



**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
INDIAN BUREAU OF MINES
MCCM CENTRAL ZONE**

Nagpur, the 15th April, 2013

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To,
M/s Tata Steel Ltd.,
Mines Division, P.O. Noamundi,
Distt West Singhbhum,
Jharkhand - 833217.

Subject:- Approval of Scheme of Mining alongwith Progressive Mine Closure Plan in respect of Katamati iron ore mining lease of M/s Tata Steel Ltd., over an area of 403.3238 ha in Keonjhar district of Odisha State submitted under Rule 12 of MCDR, 1988.

Ref:- 1) Your letter No. MD/PL/1035/194/2012 dated 18/09/2012.
2) This office letter of even number dated 14/02/2013.
3) Your letter No. MD/PL/194/87/13 dated 14/03/2013.

Sir,

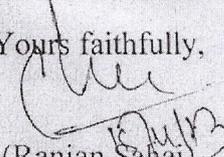
In exercise of the powers conferred by sub rule (4) of Rule 12 of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules 1988 I hereby **approve** the Scheme of Mining including Progressive Mine Closure Plan of Katamati iron ore mining lease of M/s Tata Steel Ltd., over an area of 403.3238 ha in Keonjhar district of Odisha State submitted under Rule 12 of MCDR, 1988. This approval is subject to the following conditions: -

- i) This Scheme of Mining is approved without prejudice to any other laws applicable to the mine/area from time to time whether made by the Central Government, State Government or any other authority.
- ii) It is clarified that this approval of Scheme of mining does not, in any way, imply the approval of the Government in terms of any other provisions of the Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 or the Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 and any other laws including the Forest Conservation Act, 1980, Environment (protection) Act 1986 and the rules made there under.
- iii) It is further clarified that this approval of Scheme of mining is subject to the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, Forest Conservation Rules, 1981, and other relevant statutes/orders and guidelines as may be applicable to the lease area from time to time.
- iv) The provisions of Mines Act, 1952 and Rules and Regulations made there under including submission of notice of opening, appointment of Manager and other statutory officials as required by the Mines Act, 1952 shall be complied with.
- v) The execution of Scheme of Mining shall be subjected to vacations of prohibitory orders/notices, if any.
- vi) The Scheme of mining is approved without prejudice to any other order or direction from the court of competent jurisdiction.
- vii) The approval of mining operations and associated activities is restricted to the mining lease area only and also within the diverted area by the competent authorities of forest department till the requisite permission is granted by such authorities in additional areas as proposed in the document. The mining lease area is as shown on the statutory plans under Rule 28 of Mineral Conservation and Development Rules 1988, by the

- lessee / RQP/ applicant and Indian Bureau of Mines has not undertaken verification of the mining lease boundary on the ground.
- (iii) If anything is found to be concealed as required by the Mines Act in the content of the Scheme of Mining and the proposals for rectification has not been made, the approval shall be deemed to have been withdrawn with immediate effect.
 - (x) At any stage, if it is observed that the information furnished in the document are incorrect or misleading or wrong, the approval of the document shall be revoked with immediate effect.
 - (x) The approval of Scheme of mining is subject to the compliance of CCOM's Circular No. 2/2010 regarding Geo-referenced cadastral map within 6 months from the date of approval failing which the approval of the document shall be deemed to have been withdrawn with immediate effect.
 - (xi) Yearly report as required under rule 23E (2) of MCDR, '88 setting forth the extent of protection and rehabilitation works carried out as envisaged in the approved progressive mine closure plan and if there is any deviations, reasons thereof shall be submitted before 1st July of every year to the Regional Office, IBM, Bhubaneshwar.
 - (xii) Your attention is invited to the Supreme Court interim order in W.P.(C) No.202 dated 12-12-96 for compliance. The approval of scheme of mining is, therefore, issued without prejudice to and is subject to the said directions of the Supreme Court as applicable.
 - (xiii) A copy of Environment Impact Assessment-Environment Management Plan (EIA-EMP) as approved by MOEF (Ministry of Environment & Forest) shall be submitted to IBM immediately after approval by MOEF.
 - (xiv) The Environmental Monitoring Cell established by the company shall continue monitoring ambient air quality, dust-fall rate, water quality, soil sample analysis and noise level measurements at various stations established for the purpose both in the core zone and buffer zone as per requirement of Environment Guidelines and keeping in view IBM's circular No. 3/92 & 2/93 season wise every year by engaging the services of an Environmental Laboratory approved by MOEF/CPCB. The data so generated shall be maintained in a bound paged register kept for the purpose and the same shall be made available to the inspecting officer, on demand.
 - (xv) This approval is restricted in respect of proposal given in the document for the period 2013-14 to 2017-18 with validity upto 31/03/2018 and from the date of approval.
 - (xvi) The financial assurance submitted by you for Rs 50,09,500/- (Fifty lakh nine thousand five hundred only) is valid upto scheme period and next financial assurance shall be submitted on or before 31/03/2018.
 - (xvii) The next Scheme of Mining will be due for submission on 01/12/2017.
 - (xviii) If any comments are received from the State Govt. then the necessary action as per comments shall be taken immediately.

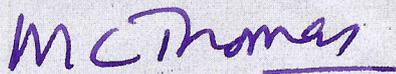
Encl :- One copy of approved
Scheme of Mining

Yours faithfully,


(Ranjan Sahai)

Controller of Mines (CZ)

**FOR AND ON BEHALF OF
TATA STEEL LIMITED
BY THEIR CONSTITUTED ATTORNEY**


M. C. THOMAS

Copy for information to :-

- 1) The Director of Mines Safety, Directorate General of Mines Safety, Chaibasa Region, P.O. Chaibasa-833 201, Dist. West Singhbhum, Jharkhand, alongwith a copy of approved Scheme of Mining.
- 2) The Director of Mining, Directorate of Mining & Geology, Government of Odisha, Head of the Department Building, New Capital, Bhubaneswar 751 001 Odisha alongwith one copy of approved scheme of mining.
- 3) Shri Pankaj Srivastava, Key Person- M/s Tata Steel Ltd, RQP, P.O. Noamundi, Distt West Singhbhum, Jharkhand – 833217.

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