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: May, 2023

To The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Ecology and Environment Deptt., Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

Sub: Diversion of 15.981 ha of forest land in RM Block & other villages for Approach Road, Downhill Pipe Line Conveyer and Feed & Transfer Point area for Rama Iron Ore Mine (ML. No. 2621) in favour of M/s. JSW Steel Ltd., Vijaynagar works Bellary in Bellary District of Karnataka. (Online proposal No. FP/KA/Others/27780/2017). –regarding

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Karnataka's letters No. FEE 33 FFM dated 14th June, 2022 and 15th March, 2023 forwarding the compliance report w.r.t. the above mentioned subject in response to Stage-I approval letter dt 31.12.2018 and seeking stage-II/final approval. It was further informed that the CA land identified earlier by the user agency could not be registered because of certain issues and an alternative non-forest land is identified over an extent of 27-17 acre gunte (10.29 ha) in Sy No. 139 and 21.26 acre gunte (8.76 ha) in Sy No. 143 at Halbhavi village, Lingasuguru Taluk, Raichuru District with a request to accept the newly identified CA land.

- 2. In this connection, I am directed to say that the proposal said proposal has been examined by the Advisory Committee (AC). After careful consideration of the proposal of the Government of Karnataka and on the basis of the recommendations of the Advisory Committee (AC), the Central Government hereby accepts the revised CA land identified over an extent of 27-17 acre gunte (10.29 ha) in Sy No. 139 and 21.26 acre gunte (8.76 ha) in Sy No. 143 at Halbhavi village, Lingasuguru Taluk, Raichuru District.
- 3. In view of above the State Govt. is requested to submit the RTC and Mutation Certificate of the said land in favor of forest Department for further consideration of the proposal for grant of stage-II/ final approval.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority

Yours faithfully.

Sd/-

(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.

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- 3. The Nodal Office (FCA) Forest Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
- 4. User Agency.
- 5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi, for uploading.