

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

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New Delhi: 1100 03,
Dated: 4th July, 2023

To,
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Deptt.,
Government of Telangana,
Hyderabad.

Sub: Proposal for 2nd Renewal of Tandur mining lease for diversion of Reduced Area of 1427.22 ha. (Originally proposed area 4902 ha) forest land for Open Cast / Underground Coal Mining in favour of M/s. Singareni Colliers Company Limited (SCCL) Bellampally Forest Division of Adilabad Circle, Adilabad district, Telangana. - (Online Proposal No. FP/TG/MIN/8109/2010). - reg.,

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Telangana's letter No.3114/For.I(1)/2014 dated 30th May, 2023 on the above subject forwarding a report on the compliance of conditions stipulated in the Stage-I approval dated 12.12.2018 and to say that examination of the said compliance report in the Ministry revealed following shortcomings: -

- i. All the undertakings and other documents as mentioned in the compliance report (submitted vide State Govt. vide letter dt 30.05.2023) as annexures is not received in the Ministry. The incomplete compliance without annexures has been received in the Ministry. Therefore, the State Govt. shall submit the complete compliance report once again along with all the annexures and other documents for further analysis in the Ministry.
- ii. The State Govt. is requested to submit the action taken report wrt the area of 409.510 ha. under encroachment as informed.
- iii. The approved revised mining plan for 1427.22 ha. as per condition no. 3 of stage-I approval letter is not submitted by the State Govt. and the same is required before Stage-II approval.
- iv. As per condition no. 5 of stage-I approval letter, the State Govt. has not submitted a copy of the DGPS maps for 1427.22 ha of forest land. Further the State Govt. is also requested submit the updated status wrt demarcating the forest land.
- v. The user agency shall demarcate the encroached area i.e. 688.44 ha. of forest land on the DGPS map. The copy of the DGPS is not submitted with the compliance report. The same requires submission.
- vi. The copy of Sol topo-sheet map of 1:50,000 for the purpose of CA clearly depicted on the map is not submitted and the same requires submission.
- vii. The State Govt. has not submitted the complete compliance of FRA, 2006

with the all supporting documents.

- viii. The period of lease and valid lease documents as condition no. 36 of Stage-I approval letter is not submitted by the State Govt. The same requires submission.
- ix. As per condition no. 27, the demarcation of lease area with the boundary pillars is not done yet. The same need to be complied.
- x. As per condition no. 22, the State Govt. has not submitted the detailed plan for desilting of identified ponds and water bodies to be prepared in consultation with forest department. The same requires submission.
- xi. As per condition no. 19, the State Govt. is requested to forward the detail scheme wrt safety zone to this Ministry.
- xii. The State Govt. may offer its comments whether the CA Plantation is possible as per the old Scheme as the wage rates and other applicable schedule of rates for various activities might have been changed. Accordingly, the State Govt. may submit a revised CA Scheme if required.
- xiii. The State Govt. may offer its comments whether any plantation activities has been carried out in the DFL CA land identified for the instant proposal in the intervening period.
- xiv. The State Govt. is requested to offer its comments whether the Safety Zone is accordance with Chapter 7, para 7.9 of this Ministry's Comprehensive Guidelines issued in 2019. The State Govt. is also requested to submit the KML files of the safety zone and 1.5 times plantation area.
- xv. The State Govt. is requested to submit the KML files of the area proposed for diversion and the DFL land identified for CA purpose.
- xvi. As per condition no. 16, the State Govt. has not submitted the land surrender schedule for surrender of the mined out and biologically reclaimed forest land in accordance with the existing mine plan and progressive mine closure plan and an undertaking to this extent. The land surrender schedule and undertaking in this regard requires submission.

In view of the above, the Government of Telangana is requested to furnish the above mentioned information/documents to this Ministry for further consideration of the proposal for grant of Stage-II approval.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Dr. Dheeraj Mittal)

Assistant Inspector General of Forests

Copy to: -

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Department of Forest, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
2. The Nodal Officer, (FCA), Department of Forest, Government of Telangana, Hyderabad.
3. The DDGF(C), Sub-office, Hyderabad, MoEF&CC.
4. User Agency.
5. Monitoring Cell, FC Division, MoEF & CC, New Delhi, for uploading.