

JUSTIFICATION

MOIL is a Central PSU, under Ministry of Steel , Govt. of India is presently operating 11 Mines in the State of Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh, out of which 4 mines located in the Madhya Pradesh and 7 mines in the state of Maharashtra. Dongri Buzurg mine is located in Tumsar Tashil, Bhandara District , Maharashtra State. Govt. of Maharashtra has granted the mining lease over an area of 53.98 Ha. for a period up to 30.06.2022. Out of 53.98 ha., which consists of Revenue land 18.86, Private land 0.69 and Forest land 34.43 Ha.

MoEF, Regional Office, Bhopal has granted the formal approval of diversion of forest land for mining activity vide letter no. 8-9/2000-FC, dtd. 20.05.2002. MOIL has carried out exploration work over the entire area by total 4 bore holes out of which 2 bore holes within in forest land and 2 bore holes are within non forest land area. MOIL has calculated balance reserves of 0.0682 Million tones within the area which will be excavated by opencast mining in near future. As the area contains adequate ore reserves for mining, hence it is proposed to apply for renewal of diversion of forest area in Form-B, which is attached herewith.