

Site Inspection Report

I have inspected the proposed site on 02-06-2016, 3-01-2017 and 03-02-2017 for diversion of forest land for use of it as approach road from mining head of M.L.No.2547 from point A to H and I to L over an extent of 9.12 hectares, as shown in Map (Enclosed).

The extent of road shown as H-I lies within Mining Lease of Rama Rao Poal ML.No. 2621(Now C-category Mines) is deleted from the total extent of road for which Forest clearance is to be granted as it lies within other mining lease area. Also, the road width is taken as 6 meters wide only along the SMIORE road which is 6 meters in width is marked as J-K in Map.

The Proposed area is located in Ramgad Block Forest (Section-4 notified vide Notification No. FFD-29, FAF-84 Dated: 28.02.1985) in SandurTaluk, Bellary District, Karnataka.

The diversion area is an existing old road. However, in few stretch the alignment is changed and taken outside the mining lease boundary of ML.No 2296, in order to avoid the safety zone of mining lease being utilized for the approach road. The cutting of trees is required in this stretch marked on Map as points:-

1. B to C - 0.36 ha
2. D to E - 0.97 ha
3. F to G - 0.85 ha
4. I to J - 0.05 ha
5. J to K - 0.31 ha (Width is taken 6 meters, adjoining to Smiore road)

The number of trees to be cut is 260 in above mentioned stretch. The enumeration list is enclosed.

The proposed diversion area for approach road lies inside the forest area. The diversion area sought is existing old road already used by the user agency without approval under Forest (Conservation) Act-1980. Although the road is in use for a long time, the violation of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 may be regularized by levying a heavy penalty. Since, the approached road is essential for transport of mineral, the diversion of forest land is recommended.


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