

Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

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Office order No. 161 dated 14/11/2024

Sanction Order of the Site-Specific De-siltation Plan with reference to non-forestry use of 855.17 ha of forest land for Kotre-Basantpur-Pachmo Mining Project in favour of M/s Central Coalfields Limited in Ramgarh and Bokaro districts of Jharkhand

The instant De-siltation Plan has been formulated in compliance of one of the conditions laid by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India (MOEF&CC) vide F. No. 08-08/2022-FC dated 27th February, 2023 while according In-Principle/Stage-I approval under Section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for non-forestry use of 855.17 ha of forest land for Kotre-Basantpur-Pachmo Open Cast Mining Project in favour of M/s CCL. The said condition is being quoted hereunder.

Condition No. A-8: The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS coordinates located within five km from the mine lease boundary. The 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. It was informed by the User Agency that in compliance of the above mentioned condition, the instant De-siltation Plan has been prepared in consultation with the forest officials including DFO Ramgarh, DFO, Bokaro Forest Division, CF Territorial Circle, Bokaro and RCCF, Bokaro.

3. In the above stated background, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest-cum-Executive Director, Wasteland Development Board, Jharkhand, Ranchi forwarded the Plan to the office of the undersigned for its consideration for sanction.


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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. 1056 dated 23.04.2024 to arrange a Power-Point Presentation of the plan on 25.04.2024 in the conference hall of the undersigned. The presentation was made by the Project proponent in the presence of Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Bokaro, DFO, Ramgarh, and DFO, Bokaro Forest Division. Shri Kartik Sinha, KBP Mining Private Limited, Shri Abhay Kumar Sinha, KBP Mining Private Limited, Shri C. S. Tiwari, GM (Mining)/ HoD Forest, CCL HQ, Shri Y. Rajeshwar Reddy, KBP Mining Private Ltd. were also present during the presentation.

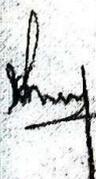
5. During the deliberations, it was informed that Kotre-Basantpur-Pachmo Open Cast Project (KBP OCP) is located in the vicinity of a number of existing as well as proposed mining projects and other ancillary industrial installations, viz. Tapin OCP, Tapin South OCP, Parej East OCP, Tata Steel, Kedla ECR OCP (proposed), Jharkhand Laiyo OCP (proposed), Jharkhand Laiyo OCP (Phase II; proposed), Gose Coal Block, Lalgarh Coal Block, Kedla Washery (proposed) and Tapin washery (proposed) etc. All these existing/proposed projects are located within 10 km buffer of KBP OCP so much so that some of these projects are located almost adjacent to the Project.

6. Various provisions of the proposed Plan viz. the drainage network in the Project Impact Area, Methodology adopted in the formulation of De-siltation Plan, the objectives of de-siltation measures etc. were discussed in detail. It was noted that after detailed survey of each and every village falling within the Impact Area particularly from the view point of the aforesaid objectives, various interventions have been proposed in the said Plan.

7. After deliberation on various provisions of the De-siltation Plan and the presentation, it was observed that

- (i) The Condition No. A-8 states that the list of existing village tanks and other water bodies needs to be duly verified by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer.

It was observed that the User Agency should get the said list duly verified by the concerned DFO and enclose it in the Plan document.


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- (ii) It was noted that the de-siltation process mentioned in the Plan stipulates that the de-siltation would be done in two cycles: first cycle would be carried out during the 1st year and second cycle would be carried out in the 10th year.

However, it was observed that as per Condition No. A-8 of the FC clearance, the User Agency needs to 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. After detailed discussion, it was decided that the de-siltation needs to be proposed to be carried out in four cycles: 1st cycle in first year, 2nd cycle in 4th year, 3rd cycle in 7th year, and 4th cycle in 10th year.

8. The User Agency then agreed to accordingly revise the Plan after incorporating the aforementioned observations.

9. The revised De-siltation Plan was submitted by RCCF, Bokaro vide letter No. 1981 dated 30.10.2024 which was reviewed by the office of the undersigned and it was found that all the observations have been duly incorporated in this revised Plan.

10. The cost of the proposed 10-year De-siltation Plan with respect to the activities to be carried out by the DFO, Bokaro and DFO, Ramgarh Forest Divisions has been estimated to be Rs. 14,67,08,210.00.

Total financial outlay of the De-siltation Plan is as below:

Name of Forest Division	Amount (in Rs.)
Ramgarh Forest Division	9,49,40,645.00
Bokaro Forest Division	5,17,67,565.00
Grand Total	14,67,08,210.00

11. The Plan with a total financial outlay of Rs. 14,67,08,210.00 extends over a period of 10 years and shall be utilized by the Forest Department through the DFO, Bokaro and DFO, Ramgarh Forest Divisions in accordance with the Plan prescriptions.


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12. Considering the proposals under the plan submitted by the User Agency and recommendation of DFO, Bokaro and DFO, Ramgarh and RCCF, Bokaro, 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. Rs. 14,67,08,210.00 (Rupees fourteen crore sixty seven lakh eight thousand two hundred and ten 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 respective DFOs 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, both the DFOs shall prepare a detailed Annual Plan of Operations (A/O) 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, Bokaro shall supervise & closely monitor the progress of the activities undertaken by Divisional Forest Officer, Ramgarh and Bokaro Forest Divisions as per the approved APO & funds released under CAMPA.
- (iv) That the Conservator of Forests, Bokaro shall supervise all the activities as per directions issued by the Forest Department from time to time.
- (v) That the DFO, Bokaro and DFO, Ramgarh Forest Division shall carry out the activities under the Plan strictly as per the duly sanctioned APO.
- (vi) That the DFOs shall ensure that no violation of duly sanctioned Working Plan of respective Forest Division takes place during implementation of


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any of the activities involved in this plan over notified and demarcated forest land.

- (vii) Though provision 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 respective Divisional Forest Officers 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,
Jharkhand, Ranchi

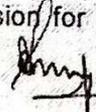
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Copy forwarded to Deputy Director General of Forests, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Regional Office, Ranchi, Harmu Housing Colony, Ranchi [email: ro.ranchi-mef@gov.in] / Principal Chief Conservator of Forest-cum-Executive Director, 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. 2834 dated 14.11.2024

Copy forwarded to Regional Chief Conservator of Forest, Boakro / Conservator of Forest, Bokaro / DFO, Bokaro / DFO, Ramgarh Forest Division for information and necessary action.


Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Jharkhand, Ranchi



कार्यालय:- वन प्रमंडल पदाधिकारी, रामगढ़ वन प्रमंडल, रामगढ़।

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पत्रांक:- 2219

दिनांक:- 27/11/24

सेवा में,

परियोजना पदाधिकारी,
कोतरे बसतपुर पचमो कोल माईन्स,
सी0सी0एल0, हजारीबाग क्षेत्र, चरही।

विषय :- सी0सी0एल0 की कोतरे बसतपुर पचमो कोल माईन्स परियोजना अन्तर्गत 505.02 हे0 वन भूमि अपयोजन प्रस्ताव के संबंध में।

प्रसंग:-

1. भारत सरकार, वन, पर्यावरण एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली का पत्रांक dated 27.02.2023
2. प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड, रांची का कार्यालय आदेश संख्या-161 दिनांक 14.11.2024 एवं ज्ञापांक-2834 दिनांक 14.11.2024
3. परियोजना पदाधिकारी, कोतरे बसतपुर पचमो कोल ब्लॉक का पत्रांक-361 दिनांक 17.10.2024

महाशय,

उपर्युक्त विषयक प्रसंगाधीन पत्र के संबंध में सूचित करना है कि सी0सी0एल0 की कोतरे बसतपुर पचमो कोल माईन्स परियोजना अन्तर्गत 505.02 हे0 वन भूमि अपयोजन प्रस्ताव को भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय के पत्र संख्या- 08-08/2022-FC दिनांक 27.02.2023 द्वारा प्रथम चरण की सशर्त स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई है। उक्त पत्र की कंडिका संख्या-A-8 के अनुसार "The User Agency shall prepare a list of existing village tanks and other water bodies with GPS coordinates located within five km from the mine lease boundary. The 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." प्रधान मुख्य वन संरक्षक, झारखण्ड, रांची के कार्यालय आदेश संख्या-161 दिनांक 14.11.2024 द्वारा कुल 9,49,40,645.00 रुपये Site specific De-siltation Plan के तहत स्वीकृति प्रदान की गई है।

अतः शर्त संख्या- A-8 के अनुपालन के क्रम में राशि की गणना करते हुए मांग पत्र निम्नवत् है:-

क्र० सं०	मांग विवरणी	प्रमंडल का नाम	राशि (रूपये में)
1	शर्त सं०- A-8 के अनुसार (As per approved Plan)	Ramgarh	9,49,40,645.00
Total=			9,49,40,645.00

अतः अनुरोध है वांछित राशि परिवेश पोर्टल पर Challan Generate करते कैम्पा लेखा में जमा किया जाय तथा सूचना इस कार्यालय को उपलब्ध कराया जाय। साथ ही भविष्य में राशि मे परिवर्तन होने पर अन्तर राशि आपके द्वारा जमा की जाएगी, जिसके लिए आपके स्तर से वचनबद्धता अपेक्षित है।

आपका विश्वासी,

Hitesh
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वन प्रमंडल पदाधिकारी,
रामगढ़।



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

ज्ञापांक-2424

दिनांक- 21/11/2024

प्रतिलिपि :- महाप्रबंधक, सी0सी0एल0, कोतरे बसंतपुर पंचमो खुली खदान परियोजना को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु प्रेषित। अनुरोध है कि पत्र में उल्लेखित Stage-II के शर्त सं0-5 (De-Siltation Plan) की स्वीकृत राशि यथाशीघ्र CAMPA खाता में जमा करते हुए इस कार्यालय को प्रतिवेदन शीघ्र समर्पित करें।

वन प्रमण्डल पदाधिकारी,
बोकारो वन प्रमण्डल, बोकारो।

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