Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Forest Conservation Division)

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road, Aliganj, New Delhi: 1100 03, Dated: Oct, 2022

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The Additional Chief Secretary (Forests), Forest, Ecology & Environment Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

Sub: Transfer of lease No.2552 over an extent of 134.00 hectare of forest land in Donimalai Forest Block, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District as per Rule – 37 of MCR 1960 from Sri M Srinivasalu to M/s. Shree Gavisiddeshwara Minerals, Bangalore. –regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Karnataka's letter No. FEE 12 FFM 2021 dated 30.07.2021 and 05.08.2022 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government for transfer of lease from Sri M Srinivasalu to M/s. Shree Gavisiddeshwara Minerals, in accordance with Section-2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. In this regard, it is informed that the matter was discussed in the Forest Advisory Committee (FAC) in its meeting held on 21.09.2022. The detailed minutes of the said FAC meeting is uploaded in the parivesh.nic.in. After through deliberation, the FAC decided that the proposal for transfer of lease was deferred till the State govt. identify and submit the CA land as per conditions (condition no. 1 (i) & (iv)) of the Stage-I approval letter dt 13.09.2006) for further consideration. In addition, the mining and allied activity shall continue to be in abeyance in the instant proposal till decision in the matter.

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to the needful as per the decision of FAC and submit the compliance to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy To:-

- 1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
- 2. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, MoEF&CC, Bangalore.
- 3. The Nodal Officer (FCA), Forest Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.