	Total:-	3263.73
	Cost Escalation @20%	652.99
	Contingency	20.00
	Grand Total:-	3936.72

The Plan with a total financial outlay of Rs. 3936.72 Lakh extends over a period of 10 years from the first year of implementation (Year 2024-25 to 2033-34; tentatively) shall be utilized by the Forest Department through the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division in accordance with the Plan prescriptions.

Considering the proposals under the plan, sanction is hereby accorded to the instant Plan subject to the following conditions:

- (i) That the User Agency shall ensure that its officials/contractors and the work force engaged into mining and allied operations under the Project shall not commit or abet any forest/wildlife offence in their area of operation. They will also promptly report any forest/wildlife offence in the area to the nearest forest office/official. Further, they will extend their full cooperation to the forest officials in control/mitigation of any incident, natural or man-made, detrimental to forest and wildlife in their area of operation.
- (ii) ***That the total amount of Rs 3936.72 lakh shall be deposited by the User Agency into CAMPA account under the relevant head/sub-head and shall be utilized by the State Forest Department through the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division as***

delineated under the Plan, strictly in accordance with the prevailing norms under the Jharkhand Forest Department.

- (iii) That as regards the funds earmarked against activities to be undertaken by the State Forest Department, DFO, Ranchi Forest Division shall prepare a detailed Annual Plan of Operations (APO) in the beginning of every financial year in respect of the instant Plan following all the rules, regulations, Schedule of Rates etc. issued from time to time by the State Government/ Forest Department. Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi shall supervise & closely monitor the progress of the activities undertaken by Divisional Forest Ranchi Forest Division as per the approved APO & funds released under CAMPA.
- (iv) The selection of suitable species under plantation activities should be as per site quality & appropriate for Enrichment plantation for Elephant Movement path & with the objective of ensuring adequate food/fodder for herbivorous wild animals of the area specially Elephants and Avifauna for biodiversity conservation.
- (v) As regards the provision of four wheeler vehicle provision in the plan is concerned, procurement of vehicle shall be need based and a customized camper type vehicle to be used by patrolling and Anti-depredation team in elephant affected areas for the purpose of forest and wildlife protection may be procured.
- (vi) That the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division shall carry out the activities under the Plan strictly as per the duly sanctioned APO.
- (vii) That the Conservator of Forests, Ranchi Circle shall supervise all the activities as per directions issued by the Forest Department from time to time.
- (viii) That the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division shall ensure that no violation of duly sanctioned Working Plan of Ranchi Forest Division takes place during implementation of any of the activities involved in this plan over notified and demarcated forest land.
- (ix) That at least one year before the expiry of the instant Plan the User Agency shall formulate and submit to the Forest Department another plan in continuation of the instant plan for next 10 years. The impact of implementation of this Plan shall be evaluated by the competent authority.
- (x) That the instant Plan is dynamic and may be revisited after every 2 years and a revised plan may be formulated as per need of the project impacted area and convenience of the implementing agencies. The revised plan, if any, shall be put up before the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Wildlife & Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand for its due approval.



- (xi) That though adequate provisions have been made towards cost escalation in the plan viz. increase in wage rate/ material cost etc., yet the User Agency shall submit an undertaking to the Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi Forest Division to the effect that they will deposit extra cost of the plan beyond the cost escalation provision owing to increase in wage rate etc. in due course of time as well as consequent upon revision in the plan, if any, as and when given effect to by the competent authority.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand

Memo No.

Dated:

Copy forwarded to Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Harmu Housing Colony, Ranchi [E-mail: ro.ranchi-mef@gov.in] for information and necessary action.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand

Memo No.

Dated:

Copy forwarded to Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Forests, Environment and Climate Change, Govt. of Jharkhand Ranchi/ Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Jharkhand, Ranchi/ Principal Chief Conservator of Forests-cum-Executive Director, Wasteland Development Board, Jharkhand, Ranchi for Information.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand

Memo No.

Dated:

Copy forwarded to Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, CAMPA, Jharkhand, Ranchi with a copy of plan for Information and necessary action.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand

Memo No.

Dated:

Copy forwarded to Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi/ Conservator of Forests, Ranchi Circle/ Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi Forest Division for information and necessary action.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand

Memo No. 134

Dated: 30/01/2024

Copy forwarded to Sri Sujit Kumar, G.M (N.K), [E-mail: gmnkareadkr@yahoo.co.in] for information and necessary action.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Wildlife and Chief Wildlife Warden, Jharkhand



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पत्रांक:- 2346 दिनांक:- 10-07-2024

सेवा में,

परियोजना अधिकारी,
केडीएच परियोजना,
एनकेएरिया, सीसीएल।

विषय:- Sanction Order of the Site-specific Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan with reference to non-forestry use of 126.72 ha. of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), in Ranchi district, Jharkhand.

प्रसंग:- प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड, राँची का ज्ञापांक-1718 दिनांक-05.07.2024

महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रासंगिक पत्र की छाया प्रति संलग्न करते हुए अनुरोध है कि विषयक प्रस्ताव के स्टेज-I की स्वीकृति में लगाये गये शर्त सं०-B(14) "The User Agency either himself or through the State Forest Department shall undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forest (having crown density less than 0.40), if any, located in the area within 100 meter from outer perimeter of the mining lease. The plan for plantation and SMC activities shall be prepared and submitted to MoEF&CC." के अनुपालन हेतु इस प्रमण्डल के लिए रुपये 3000.30 लाख (प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक झारखण्ड, राँची के कार्यालय आदेश सं०-90 दिनांक-05.07.2024 के अनुरूप) ऑनलाईन चालान जेनेरेट करते हुए कैम्पा खाता में समर्पित करना सुनिश्चित करें, ताकि अग्रतर कार्रवाई की जा सके।

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राँची वन प्रमण्डल, राँची।
9/8/24



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Office order No. 90

dated 05.07.2024

Sanction Order of the Site-Specific Soil and Moisture Conservation Plan with reference to non-forestry use of 126.72 ha of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), in Ranchi district, Jharkhand

The instant Site-Specific Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan (referred to as "the Plan" here in after) has been submitted by M/s. **Central Coalfields Limited (CCL)** (referred to as "the User Agency or M/s CCL ") in pursuance of the following condition/ Term of Reference laid by MoEF&CC under condition no. B-14 of Stage-1 approval vide letter no. 8-62/2018-FC dated 27.02.2023 for non-forestry use of 126.72 ha (84.35 ha PF and 42.37 ha Jungle Jhari) of forest land for KDH Open Cast Mine in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), in Ranchi district, Jharkhand.

The aforesaid Term of Reference laid by the Central Government reads as follows:

Condition No. B-14: *The User agency either himself or through the State Forest Department shall undertake gap planting and soil & moisture conservation activities to restock and rejuvenate the degraded open forests (having crown density less than 0.40), if any, located in the area within 100 meter from outer perimeter of the mining lease. The plan for plantation and SMC activities shall be prepared and submitted to MoEF&CC.*

2. In compliance of the aforesaid conditions laid by MoEF&CC, the User Agency M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) submitted a site-specific Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan for diversion of forest land proposal of KDH Open Cast Mining Project prepared in consultation with Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi Forest Division, CF, Ranchi and RCCF, Ranchi.


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3. In the above stated background, the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi (RCCF, Ranchi) vide his letter no. 211 dated 07.02.2024 submitted the Plan to the office of the undersigned for its consideration for sanction.

4. In order to examine the plan prescriptions a communication was issued to the Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi, vide this office letter no. 1078 dated 24.04.2024 to arrange a Power-Point Presentation of the plan on 30.04.2024 in the conference hall of the undersigned. The presentation was made by the Project proponent in the presence of Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi, CF, Ranchi, and DFO Ranchi Forest Division. Shri Sujit Kumar, G.M., NK Area, CCL, Shri Anil Kumar Singh, Project Officer, KDH Open Cast Project, Shri Nishank Kumar, SO (P&P), NK Area, Divya Prakash, M.T. (Envt.), NK Area, CCL, Shri Sanjay Kumar Sinha, Retd. CCF, Shri Premjit Anand, IFS Retd. were also present during the presentation.

5. After deliberation on various provisions of the proposed Plan and the presentation, certain observations were communicated to the User Agency vide this office order no. 57 dated 03.05.2024 through office letter memo no. 1173 dated 03.04.2024.

6. A revised Plan was duly received vide RCCF, Ranchi letter no. 990 dated 19.06.2024 which was reviewed by the undersigned. The user agency has submitted the Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan now as per condition no. B-14 (to be implemented by the State Forest Department). Further, it has been informed now that there is only one village falls under the jurisdiction of Hazaribagh West Division, situated approx. 9 km away from the battery point of the project and thus will have negligible impact of mining operations in that village. Further, components of skill development for frontline staffs and development of alternative livelihoods have also been included in the said Plan. Therefore, all the observations have been duly incorporated in this revised Plan.

7. Sanction is hereby accorded to the proposed 10-year Site-Specific Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan with respect to the activities to be carried out by DFO, Ranchi Forest Division, the Cost of which has been estimated to be Rs. 3000.30 lakh. The summary of the proposed interventions (component wise) under the Plan is as follows:


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Summary of the Site-Specific Soil & Moisture Conservation Plan for KDH Open Cast Project		
S.No.	Work Component	Budget allocation (Rs. in Lakh)
A	Vegetative control of soil and water erosion	514.61
B	Improvement of water regime and its maintenance	1727.82
C	Awareness generation, research and documentation	248.00
D	Photography and documentation	20.00
	Total	2510.43
	Escalation @ 20% over 10 year Plan period	469.87
	Contingency	20.00
	Grand Total	3000.30

8. The Plan with a total financial outlay of Rs. 3000.30 Lakh extends over a period of 10 years and shall be utilized by the Forest Department through the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division in accordance with the Plan prescriptions.

9. Considering the proposals under the plan submitted by the User Agency and recommendation of the concerned forest officers, sanction is hereby accorded to the instant Plan subject to the following conditions:

- (i) That the User Agency shall ensure that its officials/contractors and the work force engaged into mining and allied operations under the Project shall not commit or abet any forest/wildlife offence in their area of operation. They will also promptly report any forest/wildlife offence in the area to the nearest forest office/official. Further, they will extend their full cooperation to the forest officials in control/mitigation of any incident, natural or man-made, detrimental to forest and wildlife in their area of operation.
- (ii) That the total amount of Rs. 3000.30 lakh (Rupees thirty crore and thirty thousand only) shall be deposited by the User Agency into CAMPA account under the relevant head/sub-head and shall be utilized by the State Forest Department through the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division as delineated under the Plan, strictly in accordance with the prevailing norms under the Jharkhand Forest Department.
- (iii) That as regards the funds earmarked against activities to be undertaken by the State Forest Department, DFO, Ranchi Forest Division shall prepare a detailed Annual Plan of Operations (APO) in the beginning of every financial year in respect of the instant Plan


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following all the rules, regulations, Schedule of Rates etc. issued from time to time by the State Government/ Forest Department. Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Ranchi shall supervise & closely monitor the progress of the activities undertaken by Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi Forest Division respectively as per the approved APO & funds released under CAMPA.

- (iv) That the Conservator of Forests, Ranchi Circle shall supervise all the activities as per directions issued by the Forest Department from time to time.
- (v) That the DFO, Ranchi Forest Division shall carry out the activities under the Plan strictly as per the duly sanctioned APO.
- (vi) That the DFO, Ranchi shall ensure that no violation of duly sanctioned Working Plan of their Forest Divisions takes place during implementation of any of the activities involved in this plan over notified and demarcated forest land.
- (vii) That the instant Plan is dynamic and be revisited after 5 years to assess its compatibility with mining and its concurrent reclamation activities and a revised Plan be formulated as per requirement.
- (viii) Though provision of a flat rate of 20% has been made towards cost escalation in the Plan viz. increase in wage rate/ material cost etc., yet the User Agency shall submit an undertaking to the Divisional Forest Officer, Ranchi to the effect that it will deposit extra cost of the Plan beyond the cost escalation provision owing to increase in wage rate etc. in due course of time as well as consequent upon revision in the plan, if any, as and when given effect to by the competent authority.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi


05.07.2024

Memo No.

dated

Copy forwarded to Deputy Director General of Forests (Central), Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Integrated Regional Office, Ranchi, Harmu Housing Colony, Ranchi [email: ro.ranchi-mef@gov.in] / Principal Chief Conservator of Forest-cum-Executive Director, Waste Land Development Board, Jharkhand, Ranchi / Additional PCCF, CAMPA along with a copy of the Plan, for information and necessary action.

Sd/-

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi

Memo No.

dated

Copy forwarded to Regional Chief Conservator of Forest, Ranchi / Conservator of Forest, Territorial Circle, Ranchi / DFO, Ranchi Forest Division for information and necessary action.

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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi

Memo No. 1718

dated 05.07.2024

Copy forwarded to M/s Central Coalfields Limited (CCL), Ranchi for information and necessary action.



05.07.2024

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi