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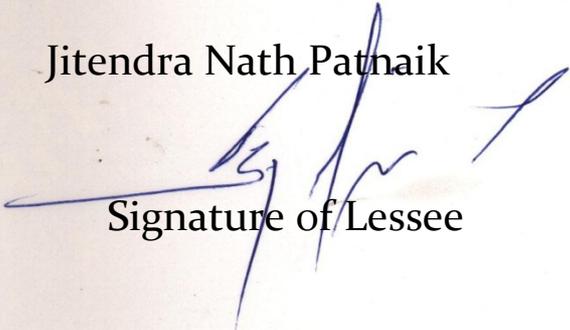
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**Justification for locating the project in the forest land**

Mining of a particular ore deposit is always site specific irrespective of the land classification. Bhanjapali Iron ore Mines cover an area of 18.00 ha out of which 12.565 ha comprises of forest land. The mine planning is mainly located in the forest areas. When the lease was granted in 1996, the total lands involved in the lease were non forest. But later on two of the leased our plots have been included in the forest category. As per forest conservation Act 1980 and Rules, 2003 it is mandatory to obtain prior permission of MoEF & CC to use forest land for non-forestry purposes (mining). Therefore the proposal is submitted for necessary approval.

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Signature of Lessee