

No. M1/MNG/MECL/Survey/2017-18

Office of the  
Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Ballari Division, Ballari.  
Dated: 19.02.2018.

To,  
The Chief Conservator of Forests,  
Ballari Circle, Ballari  
Sir,

Sub : Forest Clearance proposal seeking prior approval of Central Government under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for prospecting of mineral exploration in respect of RMML (ML No 2010)NEB Rang, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District infavour of M/s. Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, Nagpur

- Ref : 1) Online application No. FP/KA/MRL/9/2017 dated: 26.12.2017  
2) Online proposal received from The Nodal officer and Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation), Bengaluru on 26.12.2017.  
3) Letter No. 111/CD/14-02(22-5)/RMML/2018 Dated:03.02.2018 of the Head of Department, (B D & Commercial), Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, Nagpur,  
4) Letter No. RFO/SNR/M.L.No.2010/2017-18 dated: 15.02.2018 of Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari Sub-Division, Ballari.

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With reference to the above subject, M/s. Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, Nagpur has submitted proposal for prospecting of mineral exploration in respect of RMML (ML No 2010) NEB Range, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District, Karnataka in favour of Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, Nagpur over an extent of 325.74 ha vide online proposal No. FP/KA/MRL/9/2017 dated: 26.12.2017 through Form-C of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (Forest Conservation), Bengaluru has scrutinized and forwarded the same in the online portal. The user agency has submitted hard copy of the proposal to this office vide reference (2).

Accordingly, this office directed to user agency and copy marked to Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari and Range Forest Officer, Sandur North Range to submit the complete proposal for prospecting of mineral exploration in respect of RMML (ML No 2010) NEB Range, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District, Karnataka in favour of Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, Nagpur over an extent of 325.74 ha. The Assistant Conservator of Forests, Ballari Sub-Division, Ballari has submitted the report vide letter at reference (4).

I have inspected the said proposed area on 18.02.2018, proposed forest area falls in North Eastern Block, Sandur North Range, which is having Eco- class III, Southern Dry Deciduous Forest and the same area marked in topo-sheet, the exploration works involves drilling of 33 boreholes and no felling of trees required. The location of boreholes are verified alongwith topo-sheet sketch and GPS readings on ground. The proposed project area is 5.19 km away from the Daroji Bear Sanctuary.

Hence, I am submitting the proposal with following documents for prospecting of mineral exploration in respect of RMML (ML No 2010) North Eastern Block, Sandur Taluk, Bellary District, Karnataka in favour of Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, Nagpur over an extent of 325.74 ha.

1. Form-C.
2. Permission letter for Preliminary Exploration of iron ore Resource from Competent Authority i.e. Department of Mines & Geology.
3. Map showing the details of protected area in 10 km radius from the boundary of area proposed for Preliminary Exploration for iron ore Resource.
4. Bare minimum area requirement certificate.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully

Sd/-

Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Bellary Division, Bellary.

1. Copy submitted to the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Forest Conservation), Bengaluru for kind information.
2. Copy submitted to the Director, Mines & Geology Department, Bengaluru for kind information.
3. Copy to the Head of Department, (B D & Commercial), Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, Nagpur for information.

  
Deputy Conservator of Forests,  
Bellary Division, Bellary