

To,
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Forest Force),
Aranya Bhavan,
Bengaluru.

Sir,

Sub:-Proposal for preliminary exploration for iron ore resource in block 13/1 (South) of Ramanamalai Block in Sandur North Range in Ballari District in favour of M/s Deputy Director General, Geological Survey of India, Karnataka & Goa, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bengaluru – reg.

Ref:-1)Online application No.FP/KA/MRL/3/2017 dated:10-10-2017.
2)Letter No.M1/MNG/GSI/Survey/2017-18 dated:02-12-2017 of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari.


In light of the directions issued by your goodself in the online portal application of Deputy Director General Geological Survey of India, Karnataka & Goa, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bengaluru, cited under reference (1) supra, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari Division, Ballari in his letter (2) cited above has submitted the proposal seeking permission for preliminary exploration for iron ore resource over an extent of 66.91 ha in Ramanamalai Block (in block 13/1 (South)) of Sandur North Range in Ballari District under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

On going, through the self contained report submitted by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari, the following the facts are brought to your kind notice for taking further needful action in the matter.

1. After scrutinizing the online proposal of the above user agency and forwarding the same in the online portal, the user agency has submitted hard copy of the proposal to the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari, for further processing of the proposal.
2. Accordingly, the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari, has inspected the proposed forest land on 01-12-2017 and reported that the applied area is coming under the purview of Ramanamalai Block in Sandur North Range which is comprising of southern dry deciduous forest and falling in Eco-Class-III category of forest.
3. It is also reported that this proposed exploration works involved drilling of 16 bore holes and there is no necessity for cutting of any trees. The exact of location of bore holes area are verified with the help of GPS readings on the ground.

In view of the above and based on the recommendations made by the Deputy Conservator of Forests, Ballari, I am submitting herewith the proposal for seeking permission for preliminary exploration for iron ore resource over an extent of 66.91 ha in Ramanamalai Block (in block 13/1 (South)) of Sandur North Range in Ballari District under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, in favour of Deputy Director General, Geological Survey of India, Karnataka & Goa, Kumaraswamy Layout, Bengaluru, for taking further needful action in the matter.

Yours faithfully


Chief Conservator of Forests,
Ballari Circle, Ballari.