

F. No. 8-537/1988-FC(pt.)
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
(Forest Conservation Division)

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New Delhi-110 003,
Dated: 18th March, 2019

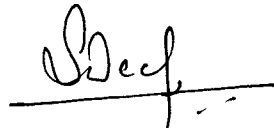
To,
The Principal Secretary (Forests)
Department of Forest and Environment,
Government of Jharkhand,
Ranchi.

Sub: Diversion of 247.50 ha of forest land from already leased 1936.06 ha of Kiriburu-Meghahatuburu group for Iron Ore Mining of M/s. Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) in West Singhbhum district of Jharkhand

Sir,

I am directed to refer to Government of Jharkhand's letter No. 3-VAN BHOOMI-29/2008-4590 dated 08.11.2018 forwarding compliance on the Ministry's letter of even number dated 26.06.2018. After examination of the said compliance, the following observation are made:

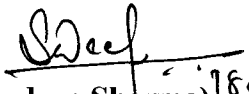
- (i) In compliance to Condition No. 22 of Stage-I clearance regarding surrendering equal extent of area duly reclaimed and afforested from the already diverted forest areas, it may clarify as to whether 83.25 Ha has been reclaimed as approved Modified Mining Plan, 2015 by the IBM.
- (ii) A copy of CD containing the Shape file/ KML file as per approved Management Plan for Sustainable Mining (MPSM) of Saranda & Chaibasa Forest Division is being provided with a request to furnish the exact status of all forest compartments falls in the Lease area including Compartment no. KP-29 & KP-27 with a clarification whether the referred compartments are falling under Mining Zone or Conservation Zone based on ground truthing/ site visit. The CD containing the Shape file for the exact area of Forest compartments may also be given.
- (iii) Out of 499.95 ha area identified for CA, an area of 140 Ha is found under Moderately Dense Forest (MDF) with a slight encroachment of Agricultural land, which may not be suitable for CA plantation. Therefore, the State Government may be requested to revise the CA sites in lieu of MDF area 140 ha. and submit with their suitability along with Shape file/ KML file.
- (iv) As per the records the user agency had deposited Rs 1601155950/- towards NPV. The State Government may clarify whether the admissible NPV for entire forest area under instant lease have been deposited.


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- (v) A certificate from the Government of Jharkhand may be provided indicating that the proposal is in accordance with the approved MPSM.

In view of above, the State Government of Jharkhand may be requested to furnish the information/ documents for the points indicated above for further consideration of the proposal.

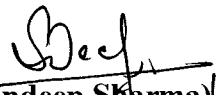
Yours faithfully,


(Sandeep Sharma) 18.3.15

Assistant Inspector General of Forests (FC)

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1. The PCCF, Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
2. The Addl. PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Ranchi.
3. The Addl. PCCF-cum-Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Jharkhand, Ranchi.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi, for uploading.
6. Guard File.


(Sandeep Sharma) 18.3.15

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