

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

Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
New Delhi: 1100 03,
Dated: 16th July, 2021

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

Sub: Proposal for diversion of 100.282 ha of forest land in Bedara Bommanahalli Village Sy. No.5, Hirekandavadi Village Sy. No.107, Megalahalli Village Sy. No.21, Hireguntanuru Hobli, Chitradurga Taluk and Marijogihalli Village Sy. No. 18, B. Durga Hobli Holalkere Taluk in Chitradurga District for Mining, Approach Roads and other ancillary purpose in existing BBH Iron Ore Mine (expired ML No.2346 of M/s Mineral Enterprises Limited) in favour of M/s JSW Steel Limited (New ML No.0014), Vidyanagara, Sandur Taluk, Ballari District (Successful Bidder in e-auction). (Online proposal No. FP/KA/MIN/44773/2020) .-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Karnataka's letter No. FEE 11 FFM 2021 (e) dated 29th May, 2021 on the above mentioned subject seeking prior approval of the Central Government in accordance with Section-2 of the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Before considering the proposal the State Govt. is requested to kindly provide

- i. The status, details and KML files of the Compensatory Afforestation land which was handed over by the old lessee i.e. **M/s. Mineral Enterprises Limited.**
- ii. The State govt. is also requested to fill up the performa for verification of deposits in CAMPA by old lessee (Performa enclosed).

In view of the above, the State Government is requested to submit the information as indicated above, to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal.

Enclosed: As Above

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-
(Sandeep Sharma)
Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Government of Karnataka,

Bangalore.

2. The Nodal Officer, FCA, Forest Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.
3. The Regional Officer, Integrated Regional Office, Bangalore.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi.