## JUSTIFICATION FOR LOCATING THE PROJECT IN FOREST AREA

The mining lease area over 69.606 hect (Forest area 67.352 Ha) is located in villages Raikela, Bahamba & Tensa, Taluka - Bonai Block-Barsuan of Sundargarh district, Orissa of M/s Chandi Prasad Sharma under Tensa P. S. of Sundargarh District, Odisha. Geographical location of deposit and its quality in demand always determine the location of mining/quarrying activities. Occurence of mineral deposit is always site specific and there is no option to change the location. Iron ore within the area occurs entirely in forest land. For its systematic and planned exploitation, taking into account the principles of mineral conservation, it is required that the mining and ancillary activities shall be located on land classified under various categories of forest within the granted lease area.

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