

Department of Steel & Mines

Government of Orissa

No.III(G)SM-70/2000-

/ SM. Bhubaneswar, the

PROCEEDINGS

Sub:- Grant of Mining lease in the district of Jajpur.

Read:- Application presented on 8.1.1992 by M/s. Industrial Development Corporation of Orissa Ltd. for grant of Mining lease for Chromite over an area of 585.00 Acres or 236.74 hec. In village-Tailangi in the district of Cuttack (now Jajpur).

ORDER:

Whereas, the Govt. of India in their letter No.5 (37)/92-MV. Dt.14.12.92 have conveyed their approval under section 5 (1) of M & M (D & R) Act 1957 on grant of mining lease for Chromite over an area of 221.22 hec. in village Tailangi of Jajpur Dist in favor of M/s IDC Ltd. for a period of 20 years subject to approval of Government of India in Ministry of Environment and Forest for diversion of forest land over 158.921 hec. under FC Act 1980 before execution of the mining lease;

Whereas, M/s IDC have not obtained forest clearance over the entire forest area involved, pending grant of mining lease State Government had allowed them to work over the non-forest portion of the area under agency ship as per erstwhile rule 75(2) of M.C. Rules 1960 on payment of agency fee @Rs226/-per M.T. in addition to usual royalty ;

Whereas, M/s IDC were asked in this Deptt letter No 9529/SM dt.21/8/2000 to accept the terms and conditions under which the mining lease was proposed for grant and the party in their letter no 140(III) /7200 dt.24/8/2000 accepted the same;

Whereas, the grant Proceeding No 9761/SM dt.26/8/2000 was issued granting the ML over 221.22 hec. in favour of M/s IDC Ltd for a period of 20 years subject to condition laid down in the Steel and Mines Dept. Letter no 9529/SM dt.21/8/2000;

Whereas, M/s IDC Ltd have obtained approval of MOEF over an area of 17.483 hec. only out of the forest area of 158.921 hec. and in order to continue mining operation, M/s IDC Ltd have come up with a proposal vide their letter no.663 dt.1/2/2002, requesting the Government for issue of two separate grant orders in respect

of two blocks consisting, one block comprising of non-forest land along with forest land cleared by Government of India MOEF and the other block comprising of only forest land for which clearance of MOEF has not been received;

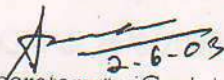
Whereas, the Director of Mines, Orissa, was requested in letter No .1125/SM dt.5/2/2002 to examine the proposal of IDC Ltd and furnish his views. Director of Mines Orissa in his letter no 8781dt.25/9/2002 has reported that, the area proposed by IDC Ltd comprising 17483 hecets. of forest land for mining, 3.390 hecets. of forest land towards safety zone and 44.810 hecets of non forest land from the aforesaid area form a compact block of 65.683 hecets and the rest of the area which splits into three more blocks comprising 4.383 hecets 9.364 hecets and 141.790 hecets adjoining to one another requires clearance of MOEF.

Whereas, the Director of Mines has clarified in his above mentioned letter dt 25/9/2002 that there is no such restriction in M&M (D&R) Act 1957 and MC Rules 1960 to grant mining lease in two or more separate blocks when they are compact and contiguous and accordingly recommended to the Government for grant of ML over 65.683 hecets, in favour of M/s IDC for early execution of ML and continuance of mining operation;

Whereas, since Rule 75(2) of MC Rule 1960 regarding agency ship for working mines has been omitted with effect from 4/1/99 and Government of India is pressing hard to discontinue the practice of allowing mining operation on agency ship;

Therefore, keeping in view the above reasons, in supersession of the previous grant Proceeding No. 9761/SM dt.26/8/2000, the State Government after careful consideration are hereby pleased to order for grant of mining lease for Chromite in respect of an area of 65.683 hecets. in one block, and 155.537 hecets in three separate blocks in village Tailangi of Jajpur District in favour of M/s IDCOL for a period of 20 years subject to the condition laid down in this Department letter No 9529 SM dt. 21/8/2000. The party should comply all the terms and conditions including furnishing of surveyed map and description over the area of 65.683 hecets, within 3 months from the date of issue of the order to the Collector, Jajpur for early execution of the same and to take necessary steps for obtaining clearance from Government of India, MOEF in respect of the other three blocks comprising of 155.537 hecets,

By Orders of the Governor.


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Joint Secretary to Govt.