

Reminder-II

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Aliganj, Jor Bag Road,
New Delhi - 110003.

Dated: 10th July, 2023

To
The Addl. Chief Secretary (Forests),
Government of Odisha,
Bhubaneswar

Sub: Proposal for seeking prior approval of the Central Government under Section 2 (ii) of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 in favour of M/s Rungta Mines Ltd. for non-forestry use of 156.978 ha of forest land (147.803 ha in Bonai Forest Division & 9.175 ha in Keonjhar Forest Division) for Iron Ore Mining and ancillary activities with in Jumka Pathiriposhi Pahar Iron Ore Block under Forest Division and District Sundergarh and Keonjhar of Odisha State-reg. (Online proposal No. FP/OR/MIN/150048/2021)

Respected Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Ministry's letter dated 29.03.2023 and reminder letter dated 26.06.2023 (copy enclosed) regarding on the above mentioned subject, seeking prior approval of the Central Government under section 2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 and to say that after examination of proposal the Ministry vide said letter has requested to submit certain information/documents. The same is still awaited.

In view of the above, the State Government is again requested to submit the information/documents , as indicated above, to this Ministry within one week for further consideration of the proposal.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Surabhi Rai)

Dy. Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:

- i. PCCF (HoFF), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
- ii. DDGF (Central), Integrated Regional Office of the MoEF&CC at Bhubaneswar.
- iii. APCCF cum Nodal Officer (FCA), Government of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.
- iv. User Agency
- v. Monitoring Cell of FC Divisions, MoEF&CC, New Delhi.