THE SINGARENI COLLIERIES COMPANY LIMITED

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ANo. : Naini Area/GMO/FDP/2022/463

Dt: 13.09.2022

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The Divisional Forest Officer Angul Forest Division

Sir,

Sub:- F(C)Act- Diversion of 783.275 ha of forest land in Chhendipada Range, Angul Division for Naini Coal Block (Open Cast), in favor of Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd.,(SCCL)- submission of compliance on EDS raised by the MoEF & CC, request for transmitting it to the MOEF & CC, GOI, through the State Government-Reg.

Ref: 1) Proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/30980/2017

2) MOEF &CC, MOEF, GOI, File No. 8-01/2020-FC Dt 28.07.2021

3) The PCCF, Odisha Letter No.21911/9f (MG) -380/2019 Dt. 17.12. 2021

4) The MoEF & CC Letter File No. 8-01/2020-FC Dtd 31.08.2022

5) THE CCF & NO, Odisha Memo No. 17352/9F(MG)-380/2019 Dtd 06.09.2022

6) The DFO, Angul Forest Div. Letter No. 6389/79/DRP/2020 Dated 08.09.2022

It is brought to the kind notice that the MOEF & CC, GOI, vide reference 2nd cited has accorded Stage I approval for diversion of 783.275 ha of forest land in Chhendipada Range of Angul Division, in favor of M/s Singareni Collieries Co. Ltd., for taking up coal mining by open cast method.

In this connection, reference to the letter 4th cited, it is informed that the Ministry has taken decision to obtain the undertaking from SCCL on stamp paper stating the following:

- i. Non-forest area of equivalent in size to the diverted forest area shall be made available and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department out of the area available immediately after the closure and rehabilitation of mines of M/s SCCL from 2027-28 (or earlier) onwards, as per the schedule intimated by M/s SCCL vide their letter no. CMD/PS/H/129 dt. 29.09.2020.
- ii. The non-forest land will be duly transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before its handing over to the State Forest Department; and
- iii. In the event of non-compliance of above conditions, the Stage II approval shall be revoked.

Further it is also advised to provide the details of the NFL proposed to be given in the matter.

Accordingly, an Undertaking in the Stamp Paper along with the details of the land proposed (794.63 HA) for mutation in the year 2027-28 in favour of the state Forest Department is enclosed herewith in compliance to the decision of the Ministry.

The plan (hard copies) and the KML files (in CD) of the land proposed for handing over to the State Forest Department, Telangana is enclosed herewith.

Further, vide letter No. CRP/EST/F/7000/948 dated 12.09.2022, The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoEE, Forest Department, Telangana State has also been informed regarding handing over of the 794.63 ha of land to the State Forest Department in lieu of diversion of 783.275 ha forest land for Naini coal mine. The acknowledged copy of the letter is enclosed herewith for kind reference.

Hence, it is requested to kindly submit the compliance report to the MOEF &CC, GOI at the earliest, through the State Government, along with suitable recommendation for the project for issue of the Stage-II clearance to enable the SCCL to ground the project as early as possible.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully,

The Singareni Collieries Co.

(A Govt. Company) Naini Area, Angul, Geisha-758122

Encl:

- 1. Undertaking
- 2. Copy of the letter to PCCF & HoFF, Forest Dept., Telangana State
- 3. KML files of the land proposed for handing over to the State Forest Department, TS

Copy submitted:

- 1- The Inspector General of Forests (FC), Ministry of Environment, Forests, and Climate Change, Government of India, New Delhi, for favor of information and suitable orders.
- 2- Additional Chief Secretary, Forest, Environment & Climate Change, Government of Odisha for favor of information.
- 3- The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Odisha for favor of information.
- 4- The Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (FC), Odisha, for favor of information
- 5- The Regional Chief Conservator of Forests, Angul, for favor of information.

Yours faithfully,

General Manager

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It is submitted that the Ministry of Coal, Government of India, vide allotment order No. 103/21/2015/NA dated 13.08.2015 allotted Naini Coal Mine to the Singareni Collieries Company Ltd. (SCCL) for Captive use of coal at Singareni Thermal Power Plant (STPP), Jaipur, Mancherial, Telangana (End use Plant).

The MOEF & CC, GOI, vide Letter File No. 8-01/2020-FC Dt 28.07.2021 accorded Stage I approval for diversion of 783.275 ha of forest land within Naini coal mine in Chhendipada Range of Angul Division, in favor of SCCL for taking up coal mining by open cast method.

The SCCL complied with all the stipulations made in the Stage-I approval and deposited the required amount as per demand notice issued by the Forest Department. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer (F.C Act), vide Letter No.21911/9f (MG) -380/2019 Dt. 17.12.2021 forwarded the compliance report to the conditions stipulated in Stage-I, to the MOEF &CC, GOI. Subsequently, SCCL has also submitted the compliances through the State Government for the EDS raised by the MOEF & CC, GOI in this matter.

The MoEF & CC vide File No. 8-01/2020-FC dated 30th Aug,2022, has raised EDS asking State Government to obtain undertaking from SCCL on Stamp Paper with respect to the commitment given by SCCL vide letter No. CMD/PS/H/129 Dt 29.09.2020 for handing over the Non-Forest land (rehabilitated overburden dumps after progressive mine cost of SCCL Mines from 2027-28 onwards to the State Forest Department after completing progressive mine closure activities). The point wise submissions to the EDS made is as follows;

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Point No. (i):

Non-forest area of equivalent in size to the diverted forest area shall be made available and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department out of the area available immediately after the closure and rehabilitation of mines of M/s SCCL from 2027-28 (or earlier) onwards, as per the schedule intimated by M/s SCCL vide their letter no. CMD/PS/H/129 dt. 29.09.2020.

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Reply:

SCCL hereby undertakes to make available, non-forest area in the projects after closer of Mines and rehabilitation completed from 2027-28 onwards as furnished in the table below and mutate the same in favour of the State Forest Department. The proposed area is equivalent in size to the diverted area. The KML files of the area proposed for transfer is enclosed in the CD. All these lands are belonging to the Singareni Collieries Company Limited.

The Board of M/s SCCL in its 558th meeting held on 25.09.2021 accorded approval for mutation of Non- Forest Land equivalent to the size of diverted Forest Land to the State Govt. after closer and rehabilitation of Mines of M/s SCCL (This undertaking was also submitted). The Board of the Singareni Collieries Company Limited consists of Special Chief Secretary, Energy Dept. Govt. of Telangana, Special Chief Secretary, Finance Dept. of Govt. of Telangana, Director, MoC, Dy. Director, MoC as Representatives of GoI besides the functional Directors of SCCL, under the Chairmanship of Chairman & Managing Director of SCCL.

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1	Jawahar khani -5 OC (External/Internal dump) of SCCL.	Bhadradri- Kothagudem	212.19	2027-28	
2	Kakatiya khani OC Sector- II (External Dump) of SCCL	Jayashankar- Bhupalapally	186.68	2027-28	
3	Ravindrakhani OCP(External Dump) of SCCL	Mancherial	265.98	2027-28	
4	Jalagam Vengala Rao OCP (I&II Expansion) (External dump) of SCCL	Khammam	129.78	2027-28	
	Total		794.63		

Point No. (ii): The non-forest land will be duly transferred and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department before its handing over to the State Forest Department;

Reply: The SCCL hereby undertakes to mutate the non-forest land in favour of State Forest Department before handing over the land to the State Forest Department.

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Point No. (iii): In the event of non-compliance of above conditions, the Stage II approval shall be revoked.

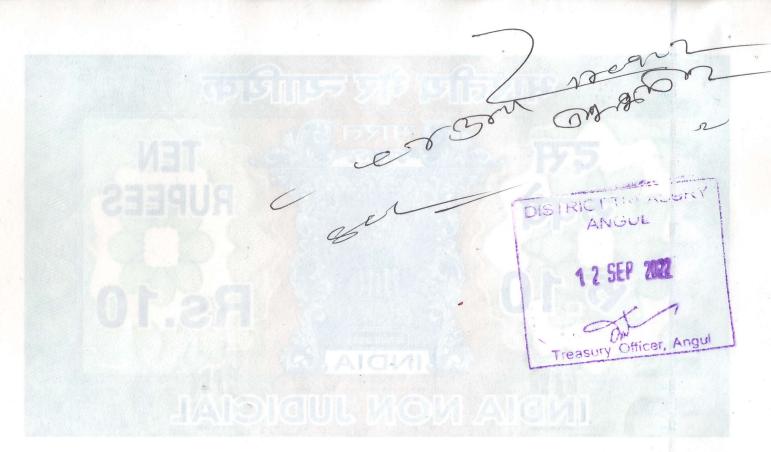
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Reply:

The SCCL understands that the consequences of non-compliance and accordingly, comply with the above and agrees to revocation of stage-II approval in the event of non compliance of the above condition.

Authorized Signatory General Manager The Singereni Collieries Co. Ltd. (A Govt. Company) Haini Area, Angul, Odisha-759122

Place: Angul Date: 13.09.2022



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Ref: - CRP/EST/F/700/948

Date: 12 .09.2022

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & (Head of Forest Force) Forest Department, Telangana, Aranya Bhavan Saifabad, Hyderabad-500004

Sir,

F(C) Act, 1980 - Diversion of 783.275 ha of forest land in favour of M/s Sub:-Singareni Collieries Company for Naini OC Mining Project in Angul Forest Division of District Angul (Odisha) - intimation regarding handing over of equivalent size of Non forest rehabilitated dumps as per the condition imposed in Stage-I by the MoEF&CC, GoI, in Telangana

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Ref:- 1. CPSU status MOEF lr. F.No.11-423/2011-FC,dtd.31.01.2013

2. SCCL Lr.No. CMD/PS/H/129 dt. 29.09.2020.

- 3. MoEF&CC, GoI F.No 8-01/2020-FC, dated 28.07.2021
- 4. MoEF&CC, GOI, F.NO. 8-01/2020-FC, dated 30.08.2022.

Kind attention is invited to the subject and references cited. It is to bring to your notice that vide letter 1st cited, the MOEF, GOI, has granted CPSU status to SCCL for the purpose of Compensatory Afforestation. Later, the MOEF&CC, GOI has revised guidelines. According to that guidelines, Compensatory Afforestation in degraded Forest land is only favoured to the Central Government agencies/ Central PSUs.

During course of FAC meetings for diversion of RF land for Naini project in Odisha, it has been advised to identify degraded forest land which is not notified as RF and not under control of Forest Department. The SCCL has requested the MoEF & CC, GoI, to accept payment towards raising the CA in degraded forest lands in double extent as the grounding of these two projects required immediately to sustain the targeted production and SCCL will provide equal extent of non-forest land of rehabilitated over burden of SCCL's mines after they get closed.

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Further, vide reference 2nd cited, The SCCL has informed the MoEF & CC, GoI, that after closing of ongoing mines, the non-forest land after rehabilitation can be handed over to the Forest department towards CA purpose in equal extent of RF land being diverted which can be notified as RF. This will compensate the loss of forest areas. The SCCL mines will start getting closed from 2023 onwards totalling to 19870 Ha of non-forest land Details of land that can be handed over year wise is as follows

Sl. No Year		Extent of Non forest land available after post closure of Mines (Ha.)		
1	2027-28	3033		
2	2032-33	1699		
2		4600		
3	2037-38	4691		
4	2042-43			
5	2062-63	2225		
6	2065-66	3623		
Total		19871		

Accordingly, the MoEF & CC, GoI, considered payment of CA charges for raising CA in double the extent in degraded Forest Land for Naini Coal Mine and to hand over equal extent of non-RF land from 2027 onwards. Accordingly, while granting Stage-I vide reference 3^{rd} cited, imposed a condition No. B – 3 as follows:

In addition to the proposed CA, non-forest area equivalent in size to the diverted forest area shall be made available and mutated in favour of the State Forest Department out of the area available immediately after the closure and rehabilitation of mines of M/s SCCL from 2027-28 (or earlier) onwards, as already intimated by M/s SCCL vide their letter no. CMD/PS/H/129 df, 29.09.2020.

As per the conditions imposed in the Stage-I, the SCCL has submitted its Board approval vide Minute No.558:5:18 to make available non forest land equivalent in size to the diverted forest area and mutate in favour of state forest department out of the area immediately available after completing the mine closure activities and rehabilitation of the land after taking requisite approvals from the state government.

The MoEF & CC, GOI, vide reference 4th cited, has requested an undertaking from the SCCL on stamp paper regarding non forest land proposed to be handed over in equivalent size of 783.275 Ha after closure and rehabilitation of Mines of SCCL from 2027-28 and also requested to provide details of the NFL proposed to be given for the said diversion. (Copy enclosed.)

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Accordingly, SCCL has identified non forest rehabilitated areas (that will be rehabilitated after mine closure) at following places and which will be handover to the state Forest department in lieu of diversion of 783.275 Ha. of Naini Coal Mine.

SI. No	Name of project-NFL identified	District of Area	Area in Ha	Year of mutation.
1	Javahar khani OC- 5(External/Internal dump) of SCCL.	Bhadradri- Kothagudem	212.19	2027-28
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	Total		794.63	

After completion of mine closure and rehabilitation, these lands will be mutated in favor of the Forest Department, Telangana, from 2027-28 onwards. This is submitted for favor of information.

Yours faithfully,

& Projects) Director N. BALRAM, IRS 00 DIREC's 4 (minance) & DIRECTOR (Planning & Projects) The Singareni Collieries Co.Ltd., Kottiacudem Collieries PO 507 101 Bras that is solt regulern Dist. T.S.

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The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Environment, Forest, Science, Science & Chnology Department, Telangana, for favor of information. orests

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Odisha, Bhubaneshwar, for S favor of information.

The Nodal Officer (FC), Forest Department of Odisha, Bhubaneshwar, for favor of information.

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